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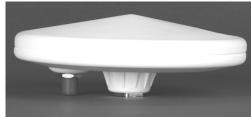






### NovAtel L1 GPSAntenna™ Model 531 Rev 2

User Information –





#### DESCRIPTION

The Model 531 GPSAntenna is intended for surveying and other kinematic positioning applications. The sealed radome allows the antenna to be used in severe weather and hostile environments, and the unit's compact size and light weight ensure its portability.

The Model 531 GPSAntenna is an active antenna designed to operate at the GPS L1 frequency, 1575.42 MHz. The microstrip receiving elements are coupled to filters and a low-noise amplifier (LNA). The unit is optimized to receive right-hand-circularly-polarized signals, and its radiation pattern is shaped to reduce signals arriving at low elevation angles; these features decrease the errors associated with electromagnetic interference and multipath.

Both the input DC power and the output RF signal flow over a single coaxial cable that is connected to the unit's TNC female connector.

The antenna baseplate features a permanent adaptor that accepts a 5/8" x 11 threaded bolt; this allows the antenna to be used on a tripod.

 $\triangle$  **Caution:** overtightening a bolt into the base may damage the base.

# **GPSAntenna Model 531 Rev 2 Technical Specifications**

### - ELECTRICAL -

3 dB pass band: L1:  $1575 \pm 5$  MHz

Out-of-band rejection:  $f_c$  - 50 MHz: 18 dB  $f_c$  + 50 MHz: 56 dB

 $f_c - 100 \text{ MHz}$ : 36 dB  $f_c + 100 \text{ MHz}$ : 44 dB

 $f_c$  - 150 MHz: 45 dB  $f_c$  + 150 MHz: 44 dB

Antenna elev. pattern:  $\theta = 90^{\circ}$ : + 6.8 dBic (typical)

(90° = zenith)  $20^{\circ} \le \theta < 90^{\circ}$ : - 0.7 dBic to 6.8 dBic (typical)

 $5^{\circ} \le \theta < 20^{\circ}$ : - 4.5 dBic to 1.0 dBic (typical)  $0^{\circ} \le \theta < 5^{\circ}$ : - 7.0 dBic to -2.0 dBic (typical)  $\theta = 0^{\circ}$ : - 7.0 dBic to -2.0 dBic (typical)

LNA gain:  $26 \pm 2 \text{ dB}$ 

Polarization: Right-hand circular

Noise figure: 2.2 dB

Axial ratio:  $\theta = 90^{\circ}$ : 2.0 dB max.

(90° = zenith)  $30° \le \theta < 90°$ : 5.0 dB max.

 $15^{\circ} \le \theta < 30^{\circ}$ : 8.0 dB max.  $5^{\circ} \le \theta < 15^{\circ}$ : 11.0 dB max.  $0^{\circ} \le \theta < 5^{\circ}$ : 12.0 dB max.

Nominal impedance:  $50 \Omega$ VSWR:  $\leq 2.0:1$ 

Power requirements:  $\leq 25 \text{ mA } @ + 4.25 \text{ to} + 18.0 \text{ V DC}$ 

18 mA (typical) @ 5.0 V DC

Power handling:  $\leq 1 \text{ W}$ 

### - MECHANICAL & ENVIRONMENTAL -

Finish: Weatherable polymer

Weight:  $\approx 375 \text{ g}$ 

Altitude:  $\leq 3 658 \text{ m } (12,000')$ Temperature:  $-40 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+70 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

## **Mechanical Drawings** PHASE CENTRE 178 (ALIGN TOWARDS NORTH) Top View GROUND PLANE LEVEL (BLUE LINE) 79 MAX PHASE CENTRE L1=51 MM Side View TNC FEMALE PHASE CENTRE LABEL (Illustration only, may change CONNECTOR 5/8 - 11 UNC ADAPTOR NAMEPLATE

 $Note: All\ dimensions\ in\ millimetres\ except\ for\ thread\ size.$