

FRPR Series User Manual

Fiber Return Path Receiver



Stock #	Model Name	Description
7639 2	FRPR-2	2 Receivers; 2x Optical In to 2x RF Out; 5-204 MHz
7639 4	FRPR-4	4 Receivers; 4x Optical In to 4x RF Out; 5-204 MHz

Section 1 — General & Laser Safety Instructions



The STOP sign symbol is intended to alert you to the presence of REQUIRED operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions that if not followed, may result in product failure or destruction.



The YIELD sign symbol is intended to alert you to the presence of RECOMMENDED operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions.



The LIGHTNING flash symbol is intended to alert you to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electrical shock.

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK, DO NOT REMOVE COVER FROM THIS UNIT. NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.

WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO **RAIN OR MOISTURE**

NOTE TO CATV SYSTEM INSTALLER

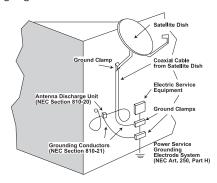
This reminder is provided to call the CATV System Installer's attention to Article 820-40 of the NEC that provides guidelines for proper grounding and, in particular, specifies that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as practical.



YOU SHOULD ALWAYS FOLLOW ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS, PROCEDURES, AND PRECAUTIONS IN ORDER TO HELP ENSURE AGAINST INJURY TO YOURSELF AND DAMAGE TO YOUR EQUIPMENT.

- Elevated Operating Ambient If installed in a closed or multi-unit rack assembly, the operating ambient temperature of the rack environment may be greater than room ambient. Therefore, consideration should be given to installing the equipment in an environment compatible with the maximum ambient temperature per Section 2.3.
- Reduced Air Flow Installation of the equipment in a rack should be such that the amount of air flow required for safe operation of the equipment is not
- Mechanical Loading Mounting of the equipment in the rack should be such that a hazardous condition is not achieved due to uneven mechanical loading.
- Circuit Overloading Consideration should be given to the connection of the equipment to the supply circuit and the effect that overloading of the circuits might have on overcurrent protection and supply wiring. Appropriate consideration of equipment nameplate ratings should be used when addressing
- Reliable Earthing Reliable earthing of rack-mounted equipment should be maintained. Particular attention should be given to supply connections other than direct connections to the branch circuit (e.g. use of power strips).
- Read all safety and operating instructions before you operate the unit.
- Retain all safety and operating instructions for future reference.
- Heed all warnings on the unit and in the safety and operating instructions.
- Follow all installation, operating, and use instructions.
- Unplug the unit from the AC power outlet before cleaning. Use only a damp cloth for cleaning the exterior of the unit.
- Do not use accessories or attachments not recommended by Blonder Tongue, as they may cause hazards, and will void the warranty.
- Do not operate the unit in high-humidity areas, or expose it to water or
- Do not place the unit on an unstable cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table. The unit may fall, causing serious personal injury and damage to the unit. Install the unit only in a mounting rack designed for 19" rack-mounted equipment.
- Do not block or cover slots and openings in the unit. These are provided for ventilation and protection from overheating. Never place the unit near or over a radiator or heat register. Do not place the unit in an enclosure such as a cabinet without proper ventilation. Do not mount equipment in the rack space directly above or below the unit.
- Operate the unit using only the type of power source indicated on the marking label. Unplug the unit power cord by gripping the plug, not the cord.
- The unit is equipped with a three-wire ground-type plug. This plug will fit only into a ground-type power outlet. If you are unable to insert the plug into the outlet, contact an electrician to replace the outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the ground-type plug.
- Route power supply cords so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them. Pay particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the unit.

