# Coaxial High Power Amplifier

## ZHL-100W-251+

50Ω 100W 50 to 250 MHz

## The Big Deal

- Output Power at Saturation 100W typ.
- Wide bandwidth, 50 to 250 MHz
- High gain, 46 dB typ.
- Good gain flatness, ±0.7dB typ.
- Unconditionally stable
- Self protected against high case temperature and shorting/unshorting of the DC supply
- Can withstand short and open circuit at output while delivering 100 watts

## **Product Overview**

The ZHL-100W-251+ is a Class A, high-power amplifier providing 100W saturated power over the 50 to 250 MHz band, ideal for a variety of high-power test setups as well as applications including communications, HAM bands and more. The ruggedly-designed amplifier provides unconditional stability and built-in self-protection against overheating. It is capable of withstanding short and open circuits at output while continuously delivering 100W of power. Housed in a rugged aluminum alloy case measuring 3.25 x 6.0 x 1.13", the unit features SMA connectors and an optional heat sink and fan attachment for cooling.

## **Key Features**

| Feature                             | Advantages   |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Wideband, usable from 20 to 450 MHz | Suitable for a broad range of high-power, wideband applications, including test setups, HAM communication and defense applications.  |
| High gain, 46 dB                    | Enables signal amplification to 100W output without the need for multiple gain stages.   |
| Good gain flatness, ±0.7 dB         | Provides consistent performance across frequency without the need for gain flattening using external components.   |
| Built-in self-protection            | In instances of potentially-damaging heat buildup within the housing, unshorting of DC supply, and short or open loads at the output, an automatic sensing feature signals the unit to power down. |
| Unconditional stability             | Provides reliable performance independent of input and load conditions.  |





ZHL-100W-251-S+

ZHL-100W-251XS+

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#### Features

- High power, 100 Watt at saturation
- Usable over 20 to 450 MHzHigh gain, 46 dB typ.
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  Excellent gain flatness, ±0.7 dB typ.
- Excellent IP3, +58 dBm typ.
- Class A amplifier, usable up to 100W
- No damage with an open or short output load under full CW output power<sup>1</sup>
- Shuts off when base plate temperature exceeds +100°C
- Internal power regulator (current remains constant over 22 to 28V
- Over voltage protection, shut off above 29V

#### **Applications**

- VHF/UHF transmitters
- Defense
- Amateur radio, FM, TV
- Laboratory use



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| Model No.  | ZHL-100W-251-S+ | ZHL-100W-251XS+4 |
|------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Case Style | BT              | 1165             |
| Connectors | S               | MA               |

+RoHS Compliant

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

#### Electrical Specifications at 25°C

|                                    | Z    | 2HL-100W-251 | +    | ZH  |      |      |       |
|------------------------------------|------|--------------|------|-----|------|------|-------|
| Parameter                          | Min. | Тур.         | Max. | Min | Тур. | Max. | Units |
| Frequency Range                    | 50   |              | 250  | 50  |      | 250  | MHz   |
| Gain                               | 42   | 46           | 51   | 42  | 46   | 51   | dB    |
| Gain Flatness                      | —    | ±0.7         | ±1.5 | _   | ±0.7 | ±1.5 | dB    |
| Output Power at 1dB compression    | —    | +48          | —    | —   | +48  | —    | dBm   |
| Output Power at 3dB compression    | —    | +50          | _    | _   | +50  | _    | dBm   |
| Noise Figure                       | —    | 4.5          | —    | —   | 4.5  | —    | dB    |
| Output third order intercept point | —    | +58          | _    | _   | +58  | _    | dBm   |
| Input VSWR                         | —    | 1.4          | _    | _   | 1.4  | _    | :1    |
| Output VSWR                        | —    | 2.5          | _    | _   | 2.5  | _    | :1    |
| DC Supply Voltage                  | —    | 24           | 25   | _   | 24   | 25   | V     |
| Supply Current                     | _    | _            | 10.5 |     | _    | 10.2 | A     |

