

# RDF PRODUCTS

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**Product Data Sheet; Model DFR-1200B** Wideband HF/VHF/UHF  
Radio Direction Finding Receiver & Watson-Watt DF Bearing Processor/Display

## FEATURES

- C Ultra-Wide Coverage From 0.1-3,000 MHz
- C Real-Time TFT Polar Bearing Display
- C Precision 3-Digit Numeric Bearing Display
- C AM/FM/CW/SSB Demodulation Capability
- C Simultaneous DF & Listen-Through
- C Fast Pulse Response Capability
- C 6/15/30/200 kHz Selectable IF Bandwidths
- C Real-Time RS-232 Remote Operation w/Software

## DESCRIPTION

The RDF Products Model DFR-1200B is a compact, self-contained wideband HF/VHF/UHF DF receiver and bearing processor/display combo designed for both mobile and fixed-site DF applications. Frequency coverage is from 100 kHz to 3,000 MHz, limited only by the accompanying DF antenna.

Comprising the DFP-1000B DF Processor/ Display and AOR AR5000A Wideband Communications Receiver, the DFR-1200B teams up the world's finest single-channel DF processor with the world's finest wideband consumer-market communications receiver. The resulting combo package provides a complete full-featured high-performance DF receiver in a footprint small enough for even for mobile operation.

Operationally, the AR5000A serves as a wideband tuneable down-converter for the DFP-1000B processor. Physically, the DFP-1000B mounts atop the AR5000A, secured by Velcro or Nylon mounting straps. No modifications are required to either unit.

The DFR-1200B employs a 360° degree real-time polar TFT bearing display that is unsurpassed in dynamic DF environments where either the signal source or the DF station is in motion. This highly intuitive display format is



essential for discriminating valid bearings from noise, reflections, and interference. For fixed-site or other applications where higher bearing accuracy and resolution is required, the numeric bearing display allows bearing resolution down to 0.5°. Using the supplied Windows software controller package "DefCon2b", the DFR-1200B can be remotely operated by computer as a "virtual DF receiver" as illustrated on the following page.

The DFR-1200B features excellent listen-through capability. With most signal formats, undistorted signal audio output is obtainable simultaneously with DF operation. Demodulators are included for AM, FM, CW, and SSB with built-in speaker or external headset audio output, along with four selectable IF bandwidths for optimum reception.

Seven selectable bearing integration times are available for optimum DF performance for a wide variety of signal formats. With pulse response capability down to 35 milliseconds, the DFR-1200B can respond to very short duration signals (including A.I.D. beacons). Other features include bearing display Track & Hold, Range Tone, and GPS receiver/digital compass interfaces.

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## SPECIFICATIONS (subject to change without notice)

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DF Technique:	Single-channel Watson-Watt	Bearing Resolution:	0.5°/0.1°
Frequency Coverage:	0.1-3,000 MHz (subject to frequency limitations of attached DF antenna)	Bearing Integration:	35/50/80/160/200/275/400 ms
DF Sensitivity:	Established by DF antenna	Track & Hold:	3 sec nominal holding time
RF Input Impedance:	50 ohms nominal	RS-232 Interface (to host computer)	19200-N-8-1; data string includes embedded data from receiver, GPS, & compass
IF Bandwidths:	6/15/30/200 kHz	Power Requirements:	11-16 VDC @ 3.0 amperes (negative ground)
Maximum Undistorted Audio Output:	>3 watts into 4 ohms (external speaker impedance must be 4 ohms or greater)	Over- And Reverse-Voltage Protection:	18 volt shunt power zener blows fuse
Audio Frequency Response:	250-3300 Hz nom. @ -3 dB (measured at headset jack)	Operating Temp.:	0 to +50 degrees C
Bearing Displays:	Real-time 360° polar TFT and 3-1/2 digit numeric displays	Storage Temp.:	-40 to +70 degrees C
Bearing Accuracy:	0.5° RMS (using 160 milli-second bearing integration)	Humidity:	0-95% (no condensation)
		Dimensions:	9.2"x8.5"x12.0" (HxWxD)
		Weight:	16.5 lbs

## APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

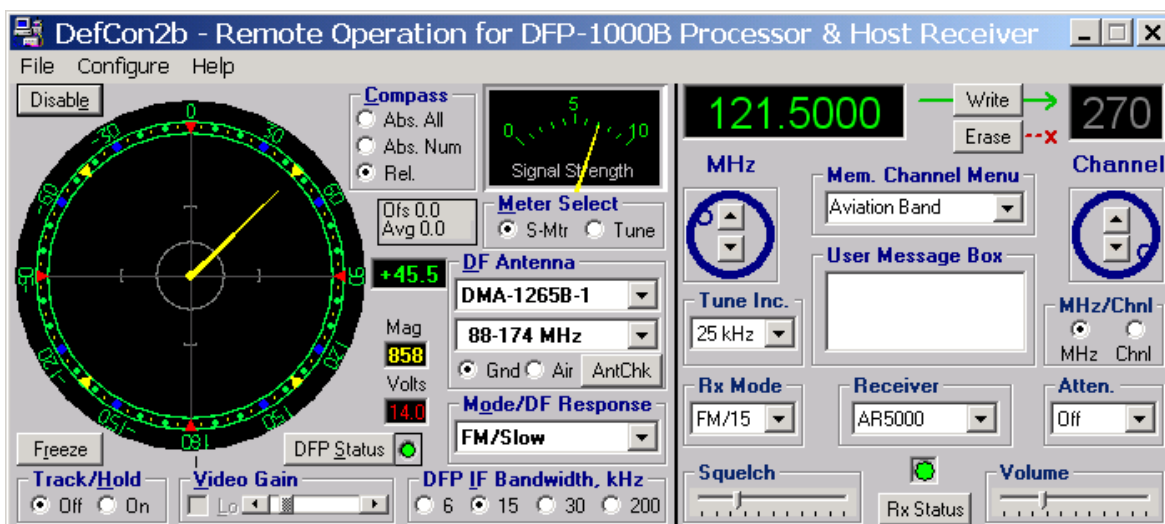
The RDF Products Model DFR-1200B has been specifically designed for three primary DF applications. First, it is intended to be used in applications where a compact, self-contained, easy-to-operate DF receiver capable of accepting a wide variety of signal formats is required. (In this regard, it is particularly well suited for mobile DF missions). Second, it is intended for applications where wide frequency coverage is required. Finally, it is intended for applications where the ability to respond to short-duration signals is important (pulsed beacon tracking, for example).

In general, the DFR-1200B is recommended for all HF/VHF/UHF mobile and fixed-site DF applications that

require a compact, self-contained, easy-to-operate high-performance unit employing premium components. It is particularly effective for mobile DF applications due to its compactness and ease-of-installation, and is one of the very few units capable of DF operation in motion on a wide variety of signal formats.

The DFR-1200B is directly compatible with all RDF Products DF antenna models (both mobile and fixed-site).

The AR5000A receiver can be dismantled from the DFP-1000B for convenience of storage and transit. See the DFP-1000B product data sheet for important additional information.



DefCon2b "Virtual DF Receiver" Controller Main Screen