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# Fixed Attenuator

## FW-A-SERIES

Mini-Circuits

50Ω Up to 2W DC to 12000 MHz

### THE BIG DEAL

- Wideband coverage, DC to 12000 MHz
- Up to 2 Watt rating
- Rugged unibody construction
- Off-the-shelf availability
- Very low cost

### APPLICATIONS

- Impedance matching
- Signal level adjustment



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|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| <b>Model No.</b>  | FW-A-SERIES |
| <b>Case Style</b> | FF704       |
| <b>Connectors</b> | SMA         |

#### +RoHS Compliant

The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance. See our web site for RoHS Compliance methodologies and qualifications

### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' FW-A series are fixed attenuators from DC to 12000 MHz frequency range with excellent flatness in attenuation. FW-A series is available with nominal attenuation of 1 to 20 dB. This attenuator series support testing and measurement application. Precise performance, excellent VSWR and rugged unibody construction makes the model ideal solution for systems requiring precise attenuation across very wide frequency range.

### KEY FEATURES

| Feature             | Advantages                                      |
|---------------------|---|
| Rugged construction | Excellent durability for a long lifetime of use |
| Up to 2 Watt rating | Good power handling                             |
| Excellent VSWR      | Well-matched for 50 Ω systems                   |
| Flat attenuation    | Good performance over the band.                 |





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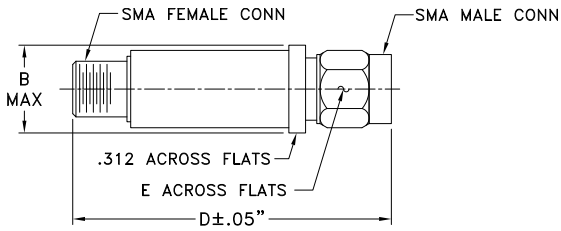
FW-2A+

## MAXIMUM RATINGS

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Operating Temperature | -40°C to 85°C  |
| Storage Temperature   | -55°C to 100°C |

Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.

## OUTLINE DRAWING

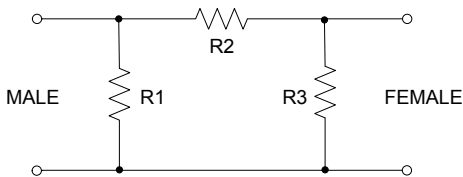


## OUTLINE DIMENSIONS (Inch/mm)

| B     | D     | E    | wt    |
|-------|-------|------|-------|
| .410  | 1.43  | .312 | grams |
| 10.41 | 36.32 | 7.92 | 10.0  |

Note: Please refer to case style drawing for details

## ELECTRICAL SCHEMATIC



## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT 25°C

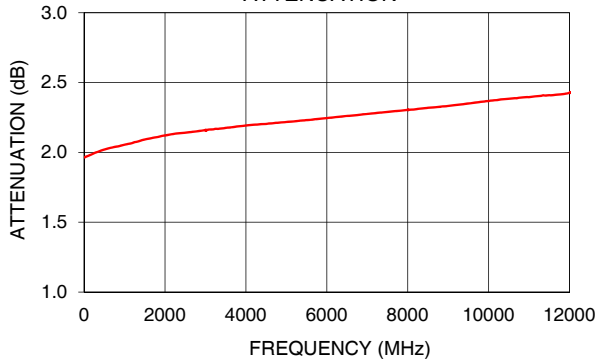
| Parameter                | Condition (MHz) | Min. | Typ. | Max.  | Unit |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------|-------|------|
| Frequency Range          |                 | DC   | -    | 12000 | MHz  |
| Attenuation <sup>1</sup> | 10              | -    | 2    | -     | dB   |
|                          | DC - 3000       | 1.7  | 2.15 | 2.4   |      |
|                          | 3000 - 8000     | 1.8  | 2.25 | 2.6   |      |
| VSWR                     | DC - 3000       | -    | 1.10 | 1.45  | :1   |
|                          | 3000 - 8000     | -    | 1.15 | 1.50  |      |
|                          | 8000 - 12000    | -    | 1.30 | -     |      |
| Input Power <sup>2</sup> | DC - 12000      | -    | -    | 2.0   | W    |

