

Model 3142E

BiConiLog™ Antenna

User Manual



Model 3142E shown in horizontal polarization

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Notes, Cautions, and Warnings



Note: Denotes helpful information intended to provide tips for better use of the product.



Caution: Denotes a hazard. Failure to follow instructions could result in minor personal injury and/or property damage. Included text gives proper procedures.



Warning: Denotes a hazard. Failure to follow instructions could result in SEVERE personal injury and/or property damage. Included text gives proper procedures.



Note: See the ETS-Lindgren *Product Information Bulletin* for safety, regulatory, and other product marking information.

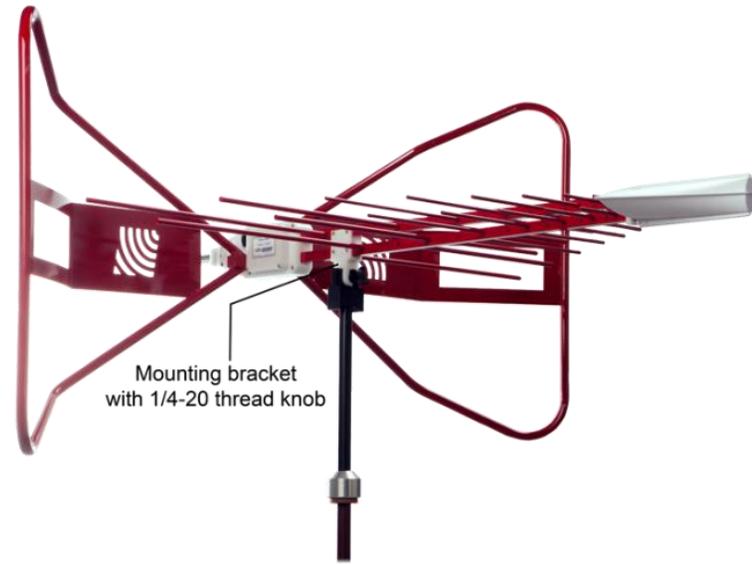
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1.0 Introduction

The **ETS-Lindgren Model 3142E BiConiLog™ Antenna** is designed as a dual-purpose antenna that can be used for both immunity and emission testing. From 30 MHz to 6 GHz, the Model 3142E exhibits an average 5.5 dB gain. Applications for the Model 3142E include emissions testing, immunity measurements, and medical equipment testing.



Model 3142E shown in vertical polarization



Model 3142E shown in horizontal polarization

The Model 3142E includes a stinger mount; it also includes a mounting bracket and 1/4–20 thread knob to attach to an ETS-Lindgren tripod or tower adapter. For the variety of mounting options available for the Model 3142E, see *Mounting Instructions* on page 19.

Tripod Options

ETS-Lindgren offers the following non-metallic, non-reflective tripods for use at both indoor and outdoor EMC test sites.



Note: For easy horizontal and vertical polarization, the ETS-Lindgren Model 7-TR tripod is recommended.

- **4-TR Tripod**—Constructed of linen phenolic and delrin, designed with an adjustable center post for precise height adjustments. Maximum height is 2.0 m (80.0 in), and minimum height is 94 cm (37.0 in). This tripod can support up to an 11.8 kg (26.0 lb) load.



- **7-TR Tripod**—Constructed of PVC and fiberglass components, providing increased stability for physically large antennas. The unique design allows for quick assembly, disassembly, and convenient storage. Allows several different configurations, including options for manual or pneumatic polarization. Quick height adjustment and locking wheels provide ease of use during testing. Maximum height is 2.17 m (85.8 in), with a minimum height of 0.8 m (31.8 in). This tripod can support a 13.5 kg (30 lb) load.



ETS-Lindgren Product Information Bulletin

See the ETS-Lindgren *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment for the following:

- Warranty information
- Safety, regulatory, and other product marking information
- Steps to receive your shipment
- Steps to return a component for service
- ETS-Lindgren calibration service
- ETS-Lindgren contact information

2.0 Maintenance



CAUTION: Before performing any maintenance, follow the safety information in the ETS-Lindgren *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment.



WARNING: Maintenance of the Model 3142E is limited to external components such as cables or connectors.



If you have any questions concerning maintenance, contact ETS-Lindgren Customer Service.

Replacement and Optional Parts



Note: ETS-Lindgren may substitute a similar part or new part number with the same functionality for another part/part number. Contact ETS-Lindgren for questions about part numbers and ordering parts.

Following are the part numbers for ordering replacement or optional parts for the Model 3142E.

Part Description	Part Number
Polarizing Mounting Adapter	100989
Thread Insert	105861



Note: For additional/optional mounting hardware, see *Additional Mounting Options* on page 25.

Service Procedures

CONTACTING ETS-LINDGREN



Note: Please see www.ets-lindgren.com for a list of ETS-Lindgren offices, including phone and email contact information.

SENDING A COMPONENT FOR SERVICE

For the steps to return a system or system component to ETS-Lindgren for service, see the *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment.

CALIBRATION SERVICES AND ANNUAL CALIBRATION

See the *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment for information on ETS-Lindgren calibration services.

3.0 Specifications

Electrical Specifications

Frequency Range:	30 MHz–6 GHz	
Input Impedance (Nominal):	50 Ω	
VSWR (Average):	2:1 above 50 MHz	
Maximum Continuous Power	Continuous	Peak
30 MHz—60 MHz:	500 W	800 W
60 MHz—600 MHz:	1 kW	1.5 kW
600 MHz—1 GHz:	500 W	800 W
1 GHz—6 GHz:	200 W	300 W
Peak Power:	1.3 kW	
Pattern Type:	Directional	
Polarization:	Linear	
Connector:	Type N female	

