



AM SERIES

AM series is a family of frequency-agile analog audio/video modulators. AM-60-860, the flag-ship model, is available in NTSC channels 2-135 (54-860 MHz), and the PAL B, G, and I channels in the same frequency range.

More economical models are available in NTSC for the frequency ranges 54-550 MHz, or 54-806 MHz. EAS (Emergency Alert System) is standard on all models. Stereo Audio, SAP (Secondary Audio Programming), and several other optional features are also available.

A "CALM" Solution: When equipped with option 8, the modulator is compatible with the requirements of the CALM Act (Commercial Advertising Loudness Mitigation). Option 8 utilizes an Audio AGC (Automatic Gain Control) solution that is designed to preclude the commercials from being broadcast at louder volumes than the program they accompany. It also reduces the loudness variations that are experienced when changing from one channel to another, or the loudness variations among different programs on the same channel.



ORDERING INFORMATION

Model	Stock #	Description
AM-60-860	59415A	Frequency-agile Audio/Video Modulator, +60 dBmV, 54-860 MHz (NTSC)
AM-60-860-BG	B59415A	Frequency-agile Audio/Video Modulator, +120 dBµV, 47-860 MHz (PAL)
AM-60-806	59419	Frequency-agile Audio/Video Modulator, +60 dBmV, 54-806 MHz (NTSC)
AM-60-550	59416	Frequency-agile Audio/Video Modulator, +60 dBmV, 54-550 MHz (NTSC)
AM-45-550	59404	Frequency-agile Audio/Video Modulator, +45 dBmV, 54-550 MHz (NTSC)

OPTIONS

AM-OPT-02 BNC Video Input Connector

AM-OPT-05 Integrated BTSC Stereo Audio

AM-OPT-07 Video AGC

RELATED PRODUCTS

Model	Description
AMCM	Frequency-agile Audio/Video modulator, +45 dBmV, 54-860 MHz (NTSC & PAL), Twelve modulators in 2RU
ACM	Frequency-agile Audio/Video modulator, +45 dBmV, 54-806 MHz (NTSC only), Twelve modulators in 2RU
CAMS	Fixed-channel Audio/Video modulator, +60 dBmV, 54-860 MHz (NTSC only), 1RU
MAVM	Fixed-channel Audio/Video modulator, +60 dBmV, 54-860 MHz (NTSC only), 1RU
MICM	Fixed-channel Audio/Video modulator, +45 dBmV, 54-806 MHz (NTSC & PAL), Twelve modulators in 2RU
MUCH	Tixed-chammer Audio/ video modulator, +45 dbmv, 54-800 mmz (Wisc & FAL), Twelve modulators in 210