1. Attenuation varies by 0.3 dB max. over temperature.  
 2. RF power at 25°C is 2.0W; Derate linearly to 1.0W at 85°C

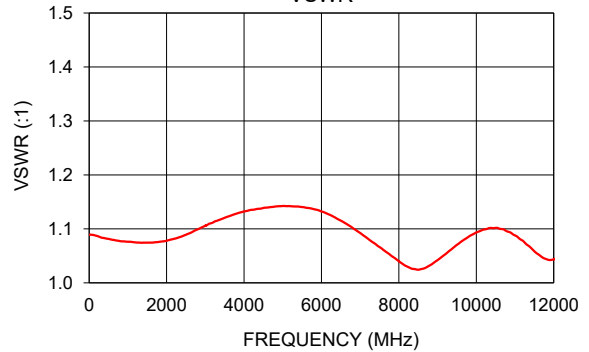
## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA

| Frequency (MHz) | Attenuation (dB) | VSWR (:1) |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 10              | 1.96             | 1.08      |
| 100             | 1.98             | 1.09      |
| 500             | 2.02             | 1.08      |
| 1000            | 2.06             | 1.08      |
| 2000            | 2.12             | 1.08      |
| 3000            | 2.16             | 1.11      |
| 5000            | 2.22             | 1.14      |
| 6000            | 2.25             | 1.13      |
| 8000            | 2.30             | 1.04      |
| 9000            | 2.33             | 1.04      |
| 9500            | 2.35             | 1.07      |
| 10000           | 2.37             | 1.09      |
| 10500           | 2.38             | 1.10      |
| 11000           | 2.40             | 1.09      |
| 12000           | 2.43             | 1.04      |

FW-2A+ ATTENUATION



FW-2A+ VSWR



### NOTES

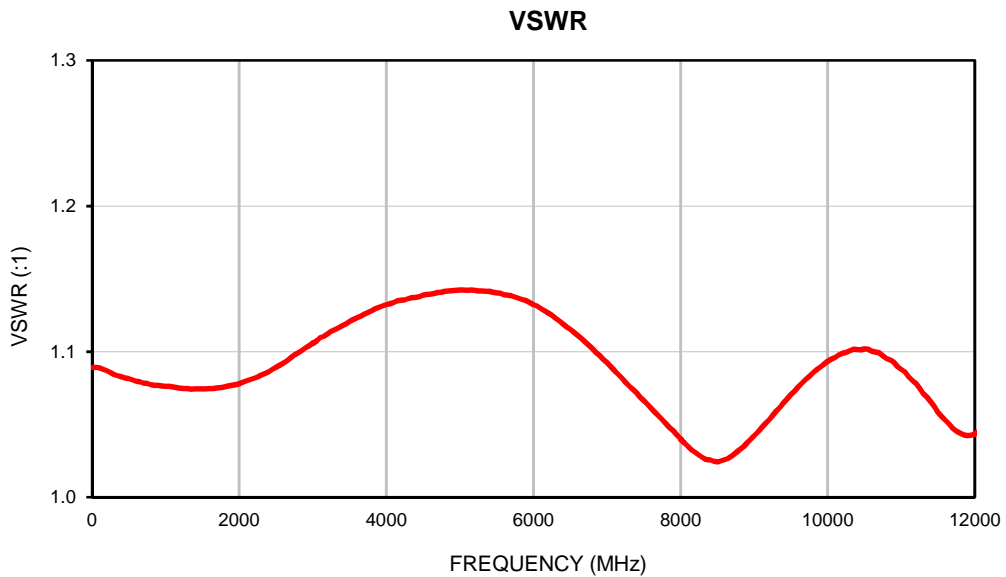
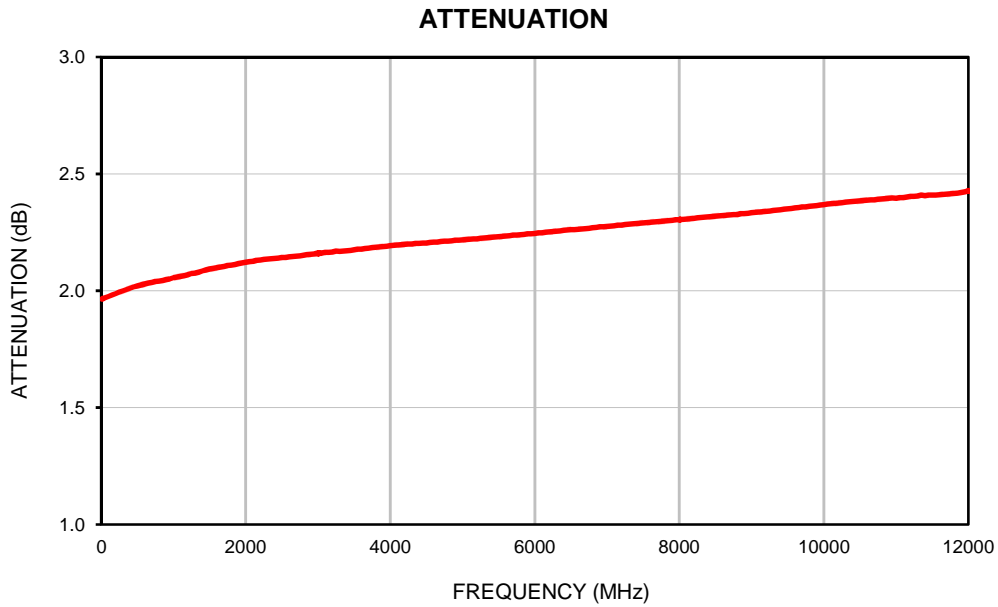
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*Typical Performance Data*