Physical Specifications

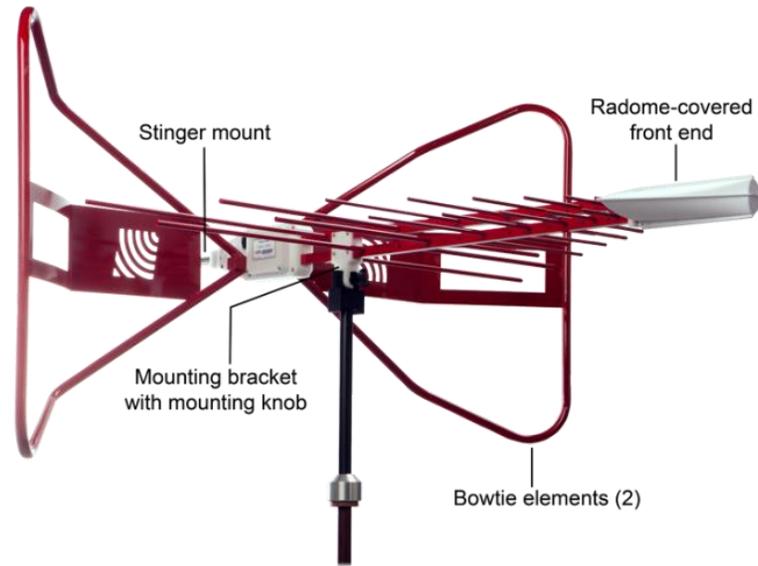
Height (Overall):	76.2 cm (30 in)
Length:	139.16 cm (54.79 in)
Width:	133.75 cm (52.66 in)
Weight:	5.7 kg (12.5 lb)

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4.0 Assembly Instructions



CAUTION: Before connecting any components, follow the safety information in the ETS-Lindgren *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment.



The Model 3142E BiConiLog™ Antenna is comprised of the following parts:

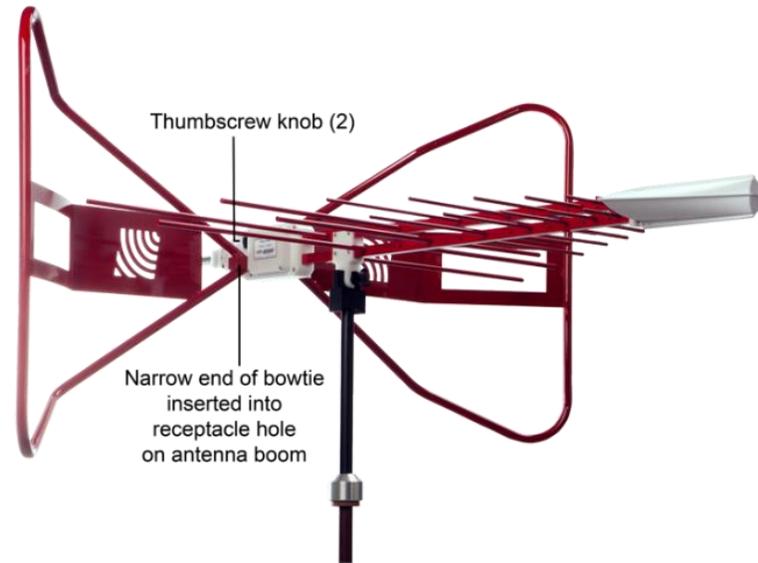
- Antenna
- Bowtie elements (2)
- 10–32 thumbscrew knobs to attach bowtie elements (2)
- Mounting bracket and mounting knob

Attach Bowtie Elements

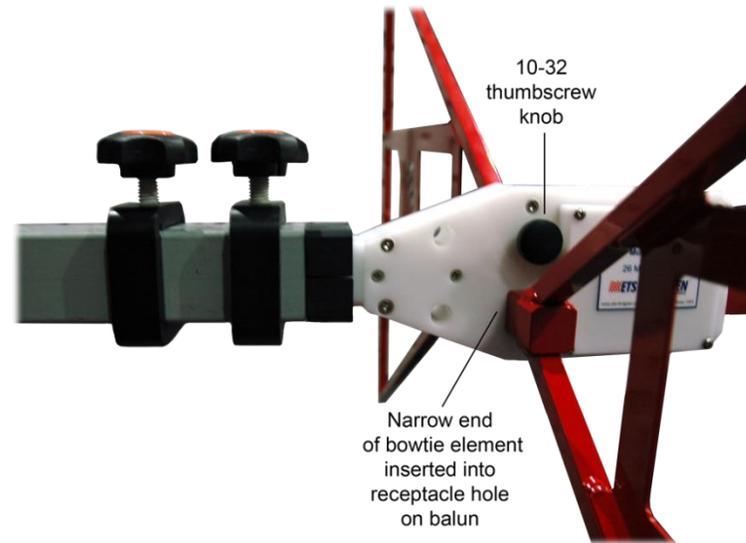


Note: Photos of bowtie elements used in this section may differ from the bowtie elements for your Model 3142E; the assembly procedure is the same for both.

The Model 3142E ships with the bowtie elements detached. To attach the bowtie elements:



1. For stability, mount the Model 3142E onto a tripod or tower. See *Mounting Instructions* on page 19 for the steps to mount the antenna.



2. Slide the narrow end of one of the bowtie elements into the receptacle hole on the antenna balun, and then align the bowtie with the receptacle on the balun.



Caution: Do not cross thread this connection or permanent damage to the bowtie element could occur.

3. Insert one of the 10–32 thumbscrew knobs into the opposite side of the balun from where you inserted the bowtie. Slowly tighten the knob, taking care not to cross thread the connection.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for the second bowtie element.

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5.0 Mounting Instructions



CAUTION: Before connecting any components, follow the safety information in the ETS-Lindgren *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment.



CAUTION: The Model 3142E antenna is a precision measurement device. Handle with care.

Contact with any metal or non-metallic structure can capacitively load the antenna, which may cause unrepeatable results. Therefore, make sure that no part of the dipole elements or bowties is in contact with the tripod or tower, particularly in vertically-polarized tests. Where possible, run the feed cable straight one meter or more back from the Model 3142E BiConiLog™ Antenna before dropping vertically.

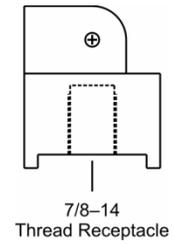


Note: Photos of bowtie elements used in this section may differ from the bowtie elements for your Model 3142E; the mounting procedure is the same for both.

