



## USB & ETHERNET

# Mechanical Switch Assembly ZTM-6SP6T-12

50Ω DC to 12 GHz 6 x SP6T Rack-Mount SMA Female

### THE BIG DEAL

- 6 x mechanical SP6T absorptive switches
- Convenient rack-mountable chassis
- SSH secure Ethernet communication
- Fail-safe / redundancy switching
- LED switch state indicators

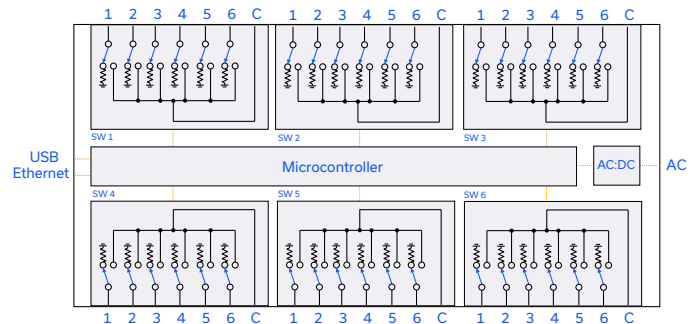


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### APPLICATIONS

- Benchtop and rack-mounted automated test systems
- 5G FR1, WiFi 6E MIMO, UWB, Bluetooth
- Military radio, radar & electronic warfare
- Microwave radio & cellular infrastructure
- Switch matrices

### FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' ZTM-6SP6T-12 houses 6 independently controlled electro-mechanical SP6T switches. Each switch operates over a wide bandwidth, from DC to 12 GHz with high isolation and low insertion loss. The absorptive switches are failsafe, with a break-before-make configuration, and lifetime of 10 million switching cycles when used within the noted specifications.

The switches are housed in a compact 19-inch rack chassis, 3U height, with all SMA (female) RF connectors on the front. LED switch state indicators on the front panel enable visual display of all switch states. The switch assembly can be controlled via USB or Ethernet (supporting SSH, HTTP and Telnet network protocols). Full software support is provided, including our user-friendly GUI application for Windows and a full API with programming instructions for Windows and Linux environments.

The modular design of the ZTM series switch rack supports easy maintenance and re-configuration in the field, without the need to return the whole system to a Mini-Circuits facility. Custom switch configurations can be configured to fit any requirement, using Mini-Circuits' online configurator tool at [www.minicircuits.com/WebStore/ztm.html](http://www.minicircuits.com/WebStore/ztm.html).

### KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Mechanical switches	Mechanical absorptive switches provide low loss, high isolation, high reliability, repeatable performance and internal termination of input signals on the disconnected paths
Flexible & modular design	Configure just the switch combination needed for your test application, with the flexibility to add or change switch modules in future as test requirements evolve.
Secure Ethernet communication	Support for SSH (secure shell protocol) provides a means for secure communication over Ethernet networks with strict security policies. HTTP & Telnet communication via Ethernet are also supported.
Fail-safe design	The switches revert to a known default state when the DC supply is removed, allowing their use in systems that must continue to operate safely in the event of power failure
Rack-mount chassis	Compact 3U height, 19" rack-mountable chassis suits integration in automated production test environments.



**ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C (EACH SWITCH)**

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	-	DC		12	GHz
Insertion Loss	DC - 6 GHz		0.15	0.25	dB
	6 - 8 GHz		0.20	0.30	
	8 - 12 GHz		0.25	0.45	
Isolation (Inactive Paths) <sup>1</sup>	DC - 6 GHz	80	95		dB
	6 - 8 GHz	80	90		
	8 - 12 GHz	80	90		
Return Loss <sup>2</sup>	DC - 6 GHz		20		dB
	6 - 8 GHz		20		
	8 - 12 GHz		20		
Switching Time			25		ms
RF Input Power (Cold Switching)	Through path			20	W
	Into internal termination			1	
Switch Lifetime	100 mW hot switching <sup>3</sup>	10			dBm
	1W hot switching		1		

