



Low Profile and High Efficiency 915 MHz ISM Band Loop Antenna

#### Part No:

ILA.01

### **Description:**

915 MHz ISM Band Loop Antenna

#### **Features:**

Small size antenna, low profile, and high efficiency 915 MHz ISM Band Dimensions: 10 x 3.2 x 0.5 mm SMT Compatible



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## 1. Introduction



The ILA.01 is a 915 MHz ISM band antenna with excellent efficiency, 60% at the center frequency and 45% at the band edges. This antenna works the best when placed at the center of the board edge. The antenna, at 10 x 3.2 x 0.5 mm, is low profile and would be suitable for devices with space constraints. The ILA.01 is delivered on tape and reel and now allows M2M customers to use an omni-directional SMT antenna. The omni-directional radiation characteristics allow for excellent performance regardless of device orientation. This is especially useful for devices that are not fixed in one particular spot during use. When there is little PCB space available for antenna placement, but high performance is required, the ILA.01 is the ideal choice.

This antenna can be mounted with no performance degradation in either orientation as long as the antenna is soldered correctly via Surface mounting. Please see the integration instructions section for further detail regarding the optimum way to integrate this antenna into your device."

For further optimization to customer-specific device environments and for support to integrate and test this antennas performance in your device, contact your regional Taoglas Customer Services Team.

#### Applications:

Automated Meter Reading (AMR)
Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)
Remote Monitoring
Healthcare
Sensing
915 MHz Applications



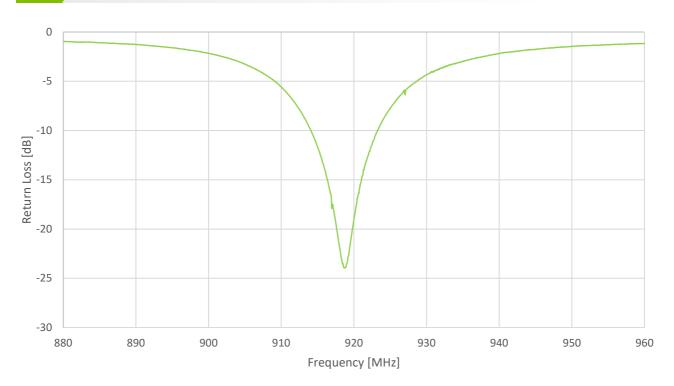
# 2. Specifications

| Antenna                    |                   |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Frequency (MHz)            | 902-928 MHz (ISM) |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | Efficiency (%)    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 80 x 40 mm Ground Plane    | 50 (typical)      |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | Average Gain (dB) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 80 x 40 mm Ground Plane    | -5 dB             |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | Peak Gain (dBi)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 80 x 40 mm Ground Plane    | 1.5 dBi           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Max Return Loss (dB)       | -2.8 dB           |  |  |  |  |  |
| VSWR                       | 6:1               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Impedance ( $\Omega$ )     | 50Ω               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Polarization               | Linear            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Radiation Pattern          | Omni              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Input Power(W)             | 5                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | Mechanical        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dimensions (mm)            | 10 x 3.2 x 0.5    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required Space (mm)        | 11 x 10.4         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Material                   | Ceramic           |  |  |  |  |  |
| EVB Connector              | SMA(F)            |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | Environmental     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature Range          | -40°C to 85°C     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Storage Temperature        | -40°C to 105°C    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Humidity                   | 40% to 95%        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Moisture Sensitivity Level | 3 (168 Hours)     |  |  |  |  |  |

