# Free-Running Oscillators

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# NHO Series High Performance Dielectrically Stabilized Oscillators (DROs)



## **Features**

- 6 GHz to 18 GHz any frequency
- Drop-in Capable
- Limited pulling operates into 3:1 load
- Built-in regulator
   excellent pushing characteristics
- Low harmonic content internal filter
- -90 dBc spurious
- -54°C to +85°C operation
- Reverse voltage protection

# Options Available Based On Standard Designs

- Improved pulling characteristics
- High operating temperatures up to 115°C

# **Special Models Available**

- Internal amplifier
   to reduce pulling, increase power
- Hermetic sealing
- Other package sizes



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MODEL SERIES	NHO-C	NHO-X	NHO-Ku	CONDITIONS
FREQUENCY				
Operating	6,000-7,999 MHz	8,000-13,499 MHz	13,500-18,000 MHz	Note 1
Accuracy (initial) <sup>2</sup>	±0.05%	±.03%	±.03%	Set at +25°C
Tuning Range (max) <sup>3</sup>	±10 MHz	±15 MHz	±15 MHz	All Conditions
Variation Over	±0.02%	±0.02%	±0.02%	-20°C to +70°C
Temperature (max)4	±0.04%	±0.03%	±0.03%	-54°C to +85°C
Pulling (max)	±0.02%	±0.02%	±0.02%	1.5:1, all phases
	±0.04%	±0.04%	±0.04%	3.0:1, all phases
Pushing (max)	0.02 MHz/Volt	0.02 MHz/Volt	0.02 MHz/Volt	11-19 VDC
Stability (max)	±0.06%	±0.06%	±0.06%	Note 5
POWER				
Output (min)	14 dBm	14 dBm	13 dBm	At +25°C, 50 Ohm load
Variation Over	±1.5 dB	±1.5 dB	±1.5 dB	-20°C to +70°C
Temperature (max)	±2.0 dB	±2.0 dB	±2.0 dB	-54°C to 85°C
Load VSWR (max)	3.0:1	3.0:1	3.0:1	All phases
SPECTRAL PURITY				
Phase Noise (typ)	-90 dBc	-90 dBc	-85 dBc	10 kHz from carrier, 1Hz BW
<b>Spurious Output (max)</b>	-90 dBc	-90 dBc	-90 dBc	All conditions
Harmonics (max)	-25 dBc	-25 dBc	-25 dBc	All conditions
INPUT POWER				
Voltage	+15 ±4 VDC	+15 ±4 VDC	+15 ±4 VDC	All conditions
Current (max)	125 ma	125 ma	125 ma	At 15 VDC

## Notes:

- 1. Center frequency is customer specified to the MHz.
- 2. Initial center frequency accuracy for fixed tuned models is  $\pm 10~\text{MHz}$
- 3. Mechanically tuned models only.
- 4. Frequency variation over temperature for -20°C to +70°C operation is typical, not maximum.
- 5. Overall stability includes the effects of the full temperature range, pushing, aging, and pulling (1.5:1 maximum load VSWR).



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# **Ordering Information:**

- 1. Select series.
- 2. Determine if fixed tuned (F) or mechanically tuned (M).
- 3. Add frequency in MHz.

Example:

NHO-XM-12550

This describes a mechanically tunable model with a center frequency of 12,550 MHz (12.55 GHz.)

# **Environmental Specifications**

### **TEMPERATURE**

### **HUMIDITY**

Per MIL-STD-202F, method 103B, condition B (96 hours at 95% R.H.)\*

### **SHOCK**

Per MIL-STD-202F, method 213B, condition B (75G, 6 msec)

### **ALTITUDE**

Per MIL-STD-202F, method 105C, condition B (50,000 feet)

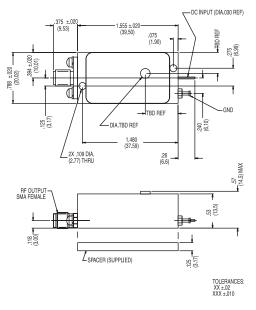
### **VIBRATION**

Per MIL-STD-202F, method 204D, condition B (.06" double amplitude or 15G, whichever is less).

### THERMAL SHOCK

Per MIL-STD-202F, method 107D, condition A (5 cycles)

# **Outline Drawings**



Dimensions in parentheses are in millimeters and for reference only.



