

# GNSS Antenna Accessories

Compatible with the SyncServer S600/S650 and TimeProvider 4100 Series

## Outdoor Antenna Basics

Antenna cables and accessories enable versatile solutions that are easy to achieve. Inline GNSS amplifiers installed at the antenna are an easy way to extend cable runs from 225 feet to up to 900 feet, depending on cable type. Lightning arrestors provide valuable electrical shock protection to the downstream equipment. Antenna cable splitters leverage a single antenna and cable for up to four GNSS receivers.

Ordering antenna components is a simple task. The most important thing you need to have is a rough idea of the total cable length needed between the SyncServer/TimeProvider and the mounting location of the antenna. Any extra cable can be coiled to the side.

Pre-configured kits that include cable, antenna, and related mounting accessories are available. These kits vary by total cable length, and are based on whether a lightning arrestor is required or not. For long cable runs (>225 feet), the components are assembled individually.


To assist and simplify configurations up to 900 ft., Microchip has included an Excel-based antenna configurator on the website. The configurator helps you determine the exact part numbers needed for the desired cable length and accessories.

**Important:** The antenna kit (part number 093-15202-001) includes a short adapter cable with BNC(m)-N(f) connectors. All primary antenna cables use N(m) connectors on either end. A single cable must be used between the adapter cable and the next accessory (lightning arrestor, inline amplifier, or antenna). Lightning arrestors include a 25-foot cable to connect to the next accessory (inline amplifier or antenna).


## Very Long Antenna Cables or Electrical Isolation

For very long antenna cable runs or for electrical isolation and protection from the outside environment, GNSS-over-Fiber links are very useful. Microchip offers a GNSS-over-Fiber link that can transmit the GPS/Galileo/GLONASS/BeiDou signals up to 6.2 miles (10,000 Km) over single mode fiber. The drop-in, intermediate link solution works with the standard Microchip antennas and accessories used to link the receiver to the antenna.


50-225 ft.  
Standard cable



225-450 ft.  
Standard cable +  
Inline Amplifier



450-900 ft.  
Low loss cable +  
Inline Amplifier



50 ft. – 6.2 Miles  
Inline GPS over Fiber Link



## GPS/Galileo/GLONASS Antenna

The standard antenna used with the SyncServer S600/S650 and TimeProvider4100 is a high-gain (40 dB) GNSS antenna covering the GPS L1, Galileo E1, GLONASS L1, and SBAS (WAAS, EGNOS, QZSS and MSAS) frequency band (1575 MHz to 1606 MHz). The antenna has a three-stage low-noise amplifier, with a mid-section SAW with a tight pre-filter to protect against saturation by high-level sub-harmonics and L-Band signals, making it excellent for timing applications. An L-bracket for pole mounting and 3-foot BNC(m) to N(f) cable is also included.



### Technical

Specification	Value
1 dB bandwidth	31 MHz
Antenna gain	4.5 dBic
Axial ratio	<4 dB at 1590 MHz, 8 dB typical at band-edges
Filtered LNA frequency bandwidth	1575 MHz to 1606 MHz
Gain	40 dB minimum flatness $\pm 2$ dB, 1575 MHz to 1606 MHz

### Out-of-Band Rejection

Specification	Value
<1550 MHz	>50 dB
>1640 MHz	>70 dB
VSWR (at LNA output)	<1.5:1
Noise figure	2.5 dB typical
Supply voltage range	2.5 Vdc to 16 Vdc nominal (12 Vdc recommended maximum)
Supply current	20 mA maximum at 85 °C
Mechanical size	66.5 mm diameter $\times$ 21 mm height
Operating temp.	-40 °C to 85 °C
Weight	150 g
Environmental	IP67, CE, REACH, and RoHS-compliant
Salt fog/spray	MIL-STD-810F Section 509.4

## GPS/Galileo/GLONASS/BeiDou Antenna

This wide-band antenna is a precision high-gain GNSS antenna covering the BeiDou B1, Galileo E1, GPS L1, GLONASS L1, and SBAS (WAAS, EGNOS, QZSS, and MSAS) frequency band (1557 MHz to 1606 MHz). It provides very circular polarized signal reception through the entire bandwidth of the antenna, thereby providing superior multipath signal rejection. The antenna has a three-stage low noise amplifier, comprised of one input LNA per feed, a mid section SAW to filter the combined output, and a final output gain stage. An additional pre-filter provides extra strong protection from near frequency and strong harmonic signals. An L-bracket for pole mounting and 3-foot BNC(m) to N(f) cable is also included.



