

ASTRONICS
TEST SYSTEMS

R8600 Radio Test Hub

The R8600 Radio Test Hub is designed to meet the demanding requirements of RF production environments. Able to withstand 150 Watts of continuous RF power input, the R8600 was explicitly engineered to provide a cost-effective solution for 24/7 manufacturing use. Once deployed, it requires minimal operator intervention beyond making the physical RF connections.

The Radio Test Hub provides reliable, cost-effective, easy-to-operate testing for manufacturers of LMR radios and other RF devices. It is also ideal for other customers with intense automated testing requirements.



General

Display Average Noise

- Level (DANL): -140 dBm (50 Ohm input termination)
- Dynamic Range: 80 dB
- Input Related Spurious: -60 dBc max
- Residual Spurious (non-input related): -70 dBm

Power

- DC Power Requirements: 15-16 VDC @ 8.0 A max
- AC Adapter Specs: 100-240 VAC, 2.5 A max, 50-60 Hz

Mechanical/Environmental

- Weight: Dimensions: 16 lbs
- Dimension: 6.34" (16.1 cm) H, 8.82" (22.4 cm) W, 16.14" (41 cm) D
- Operating Altitude: Up to 10,000 ft (3048 m)
- Humidity: 80% maximum relative humidity
- Operating Temperature: 0° to 50° C
- Storage Temperature: -30 to +80° C

Warranty

- Standard Warranty: Two years
- Three Year Service Plan: Optional
- Five Year Service Plan: Optional

Generator (Receiver Test)

- Port Protection Limit: 5 W for 30 seconds
- Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 1 GHz (250 kHz to 1 GHz typical); Optional to 3 GHz
- Extended Frequency Range (Optional): 1 MHz to 3 GHz (250 kHz to 3 GHz typical)
- Frequency Resolution: 1 Hz

Output Level Generate Port

- Range FM: +5 dBm to -95 dBm below 2 GHz; -5 dBm to -95 dBm above 2 GHz
- Range AM: -1 dBm to -95 dBm below 2 GHz; -11 dBm to -95 dBm above 2 GHz
- Resolution: 0.1 dB
- Accuracy: ± 2 dB

OPERATING DISPLAY MODES

- AM/FM Duplex Monitor and Generator
- Audio Synthesizer
- Tracking Generator (Opt.)
- Dual Display (Opt.)
- Cable Fault Locator (Opt.)
- Spectrum Analyzer
- Frequency Counter
- Frequency Error Meter
- Digital Voltmeter
- Power Meter
- Oscilloscope
- Signal Strength Meter
- SINAD/Distortion Meter

Output Level RF I/O Port

- Range FM: -30 dBm to -130 dBm below 2 GHz; -40 dBm to -130 dBm above 2 GHz
- Range AM: -36 dBm to -130 dBm below 2 GHz; -46 dBm to -130 dBm above 2 GHz
- Resolution: 0.1 dB
- Accuracy: ± 1 dB to 1 GHz ; ± 2 dB > 1 GHz

Spectral Purity

- Harmonic Spurious: -20 dBc max
- Non-Harmonic Spurious: -35 dBc max; <-30 dBc at mixing product frequencies (3227 MHz - Carrier)
- Residual FM: 4 Hz, 300 Hz to 3 kHz (<1 GHz); 5 Hz, 300 Hz to 3 kHz (> 1 GHz)
- Residual AM: 1.0% max, 300 Hz to 3 kHz
- SSB Phase Noise (20 kHz Offset): -95 dBc/Hz max below 1 GHz (15° to 35° C); -93 dBc/Hz max all frequencies (0° to 50 °C)

FM Modulation

- Deviation Range: 0 to 75 kHz
- Deviation Resolution: 1 Hz
- Deviation Accuracy: 5% of setting
- RF Output Frequency Range: 0 to 40 kHz
- Modulation Output Frequency Range: 0 to 20 kHz
- RF Output Modulation Bandwidth: DC to 100 kHz
- Modulation Output Bandwidth: 5 Hz to 20 kHz
- IF Bandwidth: > 200 kHz
- Pre-emphasis: 750 μ s (selectable)

AM Modulation

- Deviation Range: 0 to 90% (AM Depth)
- Deviation Resolution: 1%
- Deviation Accuracy: 5% of setting
- RF Output Modulation Frequency Range: 0 to 40 kHz
- Modulation Output Frequency Range: 0 to 20 kHz

- RF Output Bandwidth: DC to 100 kHz
- Modulation Output Bandwidth: 5 Hz to 20 kHz
- IF Bandwidth: > 200 kHz

SSB-AM (USB or LSB) Modulation

- AM Depth Range: 0 to 90 %
- Depth Resolution: 1 %
- Modulation Bandwidth: 300 Hz to 20 kHz

Receiver (Transmitter Test)

- Frequency Range: 250 kHz – 1 GHz (3 GHz optional)

Sensitivity

- Narrowband FM: 2.0 μ V for 10 dB EIA SINAD
- Wideband FM: 10 μ V for 10 dB EIA SINAD
- AM: 10 μ V for 10 dB EIA SINAD