Using Included Mounting Adapters

In addition to the attached mounting bracket and mounting knobs, the Model 3142E ships with these mounting adapters:

- **100989 Polarizing Mounting Adapter with 7/8–14 thread receptacle**



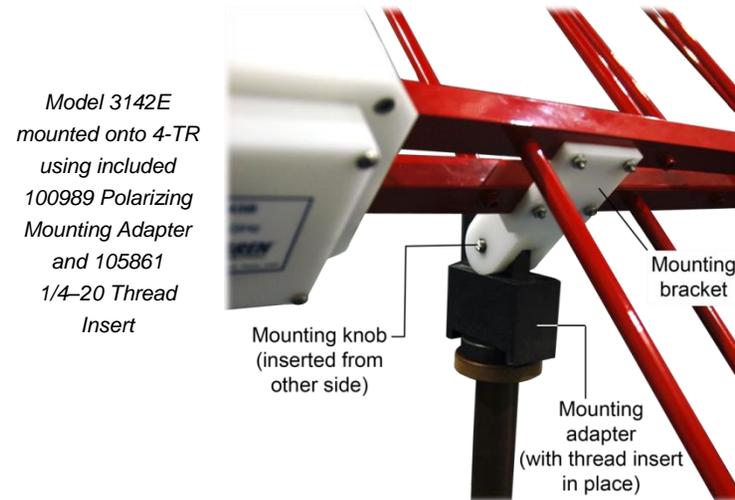
If you need to convert the polarizing adapter to a 1/4–20 receptacle, insert the 1/4–20 thread insert into the polarizing adapter



- **105861 1/4–20 Thread Insert**



To attach the included adapters to the Model 3142E:



1. If required, insert the 1/4-20 thread insert into the mounting adapter.
2. Remove the mounting knob from the mounting bracket on the antenna.
3. Slide the mounting bracket onto the mounting adapter with the adapter placed between the shoulders of the mounting bracket.
4. Thread the mounting knob through the mounting bracket, then through the mounting adapter, and finally through the hex nut.
5. Tighten the mounting knob to secure the antenna.



Caution: Do not cross thread or permanent damage to the adapter and thread insert could occur.

6. Attach the mounting adapter and antenna to tripod or tower, as required.

Using the Stinger to Mount to a Model 2175 MiniMast



Note: Do not use the stinger to mount the Model 3142E onto a 4-TR tripod.

The stinger mount provides on-axis rotation during 90° horizontal or vertical polarization. The stinger enables you to mount the antenna directly to an ETS-Lindgren 7-TR Tripod or mast.



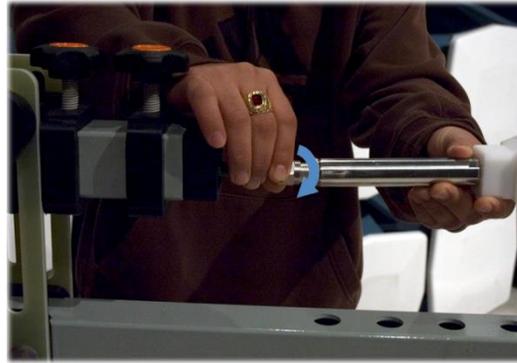
Note: Before you begin –

- Install the center rotate boom (part# 108507) for rear-mount stinger-type antennas.
- Attach the included mounting adapter to the Model 3142E as instructed in *Using Included Mounting Adapters* on page 20.
- You will need one of the optional mounting knobs described in *7-TR and Mast Mounting Options* on page 26. To order optional mounting hardware, contact the ETS-Lindgren Sales Department.

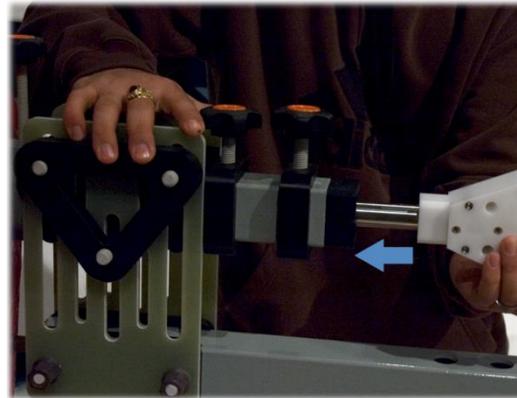
1. Thread the antenna feed or receiving cable through the center of the boom so that the antenna connector emerges a few inches out of the clamp end of the boom.



2. Attach the cable to the Type N connector at the end of the stinger.



3. Slide the cable and stinger into the clamp on the boom, carefully guiding the cable out the other end.



4. When you reach the back of the balun box, align it with the boom receptacle, and then slide the smaller portion of the balun box into the boom. This will prevent rotation of the antenna unless the boom is being polarized.



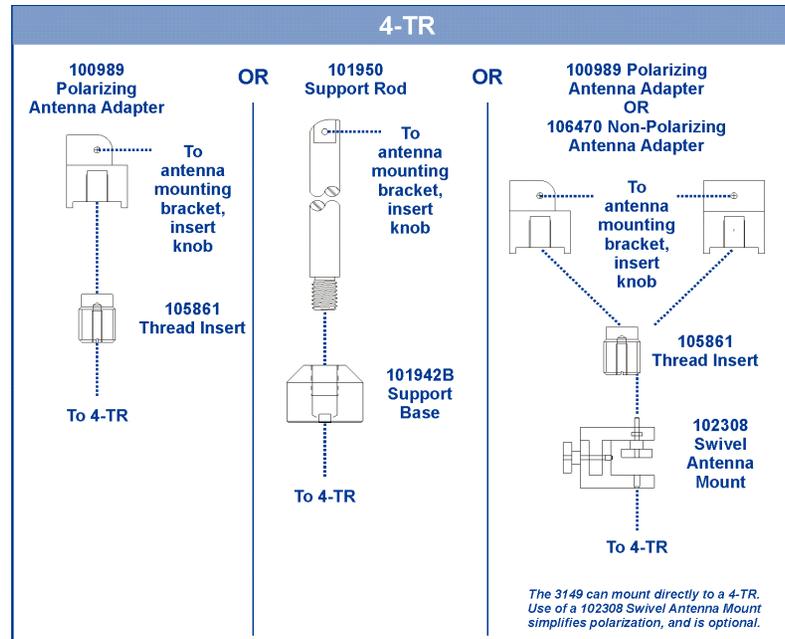
5. Tighten the clamp knobs on the boom to secure the antenna into place.



