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DL-ATM41 DATASHEET

ELEVEN PARAMETER WEATHER STATION FOR LORAWAN®

FEATURES

LoRaWAN®-enabled all-in-one weather station.

Packed with sensors: solar radiation, precipitation, air temperature, relative humidity, internal temperature, vapor pressure, barometric pressure, wind speed and direction, maximum wind speed, tilt sensor, lightning strike count and average lightning distance.

No moving parts.

Accurate at low wind speeds because no moving parts will cause friction or fail.

Designed for continuous deployment in harsh climates.

Integrated spring acts as a rain gauge filter to keep out large particles.

Cable length: 5 m.

Compatible with LoRaWAN® networks of any provider.

Place and measure: no setup required.

Configurable via command line interface and downlink command interface.

Unattended real-time monitoring for several months without replacing batteries.

Standard alkaline (C-type) batteries.

CE compliant, Radio Equipment Directive (RED) 2014/53/EU.

APPLICATIONS

Outdoor remote monitoring.

Meteorology.

Smart agriculture.

Urban heat islands.

Frost alarming.

Micro climate.

Building automation.

DESCRIPTION

Sensor data are transmitted in real-time using LoRaWAN[®] radio technology. LoRaWAN[®] enables encrypted radio transmissions over long distances while consuming very little power. The user can obtain sensor data through Decentlab's data storage and visualization system, or through the user's own infrastructure. Visit www.decentlab.com for more information about Decentlab's data cloud service.

DEVICE VARIANTS

Name	Variant
DL-ATM41-001	001

DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS

DEVICE LOGGING FUNCTION

Sampling interval	10 min (configurable through the user interfaces)
Data upload interval	10 min (configurable through the user interfaces)
Reported sensor data (average of samples)	Solar radiation Precipitation Lightning strike count, average distance Wind speed, direction, maximum wind speed Air temperature Vapor pressure Barometric pressure Relative humidity, internal sensor temperature Tilt angle, X and Y orientation North wind speed, east wind speed Battery voltage
SD-card logging	Optional

SOLAR RADIATION

Operating principle	Silicon-cell pyranometer
Measurement range	0 ... 1750 W/m ²
Resolution	1 W/m ²
Accuracy	±5 % (typical)

PRECIPITATION

Operating principle	Electronic drop counter (no moving parts)
Measurement range	0 ... 400 mm/h
Resolution	0.017 mm
Accuracy	±5 % (0 ... 50 mm/h)

VAPOR PRESSURE

Measurement range	0 ... 47 kPa
Resolution	0.01 kPa
Accuracy	±0.2 kPa (typical below 40 °C)

RELATIVE HUMIDITY

Measurement range	0 ... 100 % RH
Resolution	0.1 % RH
Accuracy	±3 % RH (typical)

AIR TEMPERATURE

Operating principle	Stainless steel needle containing a thermistor
Measurement range	-50 ... 60 °C
Resolution	0.1 °C
Accuracy	±0.6 °C

INTERNAL TEMPERATURE

Measurement range	-40 ... 50 °C
Resolution	0.1 °C
Accuracy	±1.0 °C

BAROMETRIC PRESSURE

Measurement range	50 ... 110 kPa
Resolution	0.01 kPa
Accuracy	±0.1 kPa (-10 ... 50 °C) ±0.5 kPa (-40 ... 60 °C)

ANEMOMETER (WIND SPEED AND DIRECTION)

Operating principle	Ultrasonic wind speed measurement in 2 dimensions. Reported values: average wind speed vector (speed and direction) and maximum speed.
Measurement range	0 ... 30 m/s 0° ... 359°
Resolution	0.01 m/s 1°
Accuracy	0.3 m/s or 3 % (whichever is greater) ±5°

TILT

Operating principle	Accelerometer (MEMS)
Measurement range	-90 ... 90° (0° is level)
Resolution	0.1°
Accuracy	±1°

LIGHTNING STRIKE

Operating principle	Radio frequency detection
Measurement range	0 ... 65535 strikes 0 ... 40 km distance
Resolution	1 strike 3 km
Accuracy	Variable with distance, > 25 % detection at < 10 km typical

