

Combined Category D, C, B tested protector (to BS EN 61643-21) suitable for RF systems using coaxial cables at frequencies between DC and 2.7GHz and where DC power is present. Suitable for RF systems with power up to 2.3kW. For use at boundaries up to LPZ  $0_A$  to protect against flashover (typically the service entrance location) through to LPZ 3 to protect sensitive electronic equipment.

# **Features and benefits**

- ✓ Restricts let-through voltage below damage levels of interface circuitry
- Very low attenuation and near unity VSWR over a wide range of frequencies ensure the protectors do not impair system performance
- Wide bandwidth means a single product is suitable for a range of applications, including the transmission of DC power
- Easily mounted and earthed via fixtures on the base of the unit
- ✓ Available with N, 7/16 DIN and BNC connectors
- Additional mounting plates give increased flexibility
- Robust silver plated aluminium housing

## Part numbering system

Furse RF protectors have six digit part codes, prefixed with ESP RF. The selected digits define the exact specification of the required protector, e.g. ESP RF AABCDE Connector type – ESP RF AAxxxx

The first 2 digits refer to the connector type:

- 11 N type female connectors
- AA 7/16 DIN type female connectors

44 – BNC female connectors

Line impedance – ESP RF xxBxxx

3rd digit refers to the line impedance. Currently only one option:

**1** – 50 $\Omega$  transmission line.

Gas Discharge Tube (GDT) selection – ESP RF xxxCxx

Select the 4th digit from the Gas Discharge Tube selection table. Selection of the correct GDT is critical in the effectiveness of using these protectors. For the correct GDT, take the maximum RF power or voltage of the system and select a GDT with a voltage/power handling greater than the system.

**Important note:** When using the peak RF voltage to select the GDT, if the system is a multi-carrier system the (in phase) peak RF voltage can be calculated as the total of all the single carrier peak voltages on the transmission line.

## Protector rating – ESP RF xxxxDx

- 5th digit specifies the protector rating.
  - 1 Higher specification
- 2 Standard specification
- Case plating ESP RF xxxxxE

6th digit specifies the case plating. Currently only one option.

1 – Silver

For RF applications where the connected equipment is very sensitive to transient overvoltages, use the higher specification RF protectors. ESP CCTV/B and ESP CCTV/T are suitable for use on coaxial (or twisted pair) CCTV lines. For coaxial CATV lines, use the CATV/F.

# **Application**

The Standard RF protector offers a cost effective protection solution for use on coaxial cables to protect RF transmitter and receiver systems, including electronics located at the antenna or dish. Typical examples include cell sites, military communications, satellite earth stations and pager systems. They can be used in applications where DC power is required to pass to the equipment.

## Installation

In a building, connect in series with the coaxial cable near where it enters or leaves the structure, or close to the equipment being protected. On a mast, connect in series with the coaxial cable near the antenna/dish being protected. Install in a radio communications room, an existing cabinet or a suitable enclosure.



ESP RF 111A21 with N female connectors installed in series



ESP RF 111121 on a coaxial cable running between an antenna and an RF receiver

# **Technical note**

These protectors are based on a continuous transmission line with a GDT connected between this line and screen/earth, and are suited for applications where DC is required to pass to the equipment.

#### Accessories

#### ESP RF BK1

Straight mounting plates

# ESP RF BK2

90° angled mounting plates

#### ESP RF GDT-x

Replacement gas discharge tubes (Where x is the correct GDT part code digit for your system. See GDT selection, above.)

# **ESP RF Series**



#### **Electrical specification**

Electrical specification	ESP RF xx1x21					
Gas Discharge Tube voltage	90V	150V	230V	350V	470V	600V
Maximum working voltage Uc (RMS) <sup>1</sup>	51V	85V	130V	200V	265V	340V
Characteristic impedance	50Ω					
Bandwidth	DC-2.7GHz					
Voltage standing wave ratio	≤1.1					
Insertion loss over bandwidth	≤0.1dB					
Maximum power <sup>1</sup>	50W	145W	340W	785W	1.4kW	2.3kW

<sup>1</sup> The maximum RF working voltage and maximum power for the protectors is dependent on the GDT selected. See 'Gas Discharge Tube selection' below.

Transient specification	ESP RF xx1x21					
Gas Discharge Tube voltage	90V	150V	230V	350V	470V	600V
Let-through voltage (all conductors) <sup>1</sup> Up						
C2 test 4kV 1.2/50µs, 2kA 8/20µs to BS EN/EN/IEC 61643-21	<700V	<650V	<700V	<800V	<900V	<1050V
C1 test 1kV, 1.2/50µs, 0.5kA 8/20µs to BS EN/EN/IEC 61643-21	<550V	<450V	<550V	<650V	<800V	<950V
B2 test 4kV 10/700 $\mu s$ to BS EN/EN/IEC 61643-21	<400V	<350V	<450V	<550V	<730V	<800V
5kV, 10/700µs²	<430V	<370V	<470V	<580V	<750V	<830V
Maximum surge current <sup>3</sup>						
D1 test 10/350µs to BS EN/EN/IEC 61643-21	2.5kA					
8/20µs to ITU (formerly CCITT), BS 6651:1999 Appendix C	20kA					

<sup>1</sup> The maximum transient voltage let-through the protector throughout the test (±10%). Response time <10ns. This let-through voltage represents a deviation from the applied signal voltage, present at the time of the test.

<sup>2</sup> Test to BS 6651:1999 Appendix C, Cat C-High, IEC 61000-4-5:1995, ITU-T (formerly CCITT) K.20, K.21 and K.45, Telcordia GR-1089-CORE, Issue 2:2002, ANSI TIA/EIA/IS-968-A:2002 (formerly FCC Part 68).

<sup>3</sup> The installation and connections external to the protector may limit the capability of the protector.

Mechanical specification	ESP RF 111x21	ESP RF AA1x21	ESP RF 441x21		
Temperature range		-25°C to +70°C			
Connection type	N female	7/16 DIN female	BNC female		
Earth connection	Via mounting fixtures				
Case material	Aluminium, Silver plated				
Weight – unit	120g 190g		90g		
– packaged	140g 210g		110g		
Dimensions	24mm 17 2mm 58mm 24mm 58mm 24mm 17 3mm 17 3mm 78mm	S6mm S4 S6mm	SP RF BK1 traight mounting bracket, 53 x 26.3 x 3mm wo M4 clearance mounting holes, 16.3mm part SP RF BK2 0° mounting bracket, 33 x 26.3 x 3mm, 0 x 26.3 x 3mm wo M4 clearance mounting holes, 16.3mm part, 14mm from fold line Mounting brackets supplied with screws for xing to protector)		

## **Gas Discharge Tube selection**

Max RF voltage		Max RF power	GDT voltage	GDT part	
	<b>V</b> <sub>Peak</sub>	V <sub>RMS</sub>	-50Ω system (P <sub>RMS</sub> )	code	digit
	72V	51V	50W	90V	1
	120V	85V	145W	150V	2
	185V	130V	340W	230V	3
	280V	200V	785W	350V	4
	375V	265V	1.4kW	470V	5
	480V	340V	2.3kW	600V	6