Additional Mounting Options

4-TR MOUNTING OPTIONS

Following are additional options for mounting the Model 3142E onto an ETS-Lindgren 4-TR tripod. Contact the ETS-Lindgren Sales Department for information on ordering optional mounting hardware.

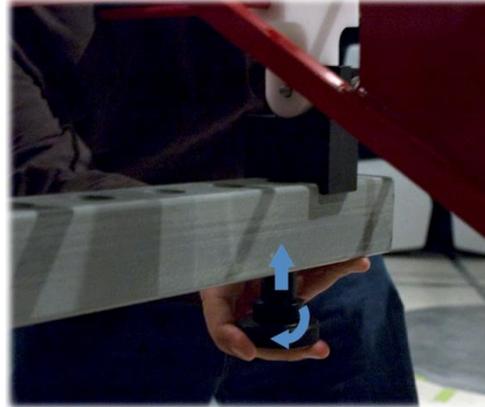


7-TR AND MAST MOUNTING OPTIONS

The stinger on the Model 3142E enables you to mount to antenna directly to an ETS-Lindgren 7-TR Tripod Positioner.

However, following are additional options for mounting the Model 3142E onto an ETS-Lindgren 7-TR Tripod Positioner.

Contact the ETS-Lindgren Sales Department for information on ordering optional mounting hardware.

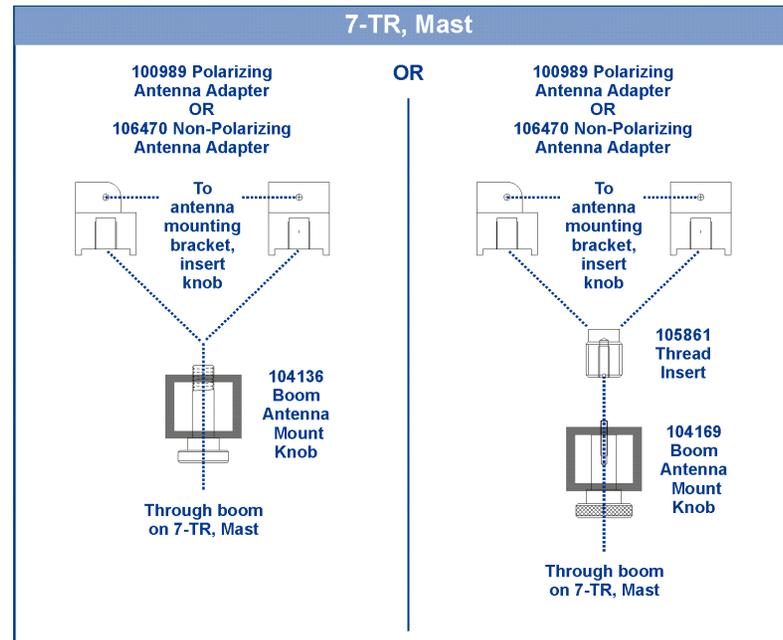


Non-stinger method to mount Model 3142E to 7-TR



Note: Mast refers to 2070 Series, 2075, and 2175 Antenna Towers.
7-TR refers to these booms –

- 109042 boom—Straight boom; for general antenna mounting on a 7-TR
- 108983 boom—Offset boom; for general antenna mounting on a 7-TR with pneumatic or manual polarization; can also be used to mount stinger-type antennas
- 118947 – for stinger-type antennas only

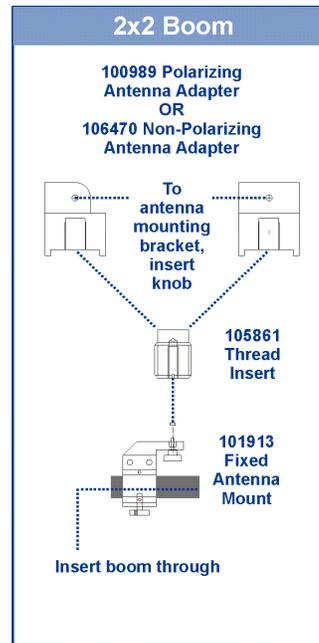


2x2 BOOM MOUNTING OPTIONS

Following are additional options for mounting the Model 3142E onto a 2x2 boom. Contact the ETS-Lindgren Sales Department for information on ordering optional mounting hardware.



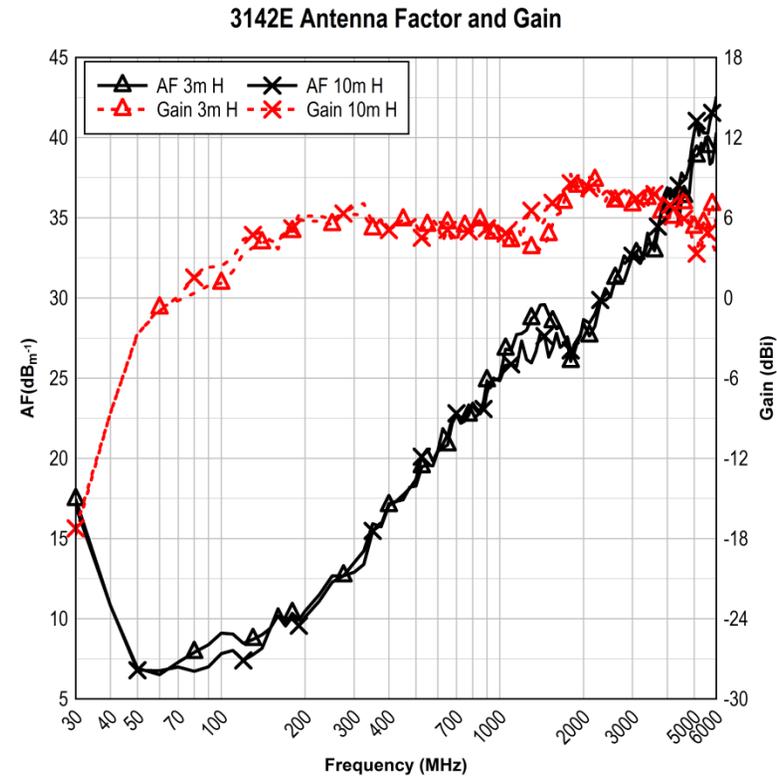
Note: 2x2 boom refers to a typical 2-inch by 2-inch boom.