RADIO / WIRELESS

Wireless technology	LoRaWAN®
Wireless security	AES-128 data encryption
LoRaWAN® device type	Class A end-device
Supported LoRaWAN® features	OTAA, ABP, ADR, adaptive channel setup
Wireless range	> 10 km (line of sight ¹), approx. 2 km (suburban)
RF transmit power	14 dBm (25 mW)
Effective radiated power	11.9 dBm maximum ²
Receiver sensitivity	-146 dBm ³
Frequency bands	868 MHz (EU version), 915 MHz (US, AS, AU versions) ⁴
Antenna	Integrated omnidirectional antenna featuring a near-perfect radiation pattern ²

POWER SUPPLY

Internal battery type	2 × alkaline C batteries (LR14)
Power consumption (average)	≤ 3.2 mW (10 min interval)
Battery lifetime estimation ⁵	10.2 months (10 min interval, SF7) 8.5 months (10 min interval, SF12) 10.6 months (60 min interval, SF7) 10.2 months (60 min interval, SF12)

OPERATING CONDITIONS

Temperature	-20 ... 50 °C
Humidity	0 ... 100 % RH

1 Decentlab reports successful transmissions over 56 km distance and more

2 See Appendix A: Antenna performance

3 Specified by radio chip vendor

4 Contact us for region specific options

5 Including alkaline battery self-discharge of 3.6 % per year (conservative estimation); battery capacity: 20000 mWh.

MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Enclosure dimensions	135 × 81 × 70 mm (not including sensor / cable)
Enclosure material	Polycarbonate; weatherproof, impact-, UV-resistant (IP66/IP67). Pressure equalizer plug with PTFE membrane (IP68).
Cable length	5 m
Sensor dimensions	Height: 340 mm, diameter: 100 mm
Weight	1290 g including batteries and sensor (1160 g without batteries)

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The product usually requires no user interaction. If you open the enclosure, e.g. in order to replace the batteries, unscrew the four plastic screws and carefully open the lid.

CAUTION: Make sure the sensor unit does not drop out of the enclosure while opening! Do not touch the electronic components and sensors!

NOTE: When closing the lid, make sure the lid is fitted the right way, so that the enclosure is properly sealed: A little nose in the enclosure fits a notch in the lid and vice versa.

REPLACING BATTERIES

Insert 2 high-quality alkaline C batteries (LR14) into the battery holder on the back side of the sensor unit. The device operates until the battery voltage drops to 2.0 V. Always replace both battery cells with two identical fresh batteries.

USER BUTTON AND LEDES

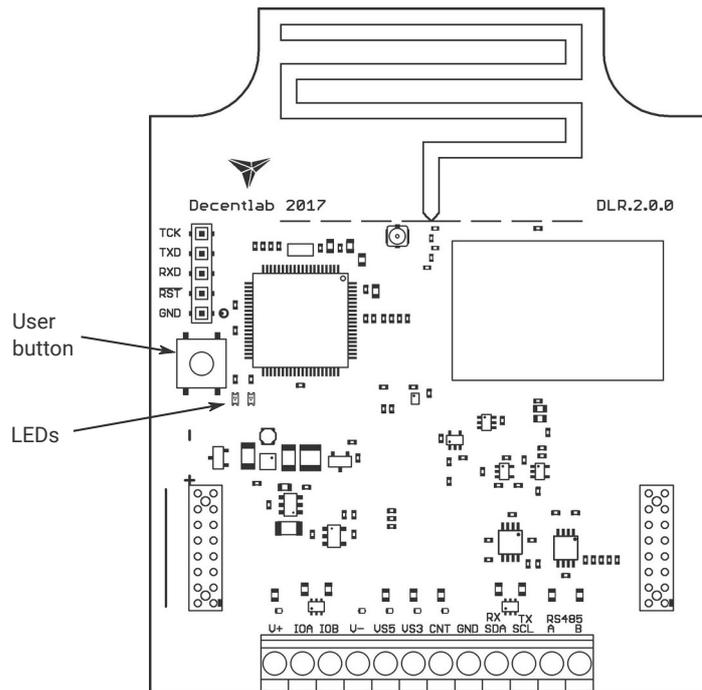


Illustration 1: Sensor unit showing the user button and LEDs. The battery holder is on the back side of the sensor unit.