Be sure that the outdoor components of the antenna system are grounded in accordance with local, federal, and National Electrical Code (NEC) requirements. Pay special attention to NEC Sections 810 and 820. See the example shown in the following diagram:



- We strongly recommend using an outlet that contains surge suppression or ground fault protection. For added protection during a lightning storm, or when the unit is left unattended and unused for long periods of time, unplug it from the wall outlet and disconnect the lines between the unit and the antenna. This will prevent damage caused by lightning or power line surges.
- Do not locate the antenna near overhead power lines or other electric light or power circuits, or where it can fall into such power lines or circuits. When installing the antenna, take extreme care to avoid touching such power lines or circuits, as contact with them can be fatal.
- Do not overload wall outlets or extension cords, as this can result in a risk of fire
- Never insert objects of any kind into the unit through openings, as the objects may touch dangerous voltage points or short out parts. This could cause fire or
- Do not attempt to service the unit yourself, as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage and will void the warranty. Refer all servicing to authorized service personnel.
- Unplug the unit from the wall outlet and refer servicing to authorized service personnel whenever the following occurs:

 - The power supply cord or plug is damaged; Liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the unit;
 - The unit has been exposed to rain or water;
 - The unit has been dropped or the chassis has been damaged;
 - The unit exhibits a distinct change in performance.
- When replacement parts are required, ensure that the service technician uses replacement parts specified by Blonder Tongue. Unauthorized substitutions may damage the unit or cause electrical shock or fire, and will void the warranty.
- Upon completion of any service or repair to the unit, ask the service technician to perform safety checks to ensure that the unit is in proper operating condition.



WARNING: The optical emissions from the units are laser-based and present eye hazards. Follow all safety precautions.



1.1 Laser Safety Precautions

The optical emissions from the units are laser-based Class IIIb, and may present eye hazards if improperly used. **NEVER USE** ANY KIND OF OPTICAL INSTRUMENT TO VIEW THE OPTICAL OUTPUT OF THE UNIT.

As always, be careful when working with optical fibers. Fibers can cause painful injury if they penetrate the skin.

1.2 Laser Safety Procedures

ALWAYS read the product data sheet and the laser safety label before powering the product. Note the operating wavelength, optical output power, and safety classifications.

If safety goggles or other eye protection are used, be certain that the protection is effective at the wavelength(s) emitted by the device under test **BEFORE** applying power.

ALWAYS connect a fiber to the input of the device **BEFORE** power is applied. Power should never be applied without an attached fiber input. If the device has a fiber output, a connector should be attached that is connected to a fiber. This ensures that all light is confined within the fiber waveguide, virtually eliminating all potential hazard.

NEVER look in the end of a fiber to see if light is coming out. **NEVER**! Most fiber optic laser wavelengths (1310 nm and 1550 nm) are totally invisible to the unaided eye and will cause permanent damage. Shorter wavelength lasers (e.g. 780 nm) are visible and are very damaging. Always use instruments, such as an optical power meter, to verify light output.

NEVER, NEVER, NEVER look into the end of a fiber on a power device with ANY sort of magnifying device. This includes microscopes, eye loupes, and magnifying glasses. This WILL cause permanent, irreversible burn on your retina.

ALWAYS double check that power is disconnected before using such devices. If possible, completely disconnect the unit from any power source.

If you have questions about laser safety procedures, please call Blonder Tongue before powering your product.

Laser safety classes for the FRPR are as follows:

Class	Wavelength Range	Optical Power Accession Limits
IIIb	180 nm to 400 nm	Varies with $oldsymbol{\lambda}$ and exposure time.
	400 nm to 10 ⁶ nm	0.5 Watt

1.3 Storing the Unit

If a unit is to be out of use for an extended period of time, the following steps should be taken to ensure the preservation of the unit:

- 1. The storage temperature range is -20°C to +70°C.
- 2. A low humidity environment is preferable for long term storage.
- 3. All connectors should be covered with active device receptacle caps.

Section 2 — Product Summary

2.1 Product Application & Features

Application:

The FRPR Series (Fiber Optic Return Path Receivers) is a rack-mounted fiber optic return path receiver. The 1RU chassis contains two (2) or four (4) independent optical return path receivers all supporting a bandwidth from 5-204 MHz.