6.0 Typical Data

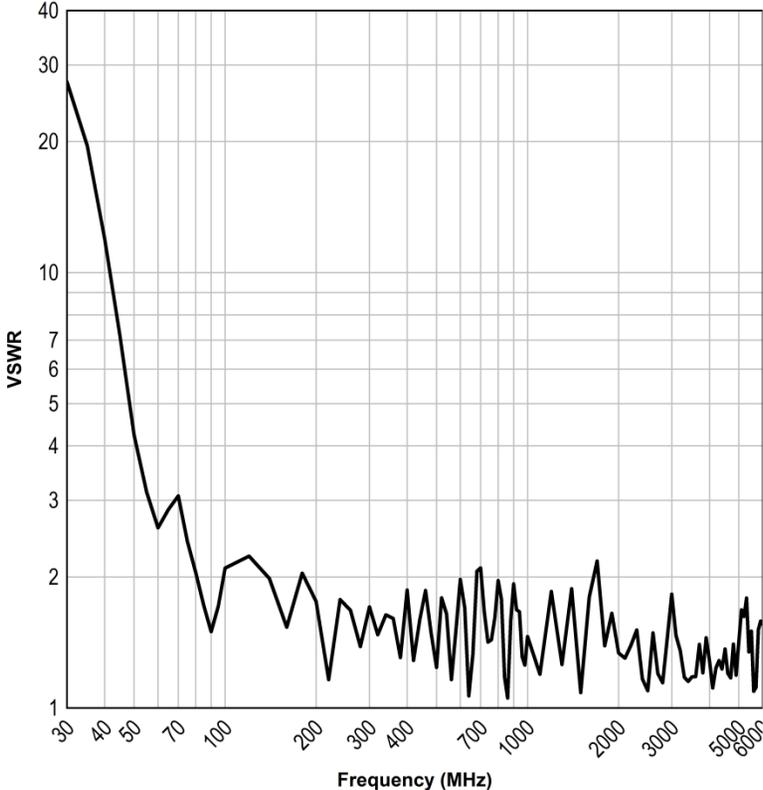
Typical Antenna Factor and Gain

Distance for the ANSI 3-meter and 10-meter calibrations is measured from the antenna midpoint, and for SAE 1-meter calibrations the distance is measured from the antenna tip. Midpoint is defined as half the distance between the small elements and the bowties, which is about 45 cm from the small end tip.