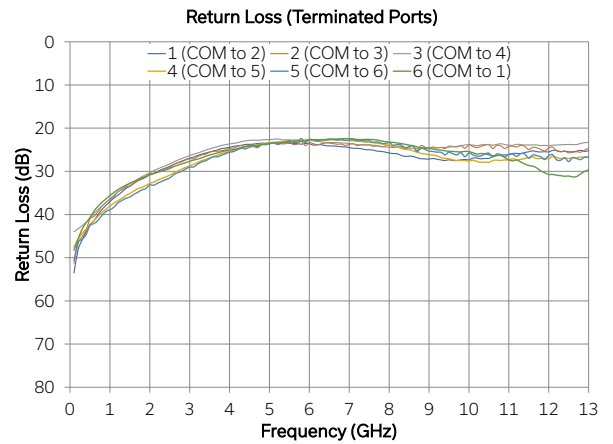
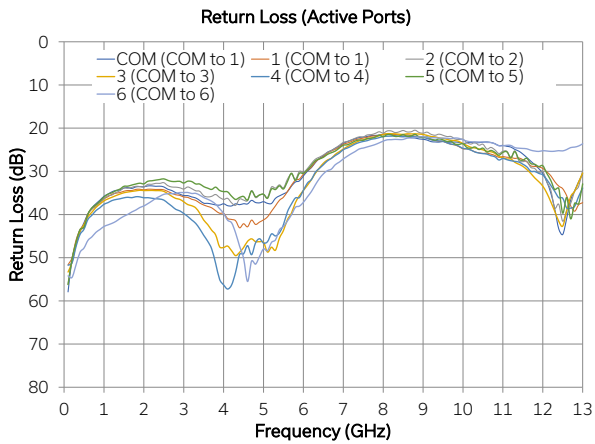
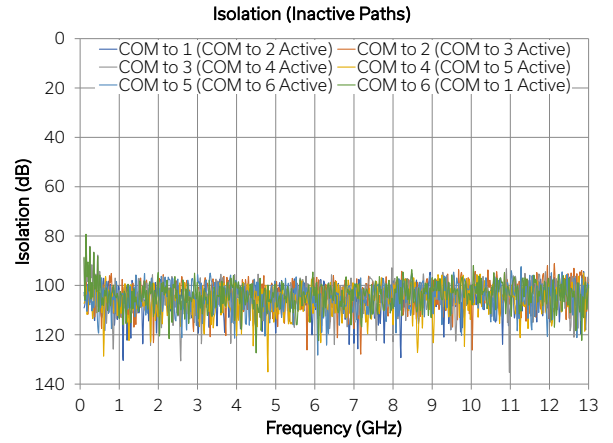
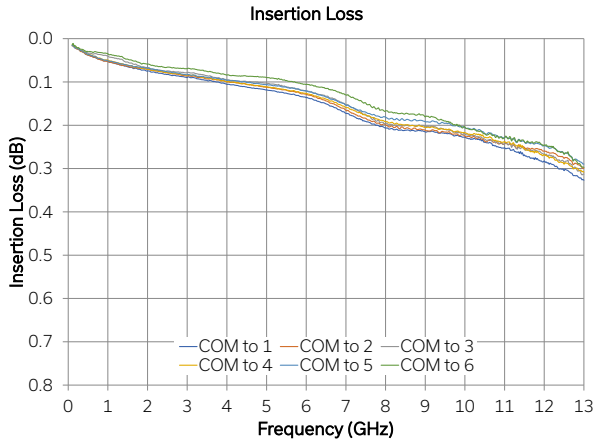
1. Isolation measured between Com and any disconnected port. Example: Isolation for Com to 1 is the leakage measured at port 1 from a signal input at Com when the active switch path is set to Com to 2

2. Return loss into Com when active or ports 1-6 in any state; Com is reflective when disconnected

3. Hot switching power above this level will degrade the switch lifetime



### TYPICAL PERFORMANCE GRAPHS





## CONTROL INTERFACES

<b>Ethernet Control</b>	Supported Protocols	TCP / IP, SSH, HTTP, Telnet, DHCP, UDP (limited)
	Max Data Rate	100 Mbps (100 Base-T Full Duplex)
<b>USB Control</b>	Supported Protocols	HID – High Speed
	Min Communication Time	400 μs typ <sup>1</sup>

1. Based on the polling interval of the USB HID protocol (125 μs with 64 bytes per packet) and no other significant CPU or USB activity

## SOFTWARE & DOCUMENTATION

Mini-Circuits' full software and support package including user guide, Windows GUI, API, programming manual and examples can be downloaded free of charge (refer to the last page for the download path).

