## Biasable Mixers



## Description

Millitech series MB1 mixers are DC biased to operate with low local oscillator power levels on the order of +3 dBm . These are balanced mixers with low conversion loss over broad RF and LO bandwidths and an IF range which extends up to 18 GHz .

Series MB1 mixers are offered in three waveguide bands from 60 to 140 GHz with full waveguide band RF signal coverage. For narrow IF range (up to 2 GHz ), the local oscillator frequency can be anywhere within the band. This broadband capability makes these mixers

## Features:

- DC biasable
- 3 dBm local oscillator drive level
- Broadband LO and RF
- IF bandwidths up to 18 GHz


## Applications:

- Receiver subsystems
- Broadband downconverters
- Test equipment
- EW/ELINT
ideally suited for EW receivers, instrumentation and swept receiver applications, particularly where local oscillator power is at a premium and available only at approximately the 3 dBm level.

External low noise IF preamplifiers can be provided with these mixers for specific IF ranges. The standard product uses the same waveguide band for both LO and RF ports. MXP balanced mixers with integral filters are offered for higher performance applications where reasonable LO power levels (+10 to +15 dBm ) are available.

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## Typical Performance





## Electrical Specifications

| Model Number |  | MB1-12 | MB1-10 | MB1-08 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequency Band and Range (GHz) |  | $\begin{gathered} E \\ 60-90 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { W } \\ 75-110 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} F \\ 90-140 \end{gathered}$ |
| Conversion Loss (dB) (max) ${ }^{* 1}$ (without IF preamplifier) (SSB) | 0.1-10 GHz IF | 10.0 | 11.0 | 13.0 |
| Noise Figure (dB) (DSB max) *1 (with IF preamplifier) | $100-500 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}$ | 9.0 | 10.0 | 12.0 |
|  | $100-1000 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}$ | 9.5 | 10.5 | 12.5 |
|  | 1-2 GHz IF | 10.0 | 11.0 | 13.0 |
|  | 2-4 GHz IF | 10.0 | 11.0 | 13.0 |
|  | 1-12 GHz IF | 11.0 | 12.0 | 14.0 |
|  | 1-18 GHz IF | 11.0 | 12.0 | 14.0 |
| RF Frequency |  | Full waveguide |  |  |
| RF Bandwidth |  | Full waveguide |  |  |
| RF Input Return Loss (typ) |  | 6 dB | 6 dB | 5 dB |
| LO Frequency |  | Full waveguide |  |  |
| LO Bandwidth (GHz) (min) | IF up to 2 GHz | Full waveguide |  |  |
|  | IF up to 5 GHz | 10\% of LO center frequency |  |  |
| LO Drive Power (biased) (dBm)**2 |  | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| LO to IF Isolation (dB) (typ) |  | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| LO to RF Isolation (dB) (typ) |  | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| RF to IF Gain (dB) (with IF preamplifier) (min) |  | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| RF and LO Combined Input Power (dBm) (max) |  | 17 | 17 | 17 |
| IF Output Impendence (ohm) (nom) |  | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| DC Input Voltage (V) (IF amp) (typ) |  | 12 to 15 | 12 to15 | 12 to 15 |
| DC Input Current (mA) (IF amp) (typ) |  | 200 | 200 | 200 |
| DC Bias Voltage (V) (LO) (typ) |  | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Operating Temperature ( ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) (specs apply at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) |  | 0 to 50 | 0 to 50 | 0 to 50 |

*1 - Tested with +3 dBm LO drive. Tested at a fixed LO frequency.
*2 - An isolator is recommended at local oscillator input for optimum performance.

## Mechanical Specifications

| Model Number | MB1-12 | MB1-10 | MB1-08 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Flange MIL-DTL-3922 | /67B-009 | /67B-010 | Flange Pattern Compatible with |
|  | MIL-DTL-3922/67C. Refer to IS000131. |  |  |

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Outline Drawings

## Series MB1



## Specify Model Number

MB1-XX-ABCDE
XX = Waveguide Band
WR - number
A = Flange Type
R-round
B = Local Oscillator Waveguide Band
R - same as RF band
$C=I F$ Range
$0-100-500 \mathrm{MHz}$
1-100-1000 MHz
2-1-2 GHz
3-2-4 GHz
4-1-12 GHz
$5-1-18 \mathrm{GHz}$
R - other range (please specify)
D = IF Amplifier Options
A - IF amplifier included
W - without IF amplifier
$\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{LO}$ Range
F - fullband (IF limited to 2 GHz )
S - specified range*
X - fixed frequency*
*Please specify IF, LO and RF frequency

## Example:

To Order: a fullband biasable mixer in WR-10 with a 100 to 1000 MHz IF without an amplifier
Specify: MB1-10-RR1WF