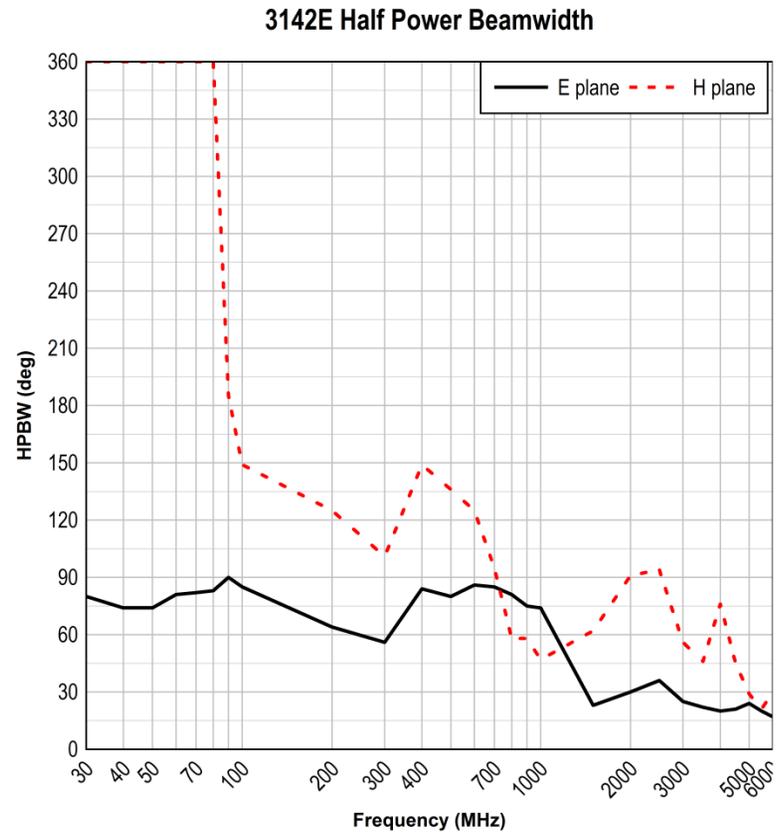


Typical VSWR

Typical VSWR model 3142E

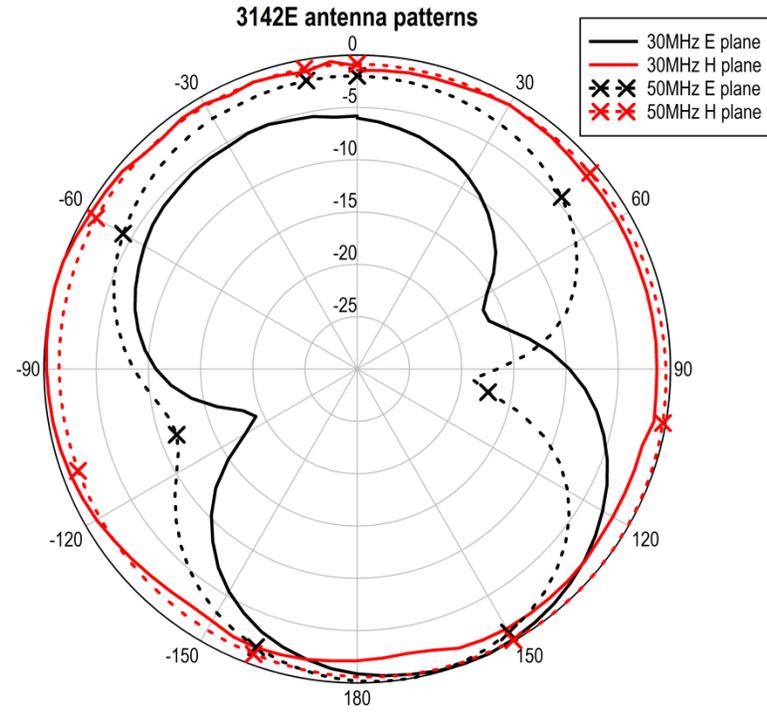


Typical Half Power Beamwidth

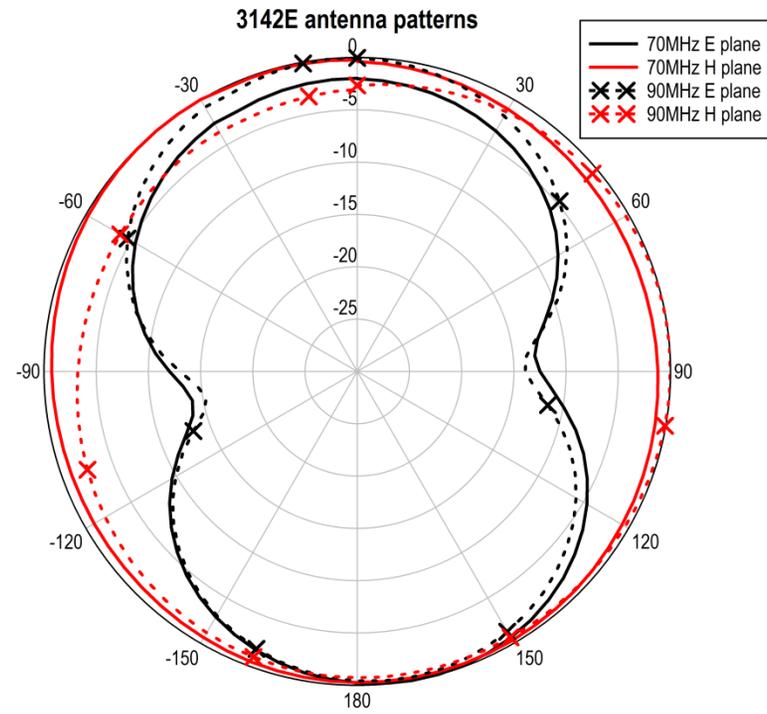


Typical Radiation Patterns

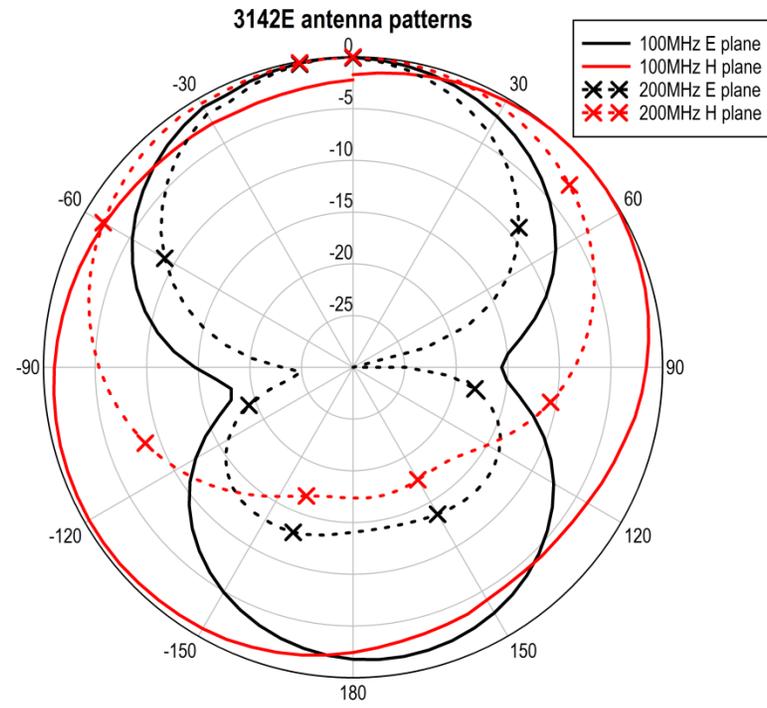
30 MHz—50 MHz



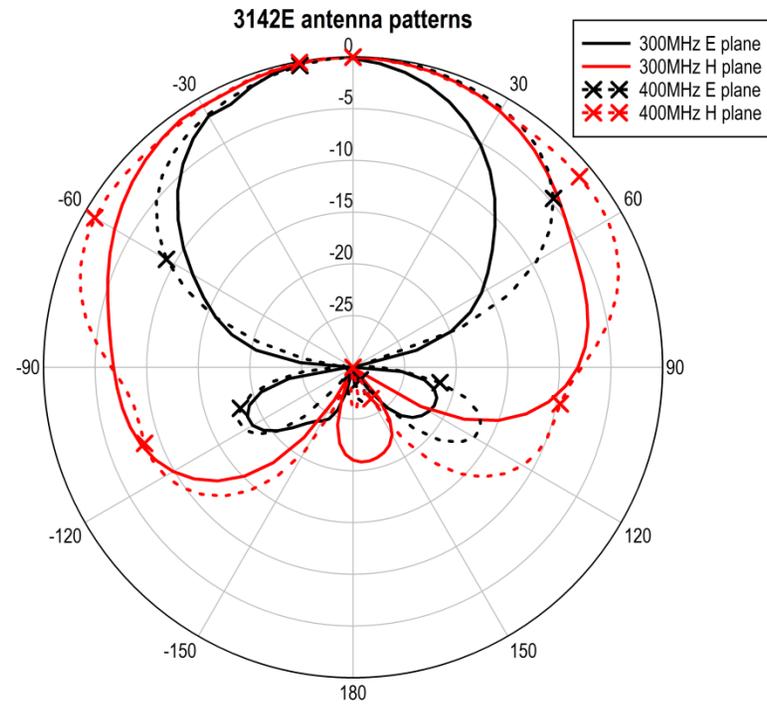
70 MHz—90 MHz



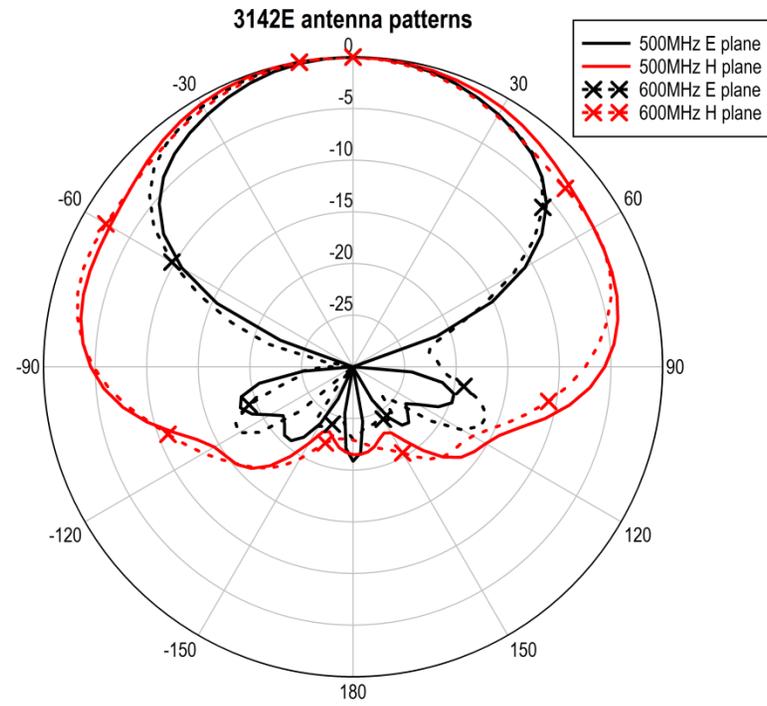
100 MHz—200 MHz