### Technical

Specification	Value
2 dB bandwidth	47 MHz
Antenna gain (with 100 mm ground plane)	4.25 dBic
Axial ratio	<2 dB typical, 3 dB max
Filtered LNA frequency bandwidth	1559 MHz to 1606 MHz
Gain	40 dB minimum

### Out-of-Band Rejection

Specification	Value
<1500 MHz	>50 dB
>1640 MHz	>70 dB
VSWR (at LNA output)	<1.5:1
Noise figure	3 dB typical
Supply voltage range	2.5 Vdc to 16 Vdc nominal (12 Vdc recommended maximum)
Supply current	19 mA maximum at 85 °C
Mechanical size	66.5 mm diameter $\times$ 21 mm height
Operating temp.	-40 °C to 85 °C
Weight	150 g
Environmental	IP67, CE, REACH, and RoHS-compliant
Salt fog/spray	MIL-STD-810F Section 509.4

## GNSS Inline Amplifier

Cable length is a common cause for signal loss between the GNSS antenna and the GNSS receiver. As with any electromagnetic radio wave, GNSS signals become attenuated as they pass through an electrical cable. The amount of signal loss depends on the length and type of cable used. The inline amplifier attaches the antenna and the antenna cable. It uses the same power as the antenna and does not require extra wiring.

### Features

- Extended cable length up to 900 ft depending on the cable type
- Fits inline with antenna cable
- No external power source needed
- Simple installation



### Electrical

Specification	Value
Nominal gain	25 dB 4/0 dB typical
Pass band ripple	±2 dB
Impedance	50 Ω
Noise figure	2 dB typical
Bandwidth	1.2 GHz to 1.8 GHz
Input VSWR	1.5 typical/2 maximum
Output VSWR	1.5 typical/2 maximum
Reverse isolation	>35 dB
Output 1 dB	-10 dB
Output IP3	5 dBm

### Mechanical and Environmental

Specification	Value
Mechanical size	2.32 in. length x 0.787 in. diameter
Connector	N-Type
Operating temp.	Range -40 °C to 85 °C
Environmental	RoHS, REACH, and IP67

## GNSS Lightning Arrestor

Lightning does not have to strike the antenna to significantly damage the antenna or the GNSS receiver. Damage is often due to the effects of a lightning strike on a nearby structure, not a direct strike on the antenna itself. Since lightning strikes may induce damaging voltages in the antenna system when striking nearby objects, attempt to locate the antenna away from lightning rods, towers, and other structures that attract lightning. Also, locate the GNSS antenna lower than any nearby structures that are likely to attract a strike.



### Technical

Specification	Value
Type	DC pass
Mount type	Bulkhead mount
PIM rated	N
Standards	CE-compliant, RoHS-compliant
Connector	N
Surge side connector	Bi-directional N
Protected side connector	Bi-directional N
Frequency range	dc to 5 GHz
Turn on voltage	150 Vdc (spark over)
RF power	25 W
VSWR	≤1.2 dB to 1
Insertion loss	≤0.1 dB
Protocol/application	Gas tube, DC pass RF coaxial protection for dc to 5 GHz

The lightning arrestor also ships with 25 ft of either standard or low-loss cable.

## GPS L1 4:1 Active Splitter

The Microchip Active Splitter allows multiple GPS receivers to share a single antenna. Designed for both manufacturing and position/timing redundancy applications, the GPS L1 Active Splitter provides dependable signals for four GPS receivers.

### Features

- Four ports
- High isolation

### Benefits

- Cascades conveniently without adding separate amplifiers and bias-tees between splitters
- Delivers precise GPS signals over a wide temperature range and in harsh environmental conditions
- Eliminates feedback and interaction between any GPS system connected to it



### Technical

Specification	Value
Number of output ports	4
Input/output impedance	50 Ω
VSWR (typical)	Input and output 1.6 at L1
Bandwidth (-3 dB)	L1 (1575.42 MHz) ±20 MHz
Gain (antenna input to any output at L1)	0 dB ±3 dB
Noise figure	5 dB typical, at 25 °C
Port-to-port isolation L1 ±40 MHz	50 dB typical
DC power	4.5 V <sub>DC</sub> to 13 V <sub>DC</sub>
Damage threshold	18 V <sub>DC</sub> either polarity
Operating current	23 mA to 48 mA, depending on voltage
Pass-through current	450 mA
Group delay	40 ns typical
RF connectors	Female N-type
RoHS 6/6	Not compliant

Complete specifications for this Microchip model 58536A GPS Splitter can be found on the Microchip website.

## GPS/Galileo/GLONASS/BeiDou Splitter

This L band frequency, RoHS-compliant 4:1 active splitter makes it possible to use a single GNSS referencing antenna and cable arrangement for multiple synchronization systems. The antenna DC bias select circuit allows for the active antenna DC input to power the antenna while other inputs will be switched to DC loads. If the selected DC bias input should fail, the DC bias will automatically switch to another DC input to ensure an uninterrupted supply to the active antenna.

