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Precision Fixed Attenuator **BW-N12W5+**

50Ω 5 W 12 dB DC to 18 GHz N-Female to N-Male

## FEATURES

- DC to 18 GHz
- Precision Attenuation
- Excellent VSWR, 1.20 typ.
- Stainless Steel N-Male and Female Connectors

## APPLICATIONS

- Impedance Matching
- Instrumentation
- Test setups



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Model No.	BW-N12W5+
Case Style	DC736
Connectors	N-Female to N-Male

**+RoHS Compliant**

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

## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C

Parameter	Frequency (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Frequency Range		DC		18	GHz
Attenuation, Nominal			12		dB
Attenuation, Accuracy <sup>1</sup>	DC - 18		±0.60		dB
VSWR <sup>2</sup>	DC - 4			1.20	:1
	4 - 8			1.25	
	8 - 12.4			1.30	
Input Power <sup>3</sup>				5.0	W

1. At +25°C, accuracy includes frequency and power variations. Temperature coefficient for attenuation: .0004 dB/dB/°C typ.

2. VSWR from 12.4 to 18 GHz, 1.6:1 typ.

3. Average power at +25°C ambient, derate linearly to 2 W at +100°C. Peak Power 125 W max. 5 μsec. pulse width, 100 Hz PRF.

## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature	-55°C to +100°C
Storage Temperature <sup>4</sup>	-55°C to +100°C

4. With mated connectors. Unmated, +85°C max.

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

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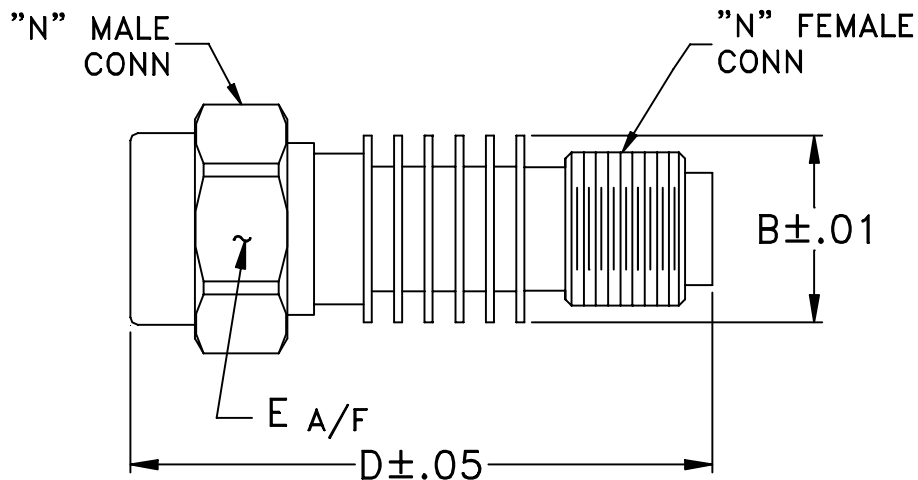
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## OUTLINE DRAWING



## OUTLINE DIMENSIONS (Inch mm)

B	D	E	wt
.61	1.90	.812	grams
15.49	48.26	20.62	49.7





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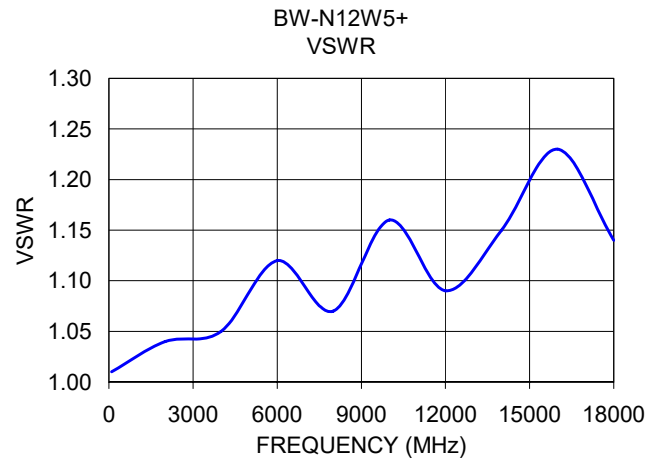
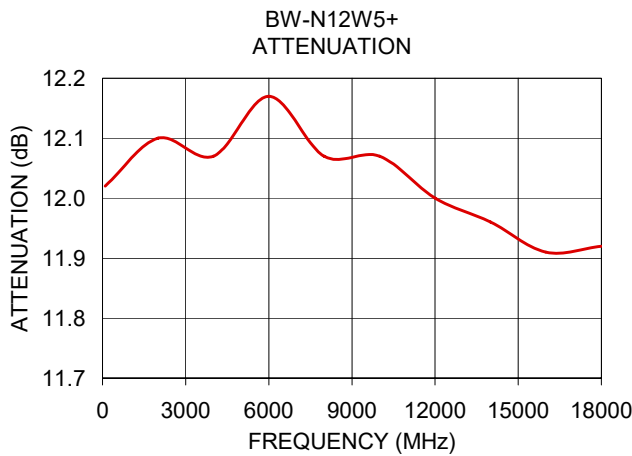
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## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA AND CHARTS

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation (dB)	VSWR (:1)
100	12.02	1.01
2000	12.10	1.04
4000	12.07	1.05
6000	12.17	1.12
8000	12.07	1.07
10000	12.07	1.16
12000	12.00	1.09
14000	11.96	1.15
16000	11.91	1.23
18000	11.92	1.14