1. At constant open or short load 24V nominal supply voltage.

#### **Maximum Ratings**

| Parameter   | Ratings        |
|---|----------------|
| Operating Temperature<br>(with Mini-Circuits' heatsink and fan) | -20°C to 65°C  |
| Storage Temperature   | -55°C to 100°C |
| Base Plate Temperature<br>(with alternative heatsink)           | 85°C           |
| Input RF Power (no damage) <sup>2</sup>                         | +9 dBm         |

2. At nominal output load, 24V nominal supply voltage. Limiter VLM-52-S+ is recommended to be used at the input of the amplifier.

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

▲ Heat sink and fan not included. Alternative heat sinking and heat removal must be provided by the user to limit maximum base-plate temperature to 85°C, in order to ensure proper performance. For reference, this requires thermal resistance of user's external heat sink to be 0.08°C/W max.

#### **Outline Drawing for models with heatsink**



| Outl   | ine D  | Dime   | nsion  | IS (ind | <b>ch )</b> |      |   |      |       |       |   |   |       |       |        |           |           |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------------|------|---|------|-------|-------|---|---|-------|-------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| А      | В      | С      | D      | Е       | F           | G    | н | J    | к     | L     | м | Ν | Р     | Q     | R      | S         | т         |
| 9.85   | 7.3    | 6.3    | 6.00   | 1.00    | 3.75        | .13  |   | .25  | .63   | 1.03  |   |   | 3.25  | .5    | 6.00   | 5.1       | .135 gi   |
| 250.19 | 185.42 | 160.02 | 152.40 | 25.40   | 95.25       | 3.30 |   | 6.35 | 16.00 | 26.16 |   |   | 82.55 | 12.70 | 152.40 | 129.54    | 3.43      |
|        |        |        |        |         |             |      |   |      |       |       |   |   |       |       | *500   | ) grams w | ithout he |

## Typical Performance Data/Curves

| FREQUENCY<br>(MHz) | GAIN<br>(dB) | DIRECTIVITY<br>(dB) | VSWR<br>(:1) |      | POUT<br>at 1 dB<br>COMPR.<br>(dBm) | POUT<br>at 3 dB<br>COMPR.<br>(dBm) | NOISE<br>FIGURE<br>(dB) | OIP3<br>(dBm) |
|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
|                    | 24V          | 24V                 | IN           | OUT  | 24V                                | 24V                                | 24V                     | 24V           |
| 50                 | 46.1         | 38                  | 1.77         | 3.33 | 48.7                               | 49.7                               | 4.3                     | 58.6          |
| 70                 | 46.2         | 36                  | 1.68         | 2.94 | 48.7                               | 49.8                               | 4.1                     | 58.5          |
| 100                | 46.2         | 30                  | 1.59         | 2.81 | 49.6                               | 50.2                               | 3.9                     | 58.6          |
| 130                | 46.5         | 37                  | 1.49         | 2.54 | 49.6                               | 50.4                               | 3.9                     | 59.1          |
| 150                | 46.2         | 49                  | 1.46         | 2.36 | 49.6                               | 50.4                               | 3.9                     | 59.7          |
| 180                | 46.7         | 33                  | 1.42         | 2.25 | 49.4                               | 50.3                               | 3.9                     | 59.3          |
| 200                | 45.8         | 35                  | 1.41         | 2.15 | 48.9                               | 50.1                               | 3.9                     | 58.7          |
| 220                | 45.6         | 33                  | 1.40         | 2.18 | 48.1                               | 49.9                               | 4.0                     | 58.1          |
| 250                | 45.5         | 53                  | 1.38         | 2.27 | 47.6                               | 49.6                               | 4.0                     | 58.1          |



#### **Additional Notes**

- A. Performance and quality attributes and conditions not expressly stated in this specification document are intended to be excluded and do not form a part of this specification document.
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