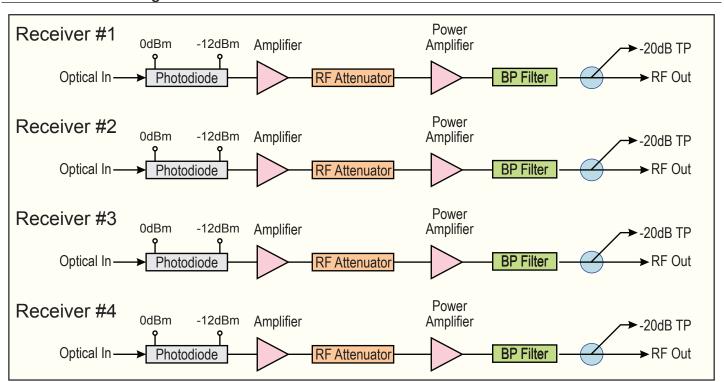
The **FRPR** is a high-density, full-featured receiver that utilizes high-performance photodiodes and hybrid amplifiers for cable modem up-stream signals. Optical input indicators and front panel -20 dB RF test ports are provided on each receiver for set-up and testing. A front panel RF attenuator on each receiver section allows the user to adjust the RF output level.

Features:

- Full-featured Return Path Receiver with bandwidth of 5-204 MHz
- Compatible with 1310nm, 1550nm and all CWDM and DWDM wavelengths
- Band pass filter suppresses noise

- -20 dB RF Test Points for real-time monitoring
- Universal AC power
- 20 dB continuously variable RF attenuator

2.2 Function Block Diagram



2.3 Connectors and Indicators (continued)



Front Panel:

- Receiver (#) Optical Power LED Indicator: Normal when the green LED is on. (When the -12dBm LED is on, the input optical power is 0 to -12dBm; when the 0dBm LED is on, the input optical power is 0 to +2dBm; Recommended optical input 0 to -10dBm).
- Receiver (#) RF Test Port: 20dB less than the RF output.
- Receiver (#) Attenuator: Adjust RF output 0 to 20dB.
- Power Supply Indicator: Green = Normal; Red = Fault



Rear Panel:

- Power Supply: IEC 14 power inlet plug rated 110/230 VAC, 24W, 60/50 Hz; equipped with Slo-Blo, 1.0A, 250 V fuse.
- Receiver (#) RF Out
- Receiver (#) Optical In

2.4 Specifications

Input

Optical Characteristics (with SM 9/125µm SM Fiber) 1100 to 1650 nm **Operating Wavelength:** Recommended Opt. Input Power: -10 to 0 dBm **Optical Input Power:** -15 to +2 dBm **Optical Return Loss:** >45 dBOptical Connector (Std.): SC/APC

Output

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Frequency Range:	5 to 204 MHz
RF Output Level:	> 30 dBmV at -8 dBm Optical
	& 0 dB Attenuation
Pass Band Flatness:	± 0.75 dB
RF Adjustment Range:	-20 to 0 dB
RF Test Point:	-20 dB
Noise Power Ratio:	> 15 (DFB)
Return Loss:	16 dB
Impedance ("F" Connector):	75 Ω

General

Dimensions: (W x H x D)	19.0" x 1.75" x 10.5" (483 mm x 44 mm x 267 mm)
Weight:	5.35 lbs (2.42 kg)
Power Supply:	100-240 VAC
Frequency:	50 to 60 Hz
Power Consumption:	24 W (#7639 4), 13 W (#7639 2)
Operating Temperature:	32 to 122 °F (0 to 50 °C)
Storage Temperature:	-40 to 149 °F (-40 to 65 °C)
Humidity:	5 to 95% RH, non-condensing

Section 3 – Installation & Power-up

3.1 Unpacking & Preparation

You will find the following items in the box:

- FRPR Series 1RU receiver (QTY=1)
- Power Cord with IEC C13 line socket and 3-pin Type B NEMA 5 plug (QTY=1)



CAUTION: If any of the equipment appears to have been damaged, do <u>NOT</u> connect it to a power source. This will only cause additional damage to the unit. Contact Technical Support for further instructions.

You will need the following tools and supplies for installation:

- · An optical power meter
- · A digital multimeter
- A cable TV RF meter or spectrum analyzer
- A standard fiber test jumper
- Denatured or 99% pure isopropyl alcohol and lint-free fiber optic cleaning wipes.