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## Typical Performance Data

FREQUENCY (MHz)	ATTENUATION (dB)	RETURN LOSS (dB)
100.00	12.02	46.06
2000.00	12.10	34.15
4000.00	12.07	32.26
6000.00	12.17	24.94
8000.00	12.07	29.42
10000.00	12.07	22.61
12000.00	12.00	27.32
14000.00	11.96	23.13
16000.00	11.91	19.73
18000.00	11.92	23.69

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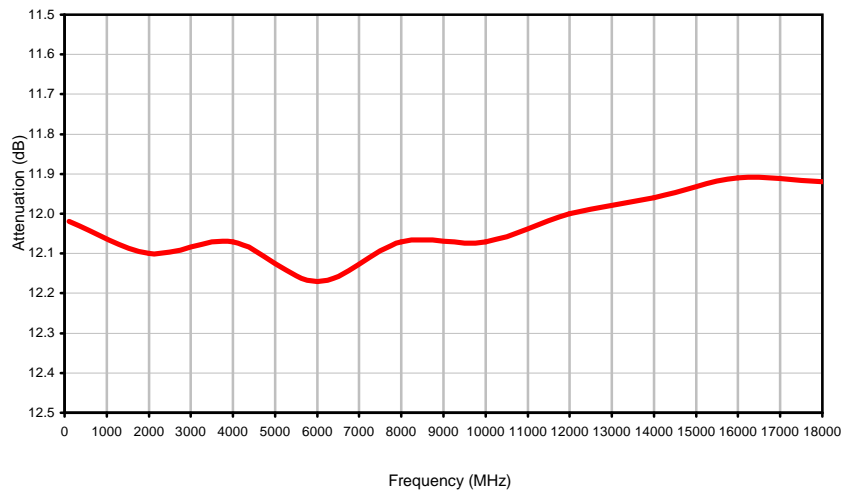


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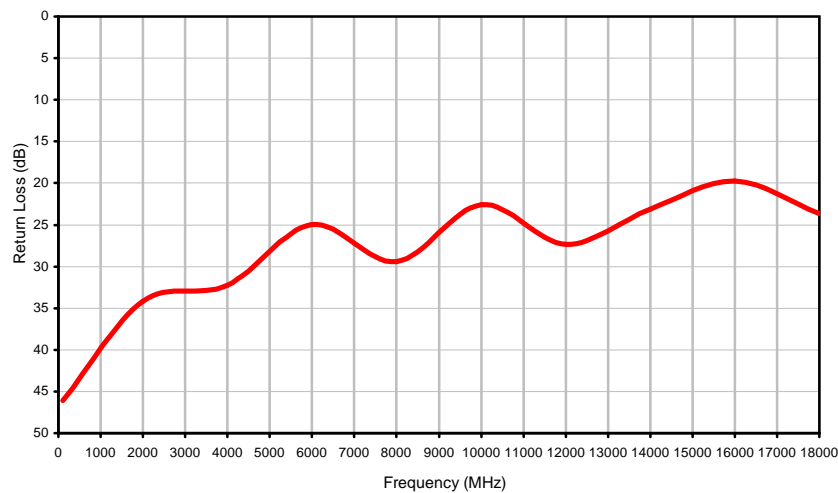


## Typical Performance Curves

Attenuation

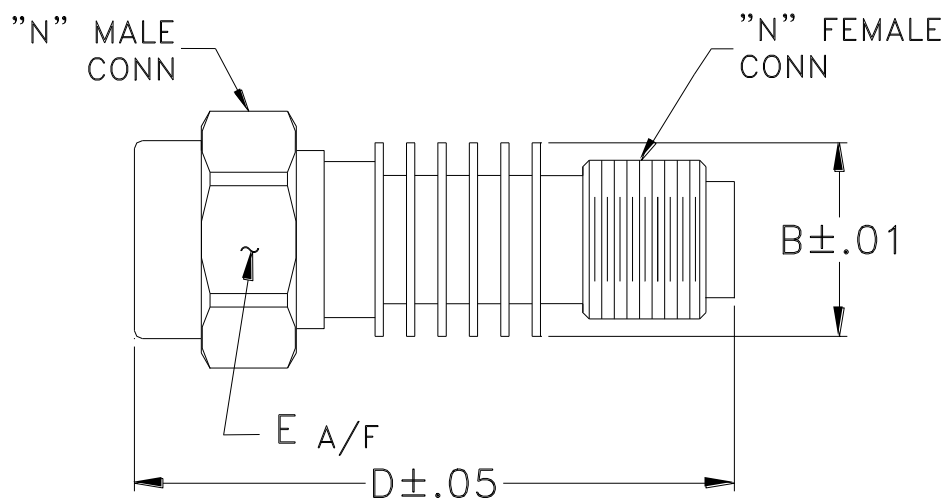


Return Loss



## Outline Dimensions

DC736



CASE#	A	B	C	D	E	WT. GRAMS
DC736	--	.61 (15.49)	--	1.90 (48.26)	.812 (20.62)	49.7

Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2 Pl.  $\pm .03$ ; 3 Pl.  $\pm .015$

### Notes:

1. Case material: Aluminum alloy.
2. Case finish: Black anodize.



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All Mini-Circuits products are manufactured under exacting quality assurance and control standards, and are capable of meeting published specifications after being subjected to any or all of the following physical and environmental test.

Specification	Test/Inspection Condition	Reference/Spec
Operating Temperature	-55° to 100°C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Temperature	-55° to 100° C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Barometric Pressure	100,000 Feet	MIL-STD-202, Method 105, Condition D
Humidity	90% RH, 65°C Units may require bake-out after humidity to restore full performance.	MIL-STD-202, Method 103
Thermal Shock	-65° to 125°C, 5 cycles	MIL-STD-202, Method 107, Condition B
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	100g, 6ms sawtooth, 3 shocks each direction 3 axes (total 18)	MIL-STD-202, Method 213, Condition I