OPERATING MODES

The device has four operating modes:

- Reset: System (re-)start; both LEDs fade in and out.
- Active mode (ON): Periodic measurements and data transmissions; green LED flashes for each measurement.
- Sleep mode (OFF): No measurements and data transmissions (power save mode, for shelf storage). LEDs are off.
- Test mode: Measurements and data transmissions at fastest possible rates; blue LED is on.
NOTE: Use only momentarily, e.g. for testing the sensor or the wireless connection. The device will switch automatically to active mode after 20 minutes.

SWITCHING BETWEEN OPERATING MODES

The user button allows to switch between the operating modes as shown in Illustration 2 and Illustration 3. To perform a device reset, switch to sleep mode first (if necessary) by pushing and holding the button for 3 seconds until the LEDs flash three times; wait 3 seconds; then push and hold the button for 3 seconds until the LEDs fade in and out. To switch between active and test mode, push the button for 1 second (blue LED on / off). If the blue LED is off, the device is in active or sleep mode. If the blue LED is on, the device is in test mode.

HINT: To check whether the device is active or in sleep mode (on or off), push the button twice; if the blue LED goes on and off, the device is in active mode; otherwise, the device is in sleep mode.

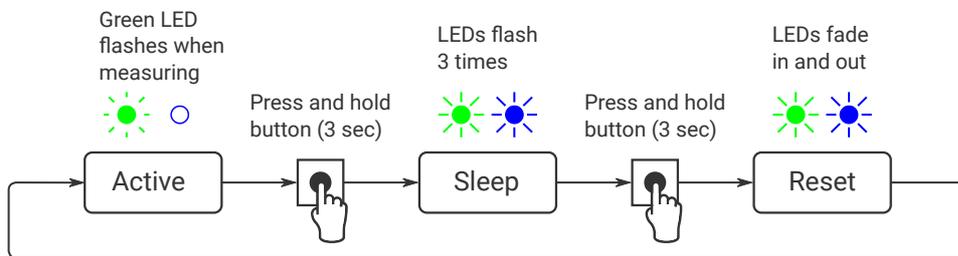


Illustration 2: Switching between active and sleep mode (switch off / on, reset).

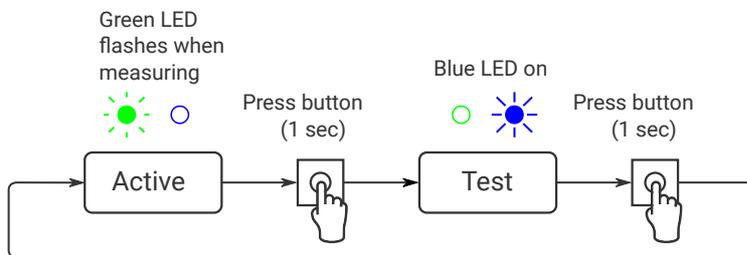


Illustration 3: Switching between active and test mode.

MEASUREMENT CYCLE (ACTIVE MODE)

During the active mode, the device periodically reads the sensors with sampling period $T_s = 10$ minutes (default, configurable). When the send period $T_{TX} = n \cdot T_s$ (default: $n = 1$, configurable) has expired, the device computes the average of the collected sensor values (at most 20 values). After a random delay of 0 ... 8 seconds, the device transmits the aggregated sensor data. If the device has not yet joined the LoRaWAN® network, it will try to join until it succeeds (maximum 3 attempts per sampling period). Afterwards, it will transmit the data (TX data). Following the data transmission, two receive slots are opened (RX1 and RX2). During these time slots, the device is ready to receive data from the network (downlink messages) as defined in the LoRaWAN® specification.

As shown in the diagrams, the device is idle most of the time. During the idle time, the current consumption is extremely low.