3.2 Installation

The FRPR Series receivers are designed to be installed in any standard 19" rack. Verify that the power source to the rack is turned OFF before installing the unit in the rack.

- 1 Mount and secure the unit's front panel to the rack by inserting four (4) machine screws, with cup washers, through the four (4) mounting holes in the front panel. Ground the case immediately afterward.
- 2 Check AC input voltage using a digital multimeter in accordance with power requirement. After satisfactory results, plug in the power cable and turn the power on.
- 3 Make sure the fiber connector is clean. Using an optical power meter, verify the input optical power is normal (-3 to 0dBm recommended) and once confirmed, insert the fiber connector into the fiber adaptor.
- 4 After turning the power on, check that the power and optical indicator LEDs are all green. The rack mount receiver installation is finished.

Troubleshooting during installation

- 1 RF Output Low: Use the following steps to troubleshoot if the RF Output is low.
 - 1. Check the connection of RF adaptor and the coaxial cable.
 - 2. Check the optical input level, cable, and connectors.
 - 3. Check the RF Attenuator setting.
- 2 No RF Output: check the optical power indicator. If Red, check the optical input power.
- 3 Cautions:
 - 1. Optical receiver must be grounded before turning on power.
 - 2. There might be invisible laser beam from fiber pigtail, which might cause permanent injury to human eyes.
 - 3. Make sure fiber connector and RF connector are clean and in good shape.

Section 4 – Cleaning and Maintenance

4.1 Cleaning the Unit(s)

If the unit needs to be cleaned, avoid the use of all solvents and use low-pressure clean air to remove loose dirt and to clear the connectors of any debris. Dirty or scratched connector end faces will greatly reduce the unit's performance. Foam-tipped swabs may be saturated with denatured alcohol and inserted into the optical port for cleaning. DO NOT INSERT A DRY SWAB INTO THE OPTICAL PORT AS THIS MAY DAMAGE THE FIBER END FACE. Many fiber optic installations experience degraded performance due to dirty optical connector end faces. The following procedure should be used to properly clean the optical connector end faces.

4.2 Cleaning the Connector(s)

Required Cleaning Equipment:

- Kimwipes [®] or any lens-grade, lint-free tissue. The type sold for eyeglasses work quite well.
- Denatured Alcohol

NOTE: Use <u>ONLY</u> "**industrial grade**" 99% pure isopropyl alcohol. Because commercially available isopropyl alcohol is for medicinal use, it is diluted with water and a light mineral oil which may leave behind a residue that attracts dust. "**Industrial grade**" isopropyl alcohol should be used exclusively.

- 30X Magnifier
- Canned Dry Air

Directions for Cleaning:

- 1) Fold the tissue twice so it is four layers thick.
- 2) Saturate the tissue with alcohol.
- 3) First clean the sides of the connector ferrule. Place the connector ferrule in the tissue, and apply pressure to the sides of the ferrule. Rotate the ferrule several times to remove all contamination from the ferrule sides.
- 4) Now move to a clean part of the tissue. Be sure it is still saturated with alcohol, and it is still four layers thick. Put the tissue against the end of the connector ferrule. Put your fingernail against the tissue so that it is directly over the ferrule. Now gently scrape the end of the connector until it squeaks. It will sound like a crystal glass that has been rubbed when it is wet.
- 5) Use the magnifier to verify the quality of the cleaning. If it isn't completely clean repeat the steps with a clean tissue.
- 6) Mate the connector immediately! Don't let the connector lie around and collect dust before mating.
- 7) Air can be used to remove lint or loose dust from the port of a transmitter or receiver to be mated with the connector. Never insert any liquid into the ports.

4.3 Connector Handling

1) NEVER TOUCH THE FIBER END FACE OF THE CONNECTOR.

2) Connectors not in use should be covered over the ferrule by a plastic dust cap. It is important to note that the inside of the ferrule dust caps contains a sticky gelatinous residue that is the by-product of the making of the dust cap. This residue will remain on the ferrule end after the cap is removed. Therefore it is critical that the ferrule end be cleaned thoroughly **BEFORE** it is mated to the intended unit.

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