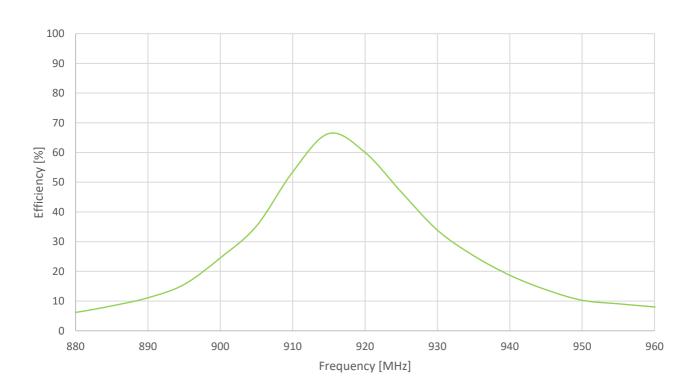


# 3. Antenna Characteristics

## 3.1 Return Loss

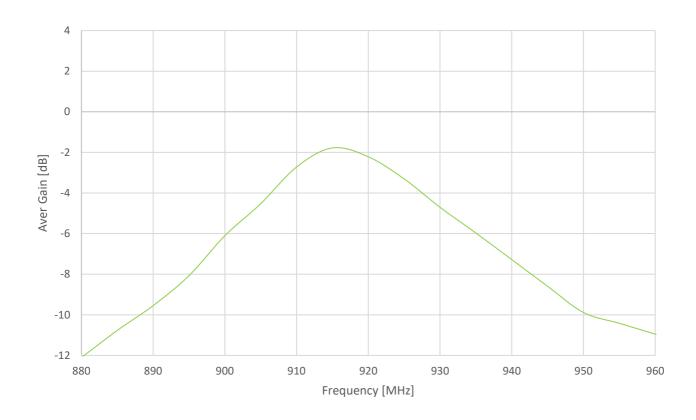


## 3.2 Efficiency

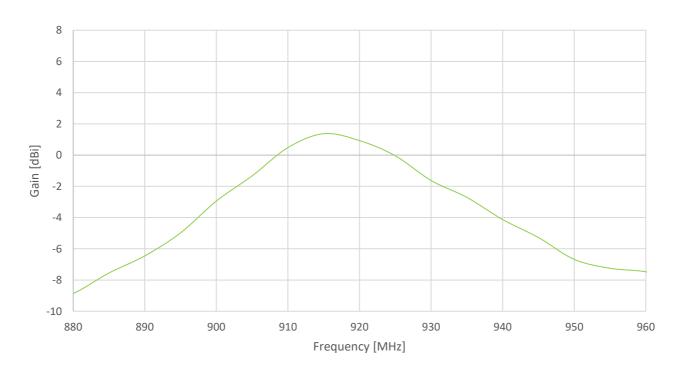




# 3.3 Average Gain

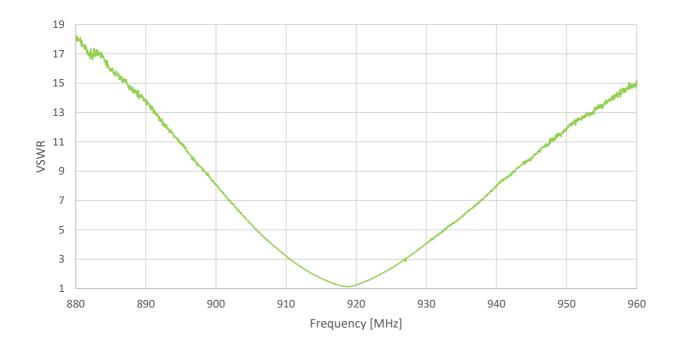


## 3.4 Peak Gain





## 3.5 VSWR

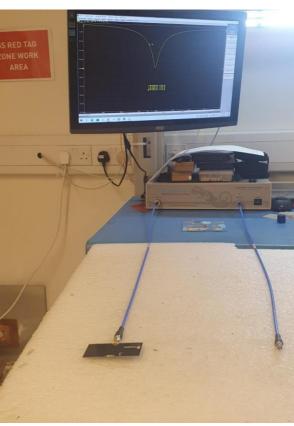




# 4. Radiation Patterns

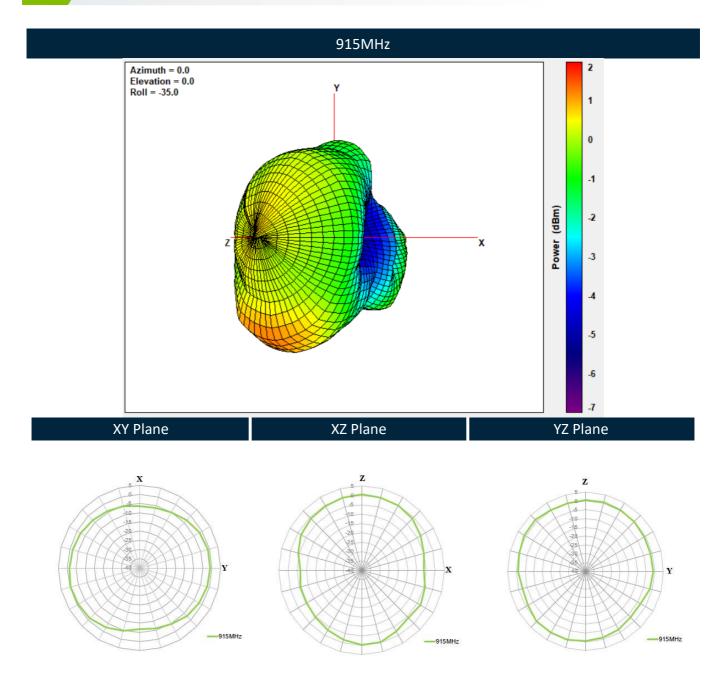
4.1 Test Setup – Antenna on Evaluation Board





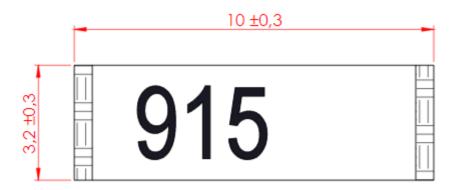


### 4.3 2D&3D Radiation Pattern



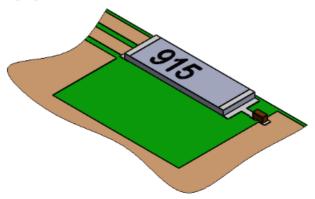


# 5. Mechanical Drawing – Antenna







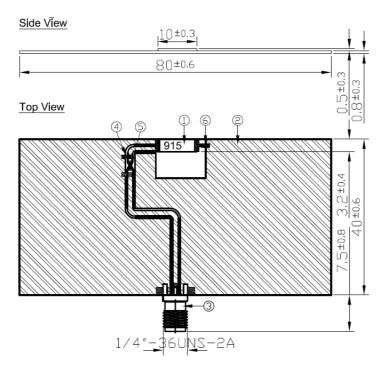


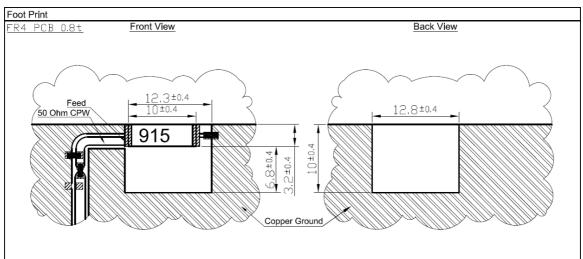
ANTENNA ON FOOTPRINT PCB VIEW SCALE 5:1

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## Mechanical Drawing – Evaluation Board





#### NOTES:

1. Solder Area

2. Logo & Text Ink Printing : Black
3. Copper
4. Matching Component