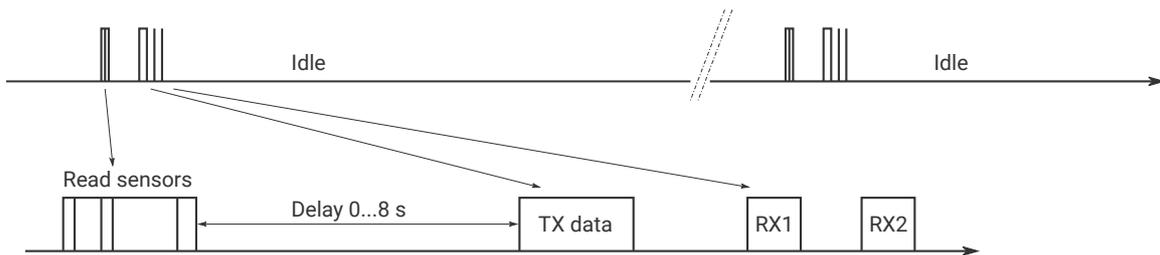


Illustration 4: Device activity during the active mode.

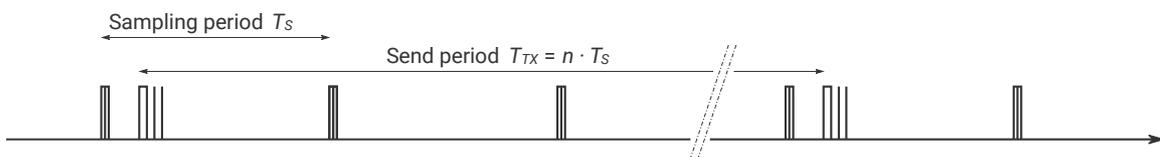


Illustration 5: Sampling period vs. send period. Default: $T_s = 10$ min, $T_{TX} = 1 \cdot 10$ min = 10 min.

LED SIGNALING (ACTIVE MODE)

- Read sensors: green LED flashes once.
- Data sent successfully: green LED flashes 2 times.
- Data could not be sent: green LED flashes 4 times.

DEVICE CONFIGURATION

The user can configure a rich set of device parameters, such as sampling interval, LoRaWAN[®] data rate, ADR settings and many more. If desired, the parameter settings can be stored permanently in the internal non-volatile memory. The user can configure the device via two interfaces:

- Command line interface: via a serial cable (UART – USB) connected to a computer.
- Downlink command interface: over the air using LoRaWAN[®] downlink messages.

For a full description of the command line interface and the downlink command interface, please find the specific documents on www.decentlab.com/support.

MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS

For best radio performance, install the device upright with the cable towards ground; ideally, in such a way that the device lid faces roughly in the direction of the next gateway. Also, the higher above ground, the better. Avoid metallic objects close to the device.

The housing includes 4 threaded bushes (M4) in a 90 × 60 mm rectangle (see Illustration 6). This enables easy installation using standard M4 bolts.

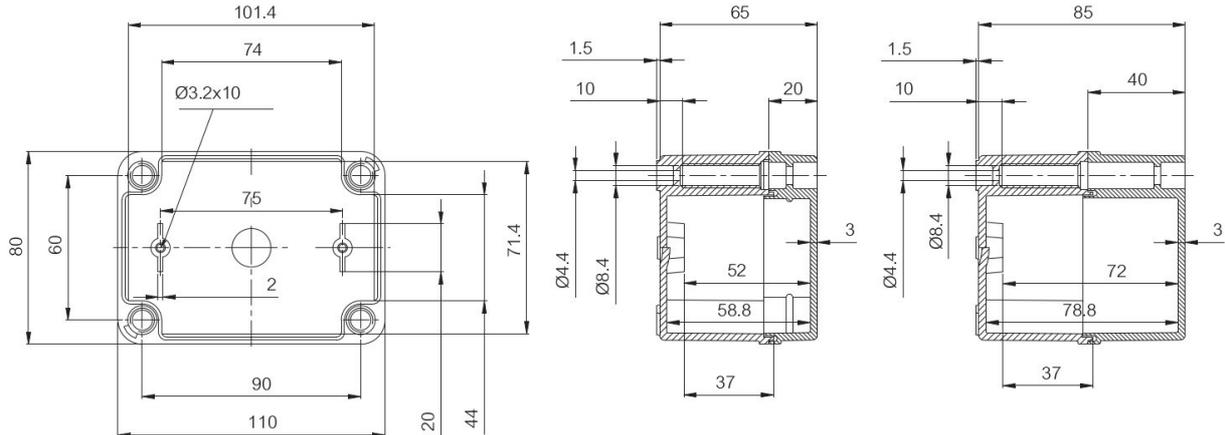


Illustration 6: Housing dimensions (in mm). Note: Drawing not including cable gland and sensor.