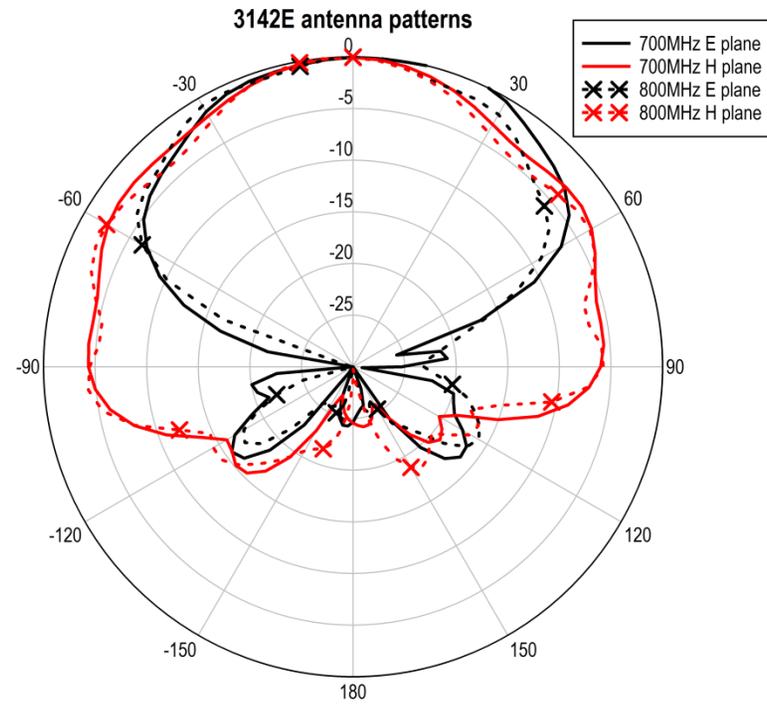
300 MHz—400 MHz



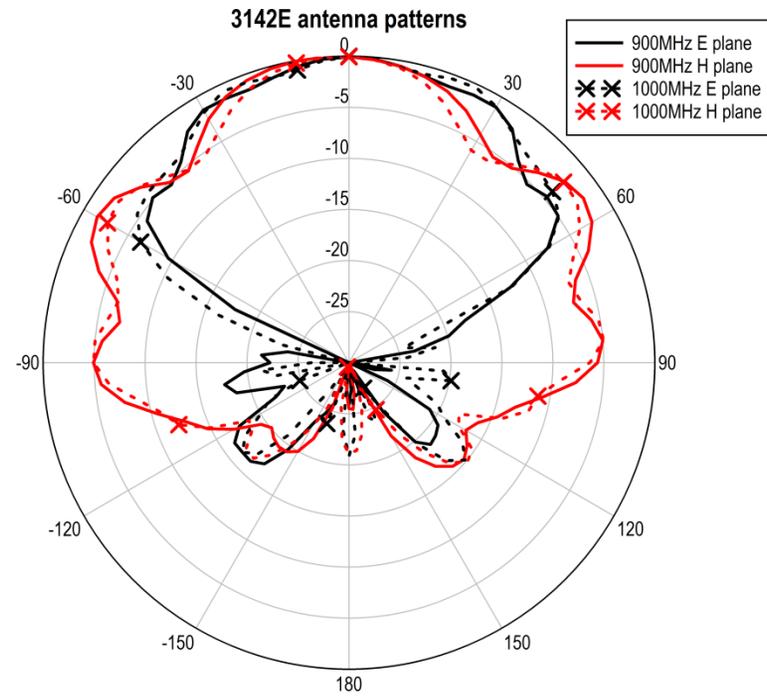
500 MHz—600 MHz



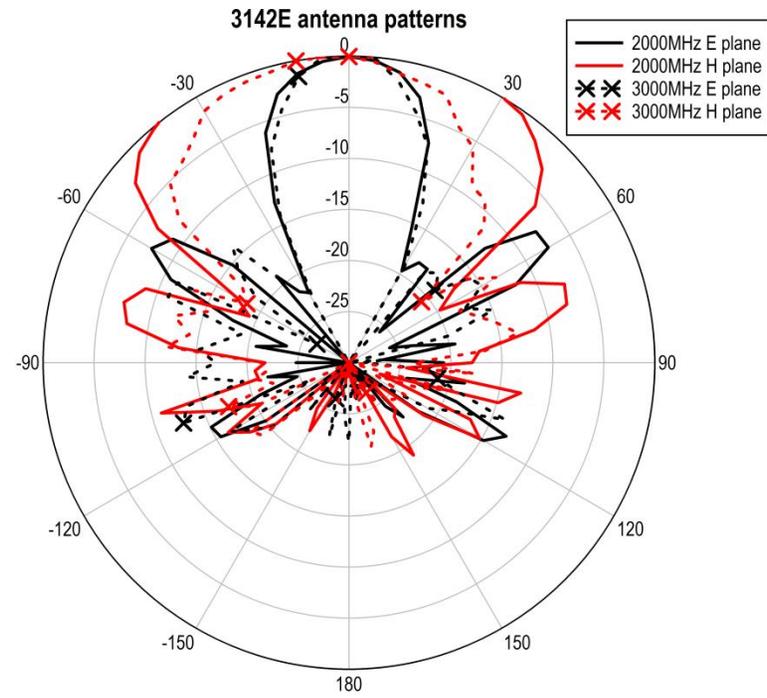
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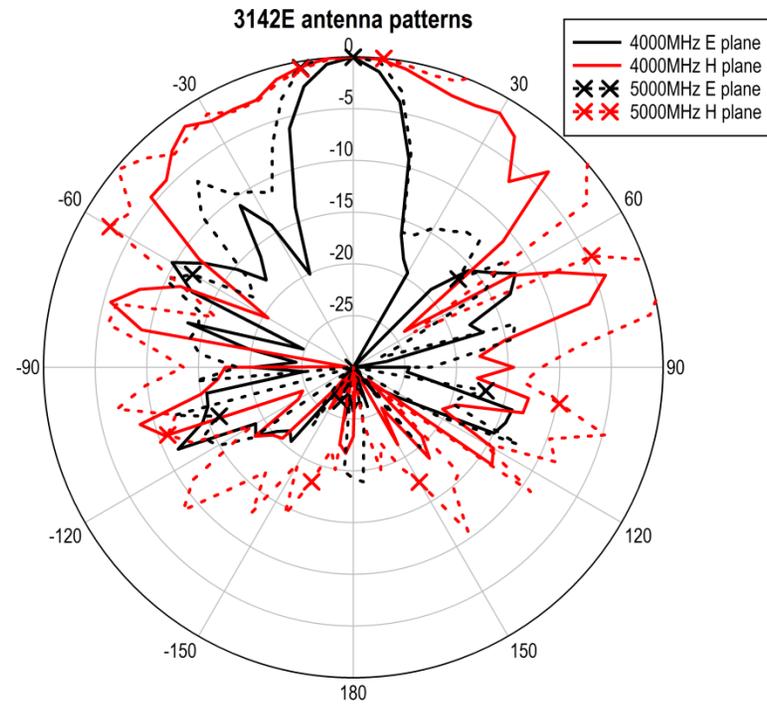
900 MHz—1000 MHz



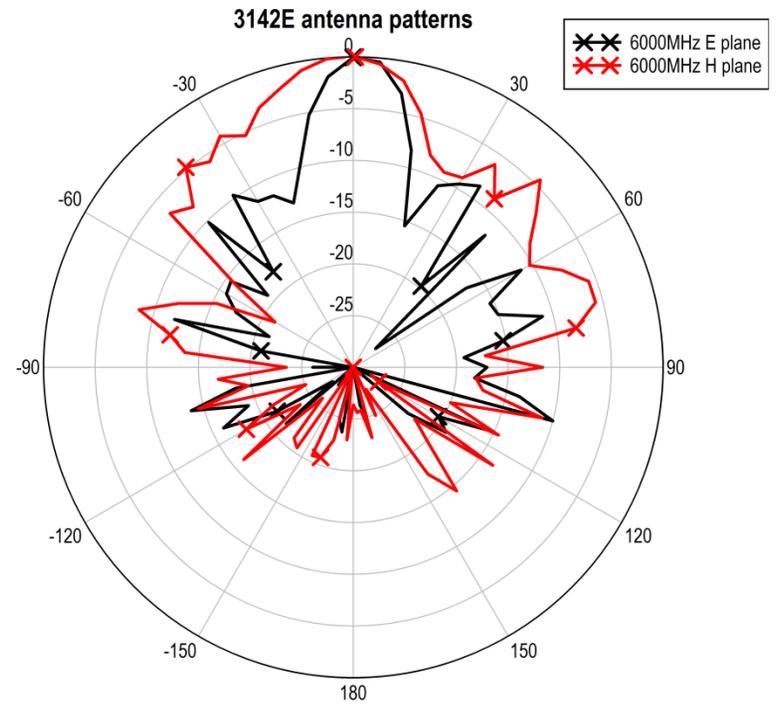
2000 MHz—3000 MHz



4000 MHz—5000 MHz



6000 MHz



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Appendix A: Warranty



Note: See the *Product Information Bulletin* included with your shipment for the complete ETS-Lindgren warranty for your Model 3142E BiConiLog™ Antenna.

Duration of Warranties for Model 3142E

All product warranties, except the warranty of title, and all remedies for warranty failures are limited to two years.

Product Warranted	Duration of Warranty Period
Model 3142E BiConiLog Antenna	2 Years