5. Component 6 is the tuning element of this antenna.

|   | Name                   | P/N            | Material | Finish | QTY |
|---|------------------------|----------------|----------|--------|-----|
| 1 | ILA.01 Antenna         | 001513F000012A | Ceramic  | N/A    | 1   |
| 2 | ILA.01 EVB Board       | 100213F000012A | FR4 0.8t | Green  | 1   |
| 3 | SMA(F) ST              | 200413F000012A | Brass    | Gold   | 1   |
| 4 | Capacitor 4.3pF (0402) | 001514F020012A | Ceramic  | N/A    | 1   |
| 5 | Resistor 0Ω (0402)     | 001511J010012A | Ceramic  | N/A    | 1   |
| 6 | Capacitor 10pF (0402)  | 001514F010012A | Ceramic  | N/A    | 1   |

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## 7. Antenna Intergration Guide



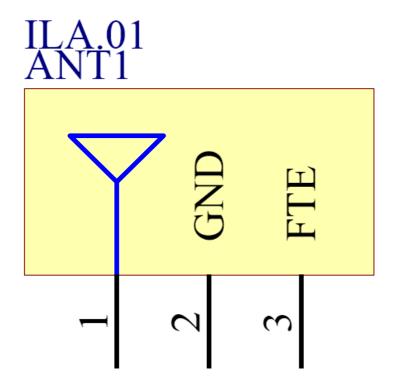




## 7.1 Schematic Symbol and Pin Definition

The circuit symbol for the antenna is shown below. The antenna has 3 pins with only three pins as functional.