A comprehensive set of software control options is provided:

- GUI for Windows – Simple software interface for control via Ethernet and USB
- Programming / automation via Ethernet
  - Complete set of control commands which can be sent via any supported protocol – simple to implement in the majority of modern programming environments
- Programming / automation via USB
  - DLL files provide a full API for Windows with a set of intuitive functions which can be implemented in any programming environment supporting .Net Framework or ActiveX
  - Direct USB programming is possible in any other environment (not supporting .Net or ActiveX)

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## MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

<b>Hardware</b>	Intel i3 (or equivalent) or later
<b>GUI (USB or Ethernet Control)</b>	Windows 7 or later
<b>USB API DLL</b>	Windows 7 or later with support for Microsoft .Net Framework or ActiveX
<b>USB Direct Programming</b>	Windows 7 or later; Linux
<b>Ethernet</b>	Windows, Linux or macOS with Ethernet TCP / IP support

## PROGRAMMING COMMANDS

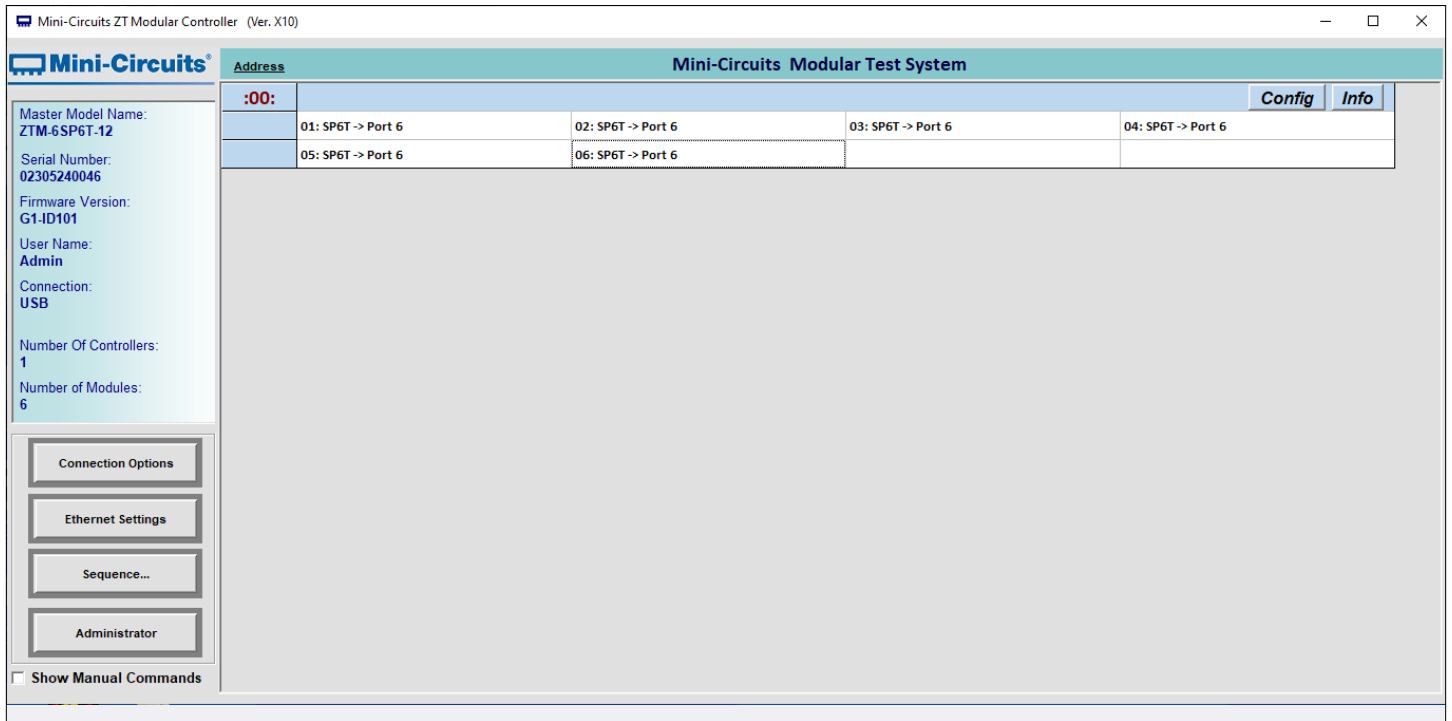
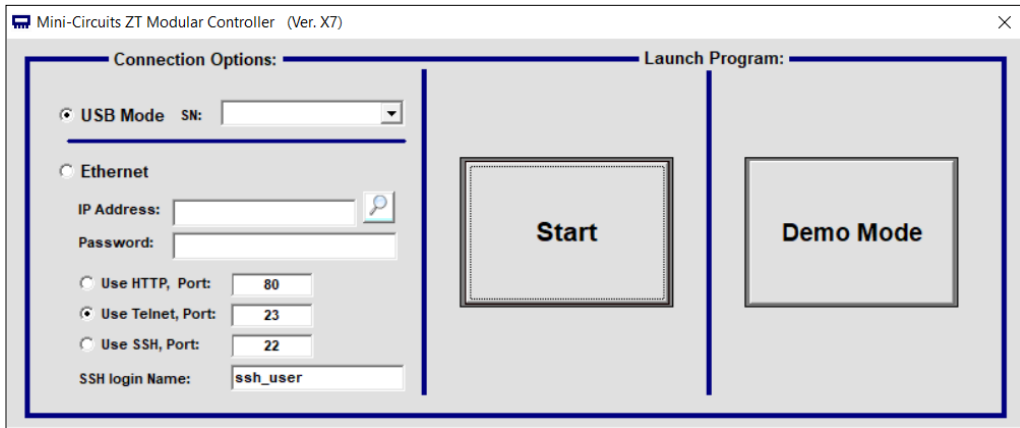
The key ASCII / SCPI commands for control of the system for control via the Ethernet or USB API are summarized below (refer to the programming manual for full details):