SPECIFICATIONS

NPUT		OUTPUT	
Connector		Connector:	"F" Female
Standard: Option 2:	"F" Female BNC Female	Impedance:	75 Ω
mpedance:	75Ω	Return Loss:	12 dB
Return Loss:	18 dB	Frequency Range	
/ideo Input Level		AM-60-860 Model:	54 to 860 MHz (NTSC CATV Ch. 2 -135)
Standard: Option 7 (Video AGC):	0.7 volt Peak-to-Peak (87.5% depth of modulation) 0.4 to 2.5 volts Peak-to-Peak (87.5% ±2.5% depth of modulation)	AM-60-806 Model:	54 to 806 MHz (NTSC CATV Ch. 2 -125)
/ideo-to-RMS Hum Ratio:	65 dB Peak-to-Peak	AM-60-550 & AM-45-550 Models:	54 to 550 MHz (NTSC CATV Ch. 2 -78 & 95-99)
ignal-to-Noise Ratio:	58 dB (Weighted; at 4 MHz bandwidth)	Option 4 (Sub-band):	7 to 550 MHz (NTSC CATV Ch. T7 -78 & 95-99)
Differential Gain: Differential Phase:	2.0%	NTSC Channel Modes:	UHF, VHF, CATV (Standard, HRC, IRC)
Over-modulation Indicator:	87 to 92%	Power Level	
hrominance/Luminance Delay:	Per FCC Requirements	AM-45-550 Model:	+45 dBmV
Mono Audio (Standard)		All other Models:	+60 dBmV
Connector		Power Level Range	
AM-60-860 Model: All other Models:	Terminal Strip RCA	AM-45-550 Model:	+35 to +45 dBmV (in 0.2 dB increments)
Option 9 (Balanced Audio Input):	Terminal Strip	All other Models:	+50 to $+60$ dBmV (in 0.2 dB increments)
nput Impedance		Video Flatness:	fv-0.5 to fv+4.2 MHz (1.0 dB Peak-to-Valley)
AM-60-860 Model: All other Models:	600 Ω, balanced Greater than 10 kΩ, unbalanced	Carrier-to-Noise: (In Channel)	63 dB
Option 9 (Balanced Audio Input):	600Ω , balanced	Broadband Noise: (4 MHz bandwidth)	-77 dBc (@ +45/60 dBmV output level)
nput Level		Spurious Outputs:	-63 dBc
Standard: Option 8 (Audio AGC):	0.5 to 4.0 volt Peak-to-Peak 0.5 to 4.0 volt Peak-to-Peak (constant 25 kHz deviation)	Aural/Visual Carrier Ratio:	-15 ±5 dB
requency Range:	50 Hz to 15 kHz	4.5 MHz Aural Inter-carrier Freq. Tolerance:	±150 Hz; 32 to 122 °F (0 to 50 °C)
Frequency Response:	$\pm 0.5 dB$	Channel Selectivity	
Total Harmonic Distortion: Signal-to-Noise Ratio:	1% @ 25 kHz deviation 59 dB	Adjacent Aural & Below:	-40 dB
Over-modulation Threshold:	25 ± 2 kHz peak deviation	Adjacent Picture & Above:	$-40 \pm 5 \text{ dB}$
Stereo Audio (Option 5)		Visual Carrier Frequency Tolerance	
Connector		Standard Channels:	±5.0 kHz; 32 to 122 °F (0 to 50 °C)
AM-60-860 Model:	Terminal Strip	FCC Aeronautical Channels:	±2.5 kHz; 32 to 122 °F (0 to 50 °C)
All other Models:	RCA		, , , , , ,
nput Impedance		IF (Intermediate Frequency)	"F" Female / "F" Female
AM-60-860 Model:	600 Ω , balanced	Input/Output Connector:	41.25 MHz
All other Models:	Greater than 10 k Ω , unbalanced	Aural Frequency:	
nput Sensitivity		Visual Frequency: Composite IF Output	45.75 MHz
Standard:	1.0 volt Peak-to-Peak (55 kHz peak deviation with pilot tone)	Aural Carrier Level:	+20 dBmV
Option 8 (Audio AGC):	0.5 to 4.0 volt Peak-to-Peak (constant 55 kHz deviation with pilot tone)	Visual Carrier Level:	+35 dBmV
Frequency Response:	±0.75 dB (50 Hz to 14 kHz)	Input/Output Impedance:	75Ω
Separation:	20 dB (50 Hz to 10 kHz)	Input/Output Return Loss:	16/15 dB
Harmonic Distortion:	Less than 1% (@ 1 kHz)	EAS/Alternative IF	
		Connector:	"F" Female
		Input Level:	+38 dBmV @ 45.75 MHz
		Switch Isolation:	Greater than 60 dB
		Switch isolation.	
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GENERAL

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Dimensions (W x D x H):	19.0 x 14.25 x 1.75 in. (483 x 362 x 44 mm)			
Power:	117 VAC $\pm 10\%$; 60 Hz (Fuse: 0.40 Amp) Also available in 220 VAC; 50Hz			
Power Dissipation:	28 W (max)			
Weight:	7 lbs (3.18 kg)			
Operating Temperature:	32 to 122 °F (0 to 50 °C)			
Storage Temperature:	-13 to 158 °F (-25 to 70 °C)			
Operating Humidity:	0 to 95% RH @ 35 °C max, non-condensing			
Storage Humidity:	0 to 95% RH @ 35 °C max, non-condensing			

ALARMS/MONITORING/CONTROL

Front-Panel Indicators	
Channel / Mode / RF Output:	3-Digit LED Display
Video Over-modulation:	Red LED
Audio Over-modulation:	Red LED
SAP Audio Over-modulation:	Red LED
EAS/Alternative IF:	Red LED
Stereo:	Green LED
Front-Panel Controls	
Channel / Mode /RF Output:	Navigation Key-pad
Video Level:	Potentiometer
Audio Level:	Potentiometer
Aural Carrier Level:	Potentiometer
SAP Audio Level:	Potentiometer

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