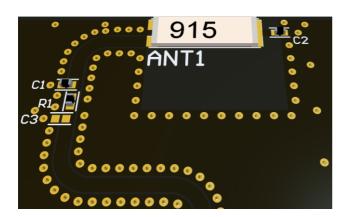
| Pin | Description |
|-----|-------------|
| 1   | RF Feed     |
| 2   | Ground      |
| 3   | FTE         |

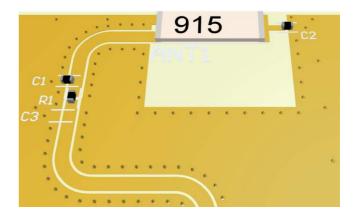




### 7.2 Antenna Integration

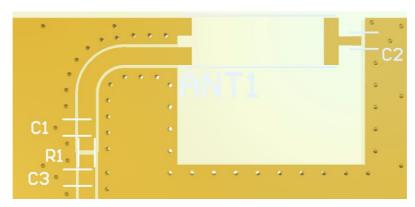
Whatever the size of the PCB, the antenna should ideally be placed on the PCB's longest side, to take advantage of the ground plane. Optimized matching components can be placed as shown.



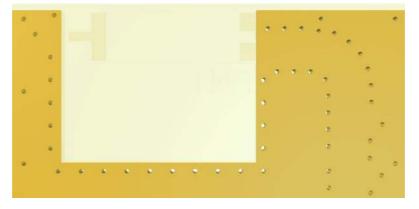


### 7.3 PCB Layout

The footprint and clearance on the PCB must meet the antenna specification. An example of the PCB layout shows the antenna footprint with clearance. Note the placement of the component C2. C2 is connected to Pin 3 of the antenna and helps with fine-tuning of the antenna. Further, note the placement of the additional components C1, R1, C3. These form a pi-matching network to help with matching the antenna in its final environment.



Topside

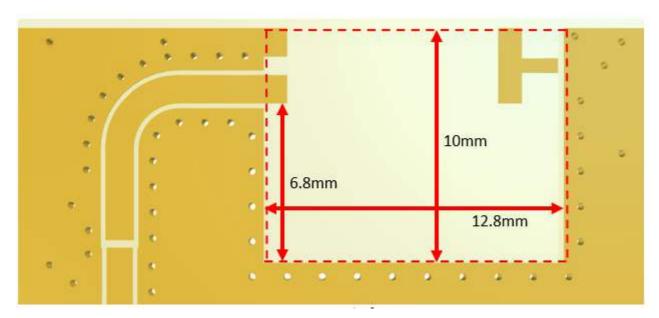


**Bottom Side** 

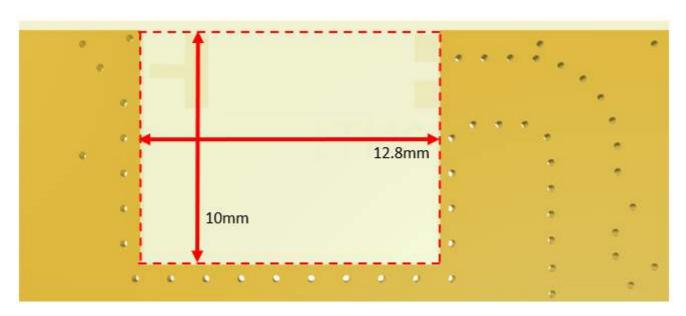


### 7.4 PCB Keep Out

Below shows the antenna footprint and clearance through ALL layers on the PCB. Only the antenna pads and connections to feed and GND are present within this clearance area (marked RED). The clearance area extends to 10mm in length & 12.8mm in width. This clearance area includes the bottom side and ALL internal layers on the PCB.