### Features

- Four ports
- GPS/Galileo/GLONASS/Beidou compatible

### Benefits

- Amplified to offset splitter losses
- Standard antenna DC bias select
- Cascades conveniently without adding separate amplifiers and bias-tees between splitters



### Technical

Specification	Value
Number of output ports	4
Input/output impedance	50 Ω
Frequency range	1 GHz to 2 GHz
Noise figure	2 dB max
Port-to-port isolation	30 dB-40 dB
DC power	3.3 V <sub>DC</sub> to 12 V <sub>DC</sub>
Operating current	18 mA to 20 mA
Pass through current	250 mA
Group delay, L1	5 ns
RF connectors	Female N-type
RoHS 6/6	Compliant
Gain	0 dB ±2 dB

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## GNSS-Over-Fiber Kit

Receiver Adapter Cable	Receiver FOL Module	Fiber Bench Cable	Transmitter FOL Module	Antenna Adapter Cable	Lightning Arrestor Adapter Cable
<b>BNC(M) – SMA(M)</b> 1 meter LMR 240 or equivalent	<b>SMA(F) – SC/APC</b> External PSU with multi-connector PSU power cord with U.S. connector	<b>SC/APC – SC/APC</b> 3 meters	<b>SC/APC – SMA(F)</b> External PSU with multi-connector PSU power cord with U.S. connector	<b>SMA(M) – N(F)</b> 1 meter LMR 240 or equivalent	<b>N(M) – N (M)</b> 1 foot LMR 240 or equivalent (this is used if lighting arrestor is deployed)



The GNSS-over-Fiber kit is composed of an RF-to-fiber transmitter, a Fiber-to-RF receiver, two external power supplies, and four adapter cables. The fiber cable provided is a 3 meter long cable for bench testing if desired.

The receiver adapter cable and fiber optic receiver connect directly to the SyncServer/TimeProvider 4100. The fiber optic transmitter and antenna adapter cable connect directly to the outside antenna cable. The user must provide the single mode 1310 nm cable with SC/APC connectors between the transmitter and the receiver. Maximum length of the fiber cable is 10 kilometers. This solution will work with up to 200 feet of LMR-240 cable between the transmitter and the Microchip supplied GNSS antenna. This solution is electrically matched to only work with Microchip supplied antennas and cable types.

## Specifications

### Electrical

- Transmitter Power Consumption: 1.9W
- Receiver Power Consumption: 1.3W
- Flange mounting PSU with OEM connector: 90-264V, 50/60 Hz, 2 Pin IEC connector

### Physical

- Receiver/Transmitter Dimensions: 89 x 46 x 20 mm
- Weight: 130g/each
- RF Connector: SMA(F)
- Fiber connector: SC/APC
- Fiber compatibility: Single mode 1310nm
- Maximum fiber length: 10 kilometers

### Environmental

- Operating Temperature: -10°C to +50°C
- Humidity: 0-95% non-condensing
- Cooling: Convection

Not suitable for outdoor installation unless mounted in appropriate enclosure.

### Certification

- FCC, CE, RoHS

### Product Includes

- One BNC(M)–SMA(M) cable, 1 meter LMR 240 or equivalent
- One SMA(F)-SC/APC Fiber to RF Receiver
- Two External Power Supply Units with mounting brackets and power cords (North American NEMA 1 Type A connector).
- One SC/APC-SC/APC fiber cable, 3 meters
- One SMA(F)-SC/APC RF to Fiber Transmitter
- One SMA(M)–N(F) cable, 1 meter LMR 240 or equivalent
- One N(M)-N(M) cable, 1 foot LMR 240 or equivalent (used if lighting arrestor is deployed)

## Antenna Kits and Components\*

Description	Part Number
Kit: Total length: 50 ft, cable: 50 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-050
Kit: Total length: 75 ft, cable: 50 ft; lightning arrestor; cable: 25 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-075
Kit: Total length: 100 ft, cable: 100 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-100
Kit: Total length: 125 ft, cable: 100 ft; lightning arrestor; cable: 25 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-125
Kit: Total length: 150 ft, cable: 150 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-150
Kit: Total length: 175 ft, cable: 150 ft; lightning arrestor; cable: 25 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-175
Kit: Total length: 200 ft, cable: 200 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-200
Kit: Total length: 225 ft, cable: 200 ft; lightning arrestor; cable: 25 ft; GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna kit	990-15202-225
250 ft antenna cable	060-15202-250
350 ft antenna cable	060-15202-350
450 ft antenna cable	060-15202-450
500 ft low-loss antenna cable	060-15202-500
750 ft low-loss antenna cable	060-15202-750
900 ft low-loss antenna cable	060-15202-900
Kit: GPS/Galileo/GLONASS antenna; mounting bracket; adapter cable for chassis	093-15202-001
Kit: GPS/Galileo/GLONASS/BeiDou antenna; mounting bracket; adapter cable for chassis	093-15202-006
Inline amplifier with adapter	093-15202-005
Kit: Lightning arrestor with 25 ft cable	093-15202-002
Kit: Lightning arrestor with 25 ft low-loss cable	093-15202-003
Kit: 1:4 GPS splitter with two 3 ft cables	093-15202-004
Kit: GPS/Galileo/GLONASS/BeiDou 1:4 splitter with two 3 ft cables	093-15202-007
Kit: GNSS-Over-Fiber with RF-to-fiber transmitter; Fiber-to-RF receiver; 2 power supplies; 4 adapter cables, including a 3 meter fiber cable for bench testing.	093-15203-001

\*Note: All antenna specifications are for the standard S600/S650 and TimeProvider 4100 L1/E1/10F and B1 frequency class models. For antenna and cable information pertaining to the L1/L2 S650 SAASM model, contact Microchip for details.

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