ORDERING INFORMATION

REFERENCE	VERSION	REGION (LORAWAN)
DL-ATM41-001-EU868	001	Europe
DL-ATM41-001-US915	001	North America
DL-ATM41-001-AS923	001	Asia
DL-ATM41-001-AU915	001	Australia, South America

Other options: contact us

SENSOR DATA MESSAGE FORMAT

Message:

Header	Sensor 0 data (optional)	Sensor 1 data (opt.)	...	Sensor 15 data (opt.)
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- Message length is variable, depending on which sensor data are included. Minimum length is 5 bytes (header only). Maximum length is 5 bytes + all sensor data (see below).
- Integers are big endian: MSB first byte, LSB last byte.

Header:

Version	Device ID	Flags
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- Version: 1 byte; version = 2 for current protocol version.
- Device ID: 2 bytes; 0...65535.
- Flags: 16 bits: flag 15 | flag 14 | ... | flag 0 (LSB).
- The flags indicate, if data of the respective sensors are included in the message or not: Flag n == 1: sensor n data included; flag n == 0: not included.

DECODER SOFTWARE

For message decoder software, please go to <https://www.decentlab.com/support>, where you find code examples in JavaScript and other programming languages.

DETAILS

FIELD	PARAMETER NAME	TYPE	CONVERSION	UNIT
Header	Version	uint8		
Header	Device ID	uint16		
Header	Flags	uint16		
Sensor 0	Solar radiation	uint16	$x - 32768$	W/m ²
Sensor 0	Precipitation	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 1000$	mm
Sensor 0	Lightning strike count	uint16	$x - 32768$	
Sensor 0	Lightning average distance	uint16	$x - 32768$	km
Sensor 0	Wind speed	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 100$	m/s
Sensor 0	Wind direction	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 10$	°
Sensor 0	Maximum wind speed	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 100$	m/s
Sensor 0	Air temperature	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 10$	°C
Sensor 0	Vapor pressure	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 100$	kPa
Sensor 0	Barometric pressure	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 100$	kPa
Sensor 0	Relative humidity	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 10$	%

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Sensor 0	Internal temperature	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 10$	°C
Sensor 0	Tilt angle, X orientation (0° is level)	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 10$	°
Sensor 0	Tilt angle, Y orientation (0° is level)	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 10$	°
Sensor 0	Compass (0°: not implemented)	uint16	$x - 32768$	°
Sensor 0	North wind speed	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 100$	m/s
Sensor 0	East wind speed	uint16	$(x - 32768) / 100$	m/s
Sensor 1	Battery voltage	uint16	$x / 1000$	V

EXAMPLE 1 (ALL SENSOR DATA INCLUDED)

Message (hex):

02035a0003800a8000800080008009812b8014810880b4a57c820c810980027fe88000800880040bf5

02	Version	=	2	
035a	Device ID	=	858	
0003	Flags	=	0b0000000000000011	
800a	Solar radiation	=	10	W/m2
8000	Precipitation	=	0.000	mm
8000	Lightning strike count	=	0	
8000	Lightning average distance	=	0	km
8009	Wind speed	=	0.09	m/s
812b	Wind direction	=	29.9	deg
8014	Maximum wind speed	=	0.20	m/s
8108	Air temperature	=	26.4	deg
80b4	Vapor pressure	=	1.80	kPa
a57c	Barometric pressure	=	95.96	kPa
820c	Relative humidity	=	52.4	%
8109	Internal temperature	=	26.5	deg
8002	Tilt angle, X orientation	=	0.2	deg
7fe8	Tilt angle, Y orientation	=	-2.4	deg
8000	Compass (0°: not implemented)	=	0	deg
8008	North wind speed	=	0.08	m/s
8004	East wind speed	=	0.04	m/s
0bf5	Battery voltage	=	3.061	V

EXAMPLE 2 (ONLY BATTERY VOLTAGE)

Message (hex):