| FREQ. | ATTENUATION | VSWR |
|-------|-------------|------|
| (MHz) | (dB)        | (:1) |
| 10    | 1.96        | 1.09 |
| 20    | 1.97        | 1.09 |
| 50    | 1.97        | 1.09 |
| 100   | 1.98        | 1.09 |
| 200   | 1.99        | 1.09 |
| 300   | 2.00        | 1.08 |
| 400   | 2.01        | 1.08 |
| 500   | 2.02        | 1.08 |
| 600   | 2.03        | 1.08 |
| 700   | 2.04        | 1.08 |
| 800   | 2.04        | 1.08 |
| 900   | 2.05        | 1.08 |
| 1000  | 2.06        | 1.08 |
| 1200  | 2.07        | 1.07 |
| 1400  | 2.08        | 1.07 |
| 1600  | 2.10        | 1.07 |
| 1800  | 2.11        | 1.08 |
| 2000  | 2.12        | 1.08 |
| 2200  | 2.13        | 1.08 |
| 2400  | 2.14        | 1.09 |
| 2600  | 2.14        | 1.09 |
| 2800  | 2.15        | 1.10 |
| 3000  | 2.16        | 1.11 |
| 3200  | 2.17        | 1.11 |
| 3400  | 2.17        | 1.12 |
| 3600  | 2.18        | 1.12 |
| 3800  | 2.19        | 1.13 |
| 4000  | 2.19        | 1.13 |
| 4200  | 2.20        | 1.14 |
| 4400  | 2.20        | 1.14 |
| 4600  | 2.21        | 1.14 |
| 4800  | 2.21        | 1.14 |
| 5000  | 2.22        | 1.14 |
| 5200  | 2.22        | 1.14 |
| 5400  | 2.23        | 1.14 |
| 5600  | 2.23        | 1.14 |
| 5800  | 2.24        | 1.14 |
| 6000  | 2.25        | 1.13 |
| 6200  | 2.25        | 1.13 |
| 6400  | 2.26        | 1.12 |
| 6600  | 2.26        | 1.11 |
| 6800  | 2.27        | 1.10 |
| 7000  | 2.27        | 1.09 |
| 7200  | 2.28        | 1.08 |
| 7400  | 2.29        | 1.07 |
| 7600  | 2.29        | 1.06 |
| 7800  | 2.30        | 1.05 |
| 8000  | 2.30        | 1.04 |
| 8200  | 2.31        | 1.03 |
| 8400  | 2.32        | 1.03 |
| 8600  | 2.32        | 1.03 |
| 8800  | 2.33        | 1.03 |
| 9000  | 2.33        | 1.04 |
| 9200  | 2.34        | 1.05 |
| 9400  | 2.35        | 1.06 |
| 9600  | 2.35        | 1.08 |
| 10000 | 2.37        | 1.09 |
| 11000 | 2.40        | 1.09 |
| 11500 | 2.41        | 1.06 |
| 12000 | 2.43        | 1.04 |

## Typical Performance Curves



# Case Style

# FF

## FF704

### Outline Dimensions



| CASE #. | A  | B               | C  | D               | E              | WT GRAMS |
|---------|----|-----------------|----|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| FF704   | -- | .410<br>(10.41) | -- | 1.43<br>(36.32) | .312<br>(7.92) | 10.0     |

Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2Pl. ± .04; 3Pl. ± .030

#### Notes:

1. Case material: Stainless steel.
2. Case finish: Gold plated.
3. Round Flange may have .312 Across Flats in some models.

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| <b>Specification</b>       | <b>Test/Inspection Condition</b>  | <b>Reference/Spec</b>                               |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Operating Temperature      | -40° to 85° C<br>Ambient Environment  | Individual Model Data Sheet                         |
| Storage Temperature        | -55° to 100° C<br>Ambient Environment   | Individual Model Data Sheet                         |
| Thermal Shock              | -55° to 100°C, 5cycles  | MIL-STD-202, Method 107, Condition A, except +100°C |
| Vibration (High Frequency) | 20g peak, 10-2000 Hz, 12 times in each of three perpendicular directions (total 36) | MIL-STD-202, Method 204, Condition D                |
| Mechanical Shock           | 75g, 6ms , Half Sine, 3 shocks each direction 3 axes (total 18)                     | MIL-STD-202, Method 213, Condition B                |