

13.2m Satcom antenna

The Calian 13.2-meter satcom antenna combines high accuracy, high efficiency Cassegrain optics with precision motion control systems to accurately track GEO and MEO satellites. Precision bearings and dual-drives in the azimuth axis ensure the stiff structure necessary for precise tracking in higher frequency systems—such as Ka-band. This design approach combined with advanced manufacturing techniques results in a major step forward in affordable precision antenna design. Several different feeds can be fitted to support your band of operation. Calian's experience in ground station system engineering and integration has been incorporated into making this product better suited to a terminal or gateway application; examples include ease of maintenance for mechanical components and a hub designed to support a higher level of integration.

Specifications

General configuration

Configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dual reflector Cassegrain design 2 axis motion, elevation over azimuth
Main reflector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.2m diameter Precision formed aluminum Surface accuracy below 0.008" RMS
Sub reflector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High accuracy composite Surface accuracy below 0.002" RMS
Hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 10 ft. diameter for RF equipment integration available upon request
Pedestal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of the art cable wrap systems with ample space for customer cables
Optional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Platform with staircase and hoist De-icing system Environmentally controlled hub Adjustable polarization

M&C interface

- Ethernet interface for M&C and user interface
- Full remote operation and monitoring with multiple tracking options
- The antenna can be controlled via the provided computer software application or via a customer interface

Mechanical performance

Pointing accuracy • <0.019°

Tracking accuracy • <0.0029°

Speed • 1°/s in azimuth
• 0.5°/s in elevation

Acceleration • 0.5°/s² in both axes

Travel range • up to 400° (±200°) in azimuth
• 0°–90° in elevation

Drives • Dual torque biased in azimuth
• Precision jack drive in elevation

Power

Drive systems • 380VAC to 480VAC
• 50/60Hz 3-phase

De-icing system • 208/220 3-phase

Auxiliary circuits • 208VAC split phase 60 Hz
• 220VAC single phase 50 Hz (optional)

Feed options

- Supports single, dual, and multi-band feeds, e.g., S to Ka, S/X, C/Ku, X/Ku, X/Ka, Ku/Ka, etc.
- CP and LP Broadband feed options available

Tracking options

- Multiple open and closed loop tracking options include: Program track, NORADTLE, IESS-412,
- Monopulse (optional), Step Track (optional)



Environmental performance

Temperature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational -30 to +60 °C Survival -40 to +70 °C
Seismic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.3g horizontal and vertical
Wind speed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational 72kph (45mph) Gusting up to 100 kph (62 mph) Survival, 200 kph (125 mph) in stow position
Humidity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 to 100% with condensation
Ice accumulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30mm thick on all exposed surfaces
Corrosion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Galvanized ASTM-A123, stainless and galvanized fasteners, multi-layer epoxy-based paint.

Shipping configuration and features

- Modular design to allow for easy shipping in standard containers or crates
- Rapid deployment, assembly, and commissioning at customer site

Ka-band performance

	Rx	Tx
Frequency (GHz)	17.70 - 21.50	27.50 - 31.00
Feed ports	2 + 2 Monopulse	2
Antenna gain	66.9 dBi @21.5 GHz	69.6 dBi @31GHz
Beamwidth @ -3dB	0.08°	0.06°
G/Ts at Clear Sky with 120 K LNA @ 20° Elevation		
17.70 GHz	42.4 dB/K	
19.60 GHz	43.0 dB/K	
21.50 GHz	43.3 dB/K	
Power handling, per port (CW)		650 W
VSWR (Feed interface)	1.25	1.25
Cross pol isolation	32.78 dB	32.78 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Tx, Tx → Rx	85 dB	85 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Rx, Tx → Tx	20 dB	20 dB
Sidelobes	Meets ITU-RS-580-6	Meets ITU-RS-580-6

Ku-band performance

	Rx	Tx
Frequency (GHz)	10.70 - 12.75	12.70 - 14.50
Feed ports	2 + 2 Monopulse	2
Antenna gain	62.6 dBi @12.75 GHz	63.9 dBi @14.50 GHz
Beamwidth @ -3dB	0.14°	0.12°
G/Ts at Clear Sky with 59 K LNA @ 20° Elevation		
10.70 GHz	40.3 dB/K	
11.75 GHz	41.0 dB/K	
12.75 GHz	41.7 dB/K	
Power handling, per port (CW)		1.5 KW
VSWR (Feed interface)	1.25	1.25
Cross pol isolation	35 dB	35 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Tx, Tx → Rx	85 dB	85 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Rx, Tx → Tx	35 dB	35 dB
Sidelobes	Meets ITU-RS-580-6	Meets ITU-RS-580-6

X-band performance

	Rx	Tx
Frequency (GHz)	7.25 - 7.75	7.90 - 8.40
Feed ports	2 + 2 Monopulse	2
Antenna gain	58.4 dBi @7.75 GHz	59.1 dBi @8.40 GHz
Beamwidth @ -3dB	0.22°	0.20°
G/Ts at Clear Sky with 50 K LNA @ 10° Elevation		
7.25 GHz	37.5 dB/K	
7.50 GHz	37.8 dB/K	
7.75 GHz	38.1 dB/K	
Power handling, per port (CW)		2 KW
VSWR (Feed interface)	1.30	1.30
Cross pol isolation	32.78 dB	32.78 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Tx, Tx → Rx	85 dB	85 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Rx, Tx → Tx	18 dB	18 dB
Sidelobes	Meets ITU-RS-580-6	Meets ITU-RS-580-6

C-band performance

	Rx	Tx
Frequency (GHz)	3.400 – 4.200	5.725 – 6.725
Feed ports	2	2
Antenna gain	53.3 dBi @ 4.200 GHz	57.4 dBi @ 6.725 GHz
Beamwidth @ -3dB	0.44°	0.27°
G/Ts at Clear Sky with 30 K LNA @ 20° Elevation		
3.400 GHz	32.3 dB/K	
3.800 GHz	33.3 dB/K	
4.200 GHz	34.1 dB/K	
Power handling, per port (CW)		2.5 KW
VSWR (Feed interface)	1.25	1.25
Cross pol isolation	32.78 dB	32.78 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Tx, Tx → Rx	85 dB	85 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Rx, Tx → Tx	20 dB	20 dB
Sidelobes	Meets ITU-RS-580-6	Meets ITU-RS-580-6

S-band performance

	Rx	Tx
Frequency (GHz)	2.170 – 2.300	1.980 – 2.120
Feed ports	2	2
Antenna gain	48.1 dBi @ 2.300 GHz	47.4 dBi @ 2.120 GHz
Beamwidth @ -3dB	0.74°	0.81°
G/Ts at Clear Sky with 45 K LNA @ 20° Elevation		
2.170 GHz	27.5 dB/K	
2.235 GHz	27.7 dB/K	
2.300 GHz	28.0 dB/K	
Power handling, per port (CW)		5 KW
VSWR (Feed interface)	1.25	1.25
Cross pol isolation	32.78 dB	32.78 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Tx, Tx → Rx	85 dB	85 dB
Port to port isolation Rx → Rx, Tx → Tx	20 dB	20 dB
Sidelobes	Meets ITU-RS-580-6	Meets ITU-RS-580-6