RF I/O Port

- VSWR: < 1.2 to 2 GHz, $\leq$ 1.5 to 3 GHz
- Max Power:
 - » 150 W Max and Continuous
- Absolute Max Power: 150 W
- Alarm: Internal temperature alarm

Antenna Port

- Maximum Power: 0 dBm
- Alarm: +10 dBm

IF Filters

- 6.25 kHz, 12.5 kHz, 25 kHz, 50 kHz, 100 kHz, 200 kHz

Frequency Error Measurement

- Type of Display: Autoranging
- Resolution: 1 Hz

FM Deviation Measurement

- Demodulation Range: Up to ± 75 kHz
- Accuracy: ± 5 % plus residual FM

- Frequency Response - Selectable per the following:

- » Low Pass Filters: 300 Hz, 3 kHz, 20 kHz
- » High Pass Filters: 1 Hz, 300 Hz, 3 kHz

DEMODO Hardware Characteristics

- Demodulation Output Level:
 - » 6.25 kHz B/W: 2.56 V / 1 kHz
 - » 12.5 kHz B/W: 1.28 V / 1 kHz
 - » 25 kHz B/W: 0.64 V / 1 kHz
 - » 50 kHz B/W: 0.32 V / 1 kHz
 - » 100 kHz B/W: 1.6 V / 10 kHz
 - » 200 kHz B/W: 0.8 V / 10 kHz
- Demodulation Output Amplitude Flatness: ± 0.2 dB (300 Hz to 3 kHz), 1 dB point @ 20 kHz
- Demodulation Output Impedance: 100 ohms nominal

Audio Weighting Filters

- Filters: none, C-message, CCITT
- De-emphasis (selectable): 750 μ s

AM Modulation Measurements

- Demodulation Range: 0 to 100%
- Accuracy: ± 5 % for levels below 80%
- Frequency Response - Selectable per the following:
 - » Demodulation Output Level: Low Pass Filters: 300 Hz, 3 kHz, 20 kHz / High Pass Filters: 1 Hz, 300 Hz, 3 kHz
 - » Demodulation Output Amplitude Flatness: 0.8 V peak per 10% AM Modulation
- Output Impedance: ± 0.2 dB (300 Hz to 3 kHz), 1 dB point @ 20 kHz 100 ohms nominal
- SSB Sideband Suppression: >70 dB

Receive Signal Strength Meter

- Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 1 GHz (250 kHz to 1 GHz typical); Optional to 3 GHz
- Accuracy: ± 2 dB
- Sensitivity: -120 dBm (Antenna Port; Preamplifier on; 6.25 kHz IF B/W)

Broadband Power Meter (RF In/Out Port)

- Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 1 GHz (250 kHz to 1 GHz typical); Optional to 3 GHz
- Measurement Range: 0.1 W to 150 W
- Input Impedance: 50 Ohms
- Accuracy: $\pm 10\%$ (2 KHz - 1 GHz); $\pm 10\%$ (1 GHz - 3 GHz <2.5 W)
- Protection: Over temperature alarms

Frequency Counter

- Frequency Range: 5 Hz to 100 kHz
- Period Counter Range: 5 Hz to 20 kHz
- Input Level: 0.1 V rms min

SINAD METER

- Accuracy: ± 1 dB @ 12 dB SINAD
- Input Level: 0.1 V rms min
- Frequency Range: 300 Hz to 10 kHz
- Reading Range: 0 to 40 dB
- Resolution: 0.01 dB

Distortion METER

- Reading Range: 0.00% to 100%
- Distortion Accuracy: The greater of $\pm 0.5\%$ of distortion or $\pm 10\%$ of reading
- Input Level: ± 0.1 V rms min
- Frequency Range: 300 Hz to 10 kHz
- Resolution: 0.01%

Optional Modes

- DMR (MOTOTRBO™), dPMR, NDXN (Conventional and Type-C Trunking), P25 Phase 1 (Conventional and Trunking), P25 Phase 2, PTC (ITCR), PTC (ACSES), TETRA DMO, TETRA TMO, TETRA Base Station Monitoring, TETRA Base Station T1

Spectrum Analyzer

Sweep

- Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 1 GHz (250 kHz to 1 GHz typical); Optional to 3 GHz
- Frequency Resolution: 1 Hz
- Span Accuracy: 5%
- Update Rate: ~10 times per second (depending on span)

Amplitude

- Level Accuracy: ± 2 dB
- Scales (dB/div): 10 (1,2, & 5 w/ESA option)
- Log Linearity Accuracy: <0.1 dB
- Reference Level Resolution: 1 dB
- Reference Level Range: +60 to -70 dB
- T/R Port Dynamic Range: 80 dB
- Typical Noise Floor Performance: -140 dBm
- SSB Phase Noise (20 kHz Offset):
 - » -95 dBc/Hz max below 1 GHz (15° to 35° C)
 - » -93 dBc/Hz max all frequencies (0° to 50° C)
- Resolution Bandwidth: Auto Selected
- Harmonic Spurious (Antenna Port, No Attenuation): -20 dBc max
- Non-Harmonic Spurious (Antenna Port, No Attenuation): -60 dBc max
- Residual Spurious (Input Terminated): -70 dBm
- Markers: Delta, Absolute, and Frequency
- Modes: Standard, Average, Freeze, Max Hold, and Peak Hold