Command / Query	Description
:MN?	Read model name
:SN?	Read serial number
:FIRMWARE?	Read firmware version
SP6T:[sw_label]:STATE:[port]	Set a switch state: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [sw_label] = Switch number (1 to 6)</li> <li>• [port] = The port to be connected to Com of the specified switch (1 to 6)</li> <li>• Example: SP6T:1:STATE:2</li> </ul>
:SP6T:[sw_label]:STATE?	Get the state of all switches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sw_label] = Switch number (1 to 6)</li> <li>• Example: SP6T:1:STATE?</li> </ul>



### GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE (GUI) FOR WINDOWS - KEY FEATURES

- Connect via USB or Ethernet
- Run GUI in demo mode to evaluate the software without a hardware connection
- View and set all switch states at the click of a button
- Configure automated switching sequences
- Define custom switch and port labels
- Set switch power-up states
- Configure Ethernet settings





### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Conditions	Limits	Units
Temperature	Operating	0 to +50	°C
	Storage	-20 to +60	
Input Power (No Damage)	Cold switching	20	W
	Hot switching	1	
	Into internal termination	1	

Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded. Operating in the range between operating power limits and absolute maximum ratings for extended periods of time may result in reduced life and reliability.

### POWER SUPPLY

Power Supply	AC mains input: 100-240 V, 50 / 60 Hz
Fuse	2A, 250V rating
Power Consumption	150W maximum

### SWITCH STATE TABLE

Switch Command	Switch Path
:SP6T:x:STATE:0	All ports disconnected
:SP6T:x:STATE:1	COM to 1
:SP6T:x:STATE:2	COM to 2
:SP6T:x:STATE:3	COM to 3
:SP6T:x:STATE:4	COM to 4
:SP6T:x:STATE:5	COM to 5
:SP6T:x:STATE:6	COM to 6

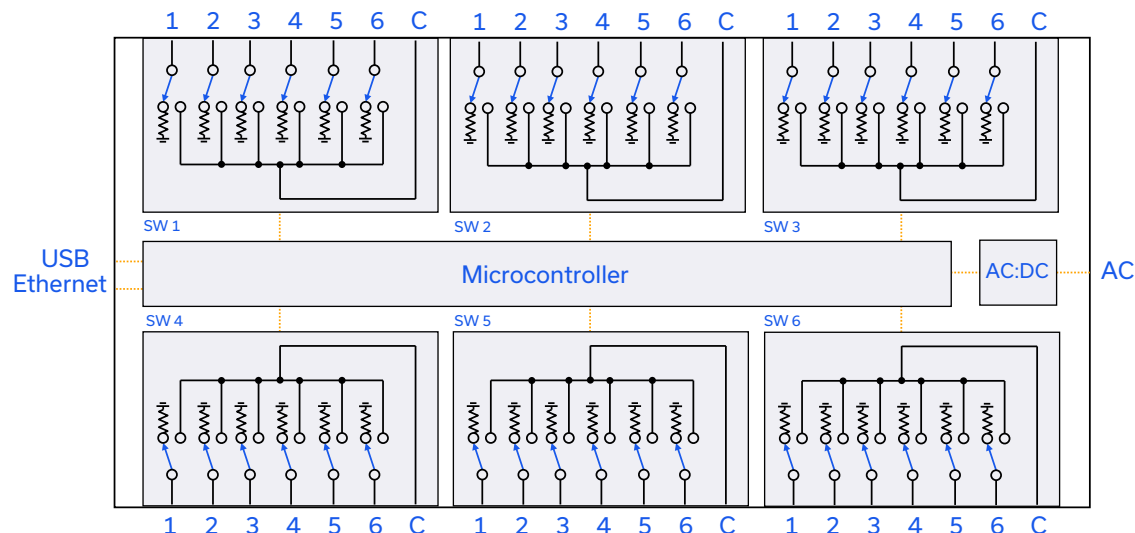
x = switch number (1 to 6)

### CONNECTIONS

Port	Connector
COM & 1-6 (each SP6T)	SMA female
USB	USB type B
Ethernet / LAN	RJ45
AC Input	IEC C14 inlet