02035a00020bf5

02	Version	=	2	
035a	Device ID	=	858	
0002	Flags	=	0b0000000000000010	
----	Solar radiation	=	---	W/m2
----	Precipitation	=	---	mm
----	Lightning strike count	=	---	
----	Lightning average distance	=	---	km
----	Wind speed	=	---	m/s
----	Wind direction	=	---	deg
----	Maximum wind speed	=	---	m/s
----	Air temperature	=	---	deg
----	Vapor pressure	=	---	kPa
----	Barometric pressure	=	---	kPa
----	Relative humidity	=	---	%
----	Internal temperature	=	---	deg
----	Tilt angle, X orientation	=	---	deg
----	Tilt angle, Y orientation	=	---	deg
----	Compass (0°: not implemented)	=	---	deg
----	North wind speed	=	---	m/s
----	East wind speed	=	---	m/s
0bf5	Battery voltage	=	3.061	V

DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

We,

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declare under our own responsibility that the product

Reference	Name
DL-ATM41-xxx-EU868	Eleven Parameter Weather Station for LoRaWAN®

to which this declaration refers conforms with the relevant standards or other standards documents

- EN 300 220-1 V3.1.1: 2017-02
- EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1: 2017-02
- EN 301 489-1 V2.2.0: 2017-03
- EN 301 489-3 V2.1.1: 2017-03

According to

- Radio Equipment Directive (RED) 2014/53/EU
- Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Directive 2014/30/EU

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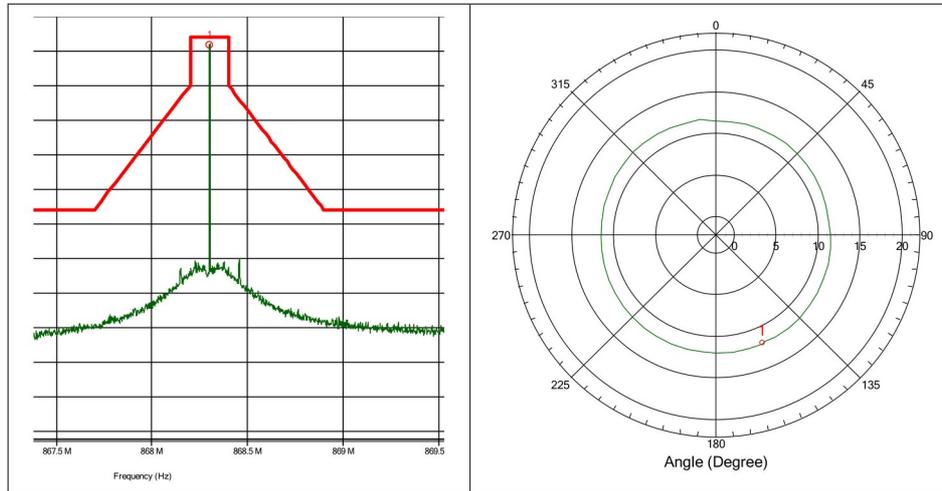
APPENDIX A: ANTENNA PERFORMANCE

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Measurement Results:

EUT	DLR1-LP8		
Test performed	Effective radiated power (ERP)		
Verdict, Test	Pass		
Modification	None		
Mode of operation	Transmitter mode		
Test date, time	13.06.2018 09:37:06		
Antenna height	1.30 m	Antenna polarization	Vertical
EUT position	0 to 360 Degree	Antenna distance	3 m
Measurement settings	Radimation Version: 2017.1.6, RBW: 1 kHz, VBW: 300 kHz, Sweep time: Auto [120 ms], Step freq: Linear: 250 Hz steps, Attenuator: Auto [10 dB], Internal preamp: 20 dB, Measure time: 10 ms, Measurement equipment: TP_RE_30M-1G_ETSI_Ver		



Detected peaks

Peak Number	Frequency	Peak	Peak Difference	Status	Angle	Height	Polarization
1	868.302 MHz	11.9 dBm	-2.14 dB	Pass	157 Degree	1.3 m	Vertical

Limits:

ETSI EN 300 220-2, Table C.1 OFB: 863 MHz to 870 MHz <= 0.1% duty cycle or polite spectrum access	25 mW e.r.p (14 dBm)
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