Oscilloscope

Vertical Input

- Input Impedance: 1 Meg Ohm / 600 Ohm (Selectable)
- Range: ± 70 VDC, ± 33 Vrms AC / ± 24 VDC, ± 15 Vrms AC
- Accuracy: 5% of full scale
- Bandwidth: 0 to 50 kHz

Horizontal Sweep

- Range: 20 uSec to 1 Sec / div. (Selectable)

Trigger Selection

- Normal, Auto (Free Running), Single Sweep and Freeze

Special Functions

- Markers: Absolute Voltage, Delta Voltage, Delta Frequency and Delta Period

Audio Modulation Synthesizer

- Modulation Types: 1 kHz tone, Standard formats (Private Line, Digital Private Line, DPL Invert, Two-Tone Paging, 5/6 Tone Paging, POCSAG, EURO Tones, or User Defined Tone Sequences), Tone A, Tone B, Tone C (RF Output), DTMF, and external inputs from both a supplied microphone and BNC connector
- Modulation Output Level: ± 8 V peak (± 16 /BW V/kHz FM, ± 0.08 V/% AM)
- Amplitude Flatness: ± 0.2 dB (300 Hz to 3 kHz), 1 dB point @ 20 kHz
- 1 kHz Tone Distortion: Not to exceed 1% THD
- Impedance: 100 Ohms
- Modulation Input Level: ± 1 V peak reference
- Amplitude Flatness: ± 0.2 dB (300 Hz to 3 kHz), 1 dB point @ 20 kHz
- Impedance: 600 Ohms
- Microphone Input Amplitude Flatness: ± 0.2 dB (300 Hz to 3 kHz), 1 dB point @ 20 kHz

Tracking Generator

- Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 1 GHz (250 kHz to 1 GHz typical); Optional to 3 GHz

Digital Voltmeter (DVM)

- Input Impedance: 1 Meg Ohm / 600 Ohm (Selectable)
- Voltage Range: 1 V, 10 V, 70 V full scale
- Frequency Range: 50 Hz to 20 kHz
- DC Accuracy: 1% full scale ± 1 LSB
- AC Accuracy: 5% full scale ± 1 LSB

Timebase

- Output Frequency: 10 MHz
- Stability: Aging: ± 0.1 ppm / year
Temp.: ± 0.01 ppm
- Output Level: Minimum 0 dBm into 50 Ohms
- Warm Up: 3 minutes: within ± 0.1 ppm

Display

Front Panel Display

- Resolution: 800 x 600
- Size: 8.4" (21.3 cm) Full Color LCD

External Display

- External Display: VGA

Remote Front Panel

- Available over Ethernet

Supplemental Digital Specifications

DMR

FSK Error

- Range: 0 to 10%
- Accuracy (2% to 10%): <5%
- Resolution: 0.01%

Magnitude Error

- Range: 0-5%
- Accuracy: <5% of reading
- Resolution: 0.01%

Symbol Deviation

- Range: 1500 to 2350 Hz
- Accuracy: ± 10 Hz
- Resolution: 0.1 Hz

BER

- Range: 0 to 20%
- Resolution: 0.00001%

NXDN

FSK ERROR

- Range: 0 to 10%
- Accuracy (2% to 10%): <5%
- Resolution: 0.01%

Magnitude Error

- Range: 0-5%
- Accuracy: <5% of reading
- Resolution: 0.01%

Symbol Deviation

- Range:
 - » 840 to 1260 Hz (4800 bps)
 - » 1920 to 2880 Hz (9600 bps)
- Accuracy: ± 10 Hz
- Resolution: 0.1 Hz

BER

- Range: 0 to 20%
- Resolution: 0.00001%

TETRA

EVM (RMS)

- Range: 0 to 20%
- Accuracy (2% to 10%): <10%
- Resolution: 0.10%

Residual Carrier

- Range: 0-10%
- Accuracy: ± 0.1 %
- Resolution: 0.10%

Frequency Error

- Accuracy: ± 500 Hz
- Resolution: 1 Hz

dPMR

FSK ERROR

- Range: 0 to 10%
- Accuracy (2% to 10%): <5%
- Resolution: 0.01%

Magnitude Error

- Range: 0-5%
- Accuracy: <5% of reading
- Resolution: 0.01%

Symbol Deviation

- Range: 1500 to 2350 Hz
- Accuracy: ± 10 Hz
- Resolution: 0.1 Hz

BER

- Range: 0 to 20%
- Resolution: 0.00001%

P25 Measurement Modulation Fidelity

- Range: 0 to 10%
- Resolution: 0.01%
- Accuracy: <5.0% of reading for 2.0 % and higher

Remote Front Panel

Available over Ethernet

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