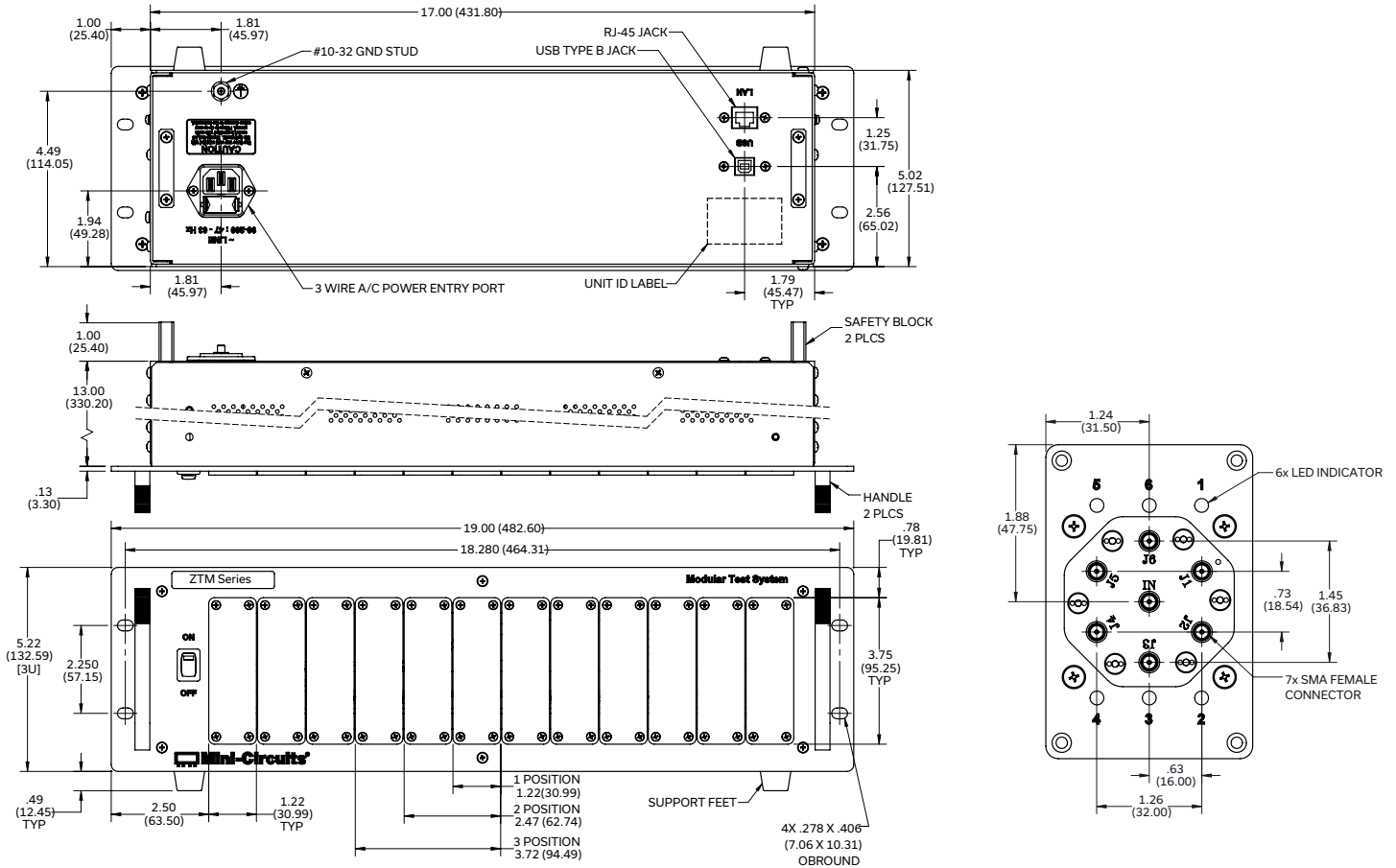
COM = Common port  
1-6 = input / output ports

### FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM





## CASE STYLE DRAWING



1. Case material: Aluminum (with protective coating to prevent corrosion).
2. Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2 Pl. ± .03 inch; 3 Pl. ± .015 inch.
3. Weight: 4535 grams.
4. Marking may contain features or characters for internal lot control.

## PRODUCT MARKING\*

Product Marking: ZTM-6SP6T-12

Unit ID Label: Serial number and other identification marks

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



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**DETAILED MODEL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE [CLICK HERE](#)**

<b>Case Style</b>	YD2861
<b>Software, User Guide &amp; Programming Manual</b>	<a href="http://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/ztm_ztm2.html">www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/ztm_ztm2.html</a>
<b>Environmental Rating</b>	ENV55
<b>Regulatory Compliance</b>	<p>Refer to our website for compliance methodologies and qualifications</p>  <p><a href="http://www.minicircuits.com/quality/environmental_introduction.html">www.minicircuits.com/quality/environmental_introduction.html</a></p>

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Included Accessories	Part Number	Description
	CBL-3W-xx	AC power cord (IEC C13 connector to local plug) Select one option from the list below. Please contact <a href="mailto:testsolutions@minicircuits.com">testsolutions@minicircuits.com</a> if your region is not listed.
	USB-CBL-AB-7+	USB cable (6.8ft) type A to type B
	CBL-RJ45-MM-5+	Ethernet cable (5 ft)
	HT-4-SMA	SMA connector wrench (4" length)

AC Power Cord Options	Part Number	Description
	CBL-3W-US	USA NEMA 5-15 plug (type B) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-EU	Europe CEE 7/7 plug (type E/F) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-UK	UK BS-1363 plug (type G) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-AU	Australia & China AS/NZS 3112 plug (type I) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-IL	Israel SI-32 plug (type H) to IEC C13 connector

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