Topside



**Bottom Side** 

## 7.5 Evaluation Board



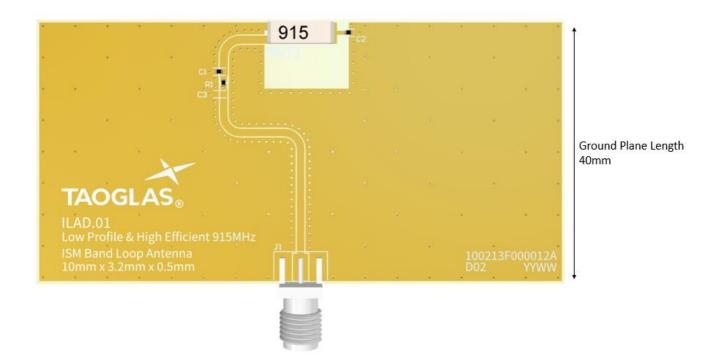
Topside



**Bottom Side** 



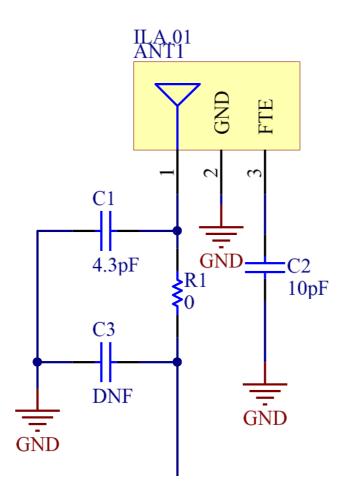
## 7.6 Evaluation Board Ground Plane Length





### 7.7 Evaluation Board Matching Circuit

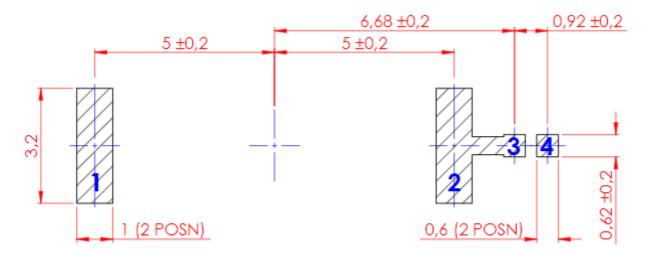
Matching components for the ILA.01 are required for the antenna to have optimal performance on the evaluation board, located outside of the copper clearance in the space specified in the above images. Additional matching components may be necessary for your device, so we recommend incorporating extra component footprints, forming a "pi" network, between the radio module and the antenna.



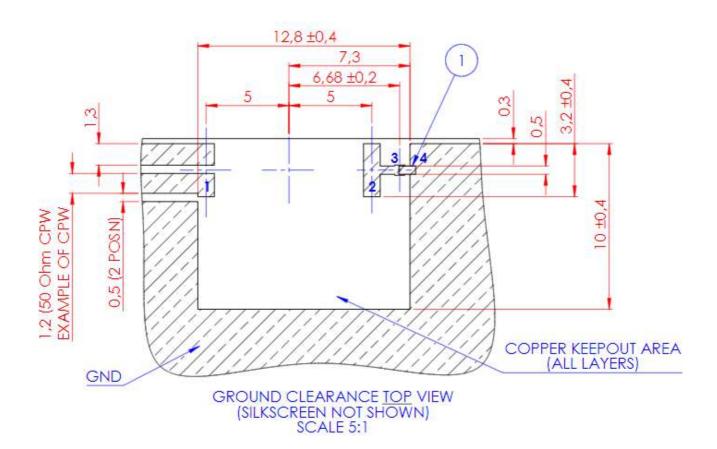
| Designator | Туре      | Value      | Manufacturer | Manufacturer Part Number |
|------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| R1         | Resistor  | 0 Ohms     | Yageo        | RC0402JR-070RL           |
| C1         | Capacitor | 4.3pF      | Murata       | GRM1555C1H4R3CA01D       |
| C2         | Capacitor | 10pF       | Murata       | GRM1555C1H100RA01D       |
| C3         | Capacitor | Not Fitted | -            | -                        |



### 7.8 Antenna Footprint



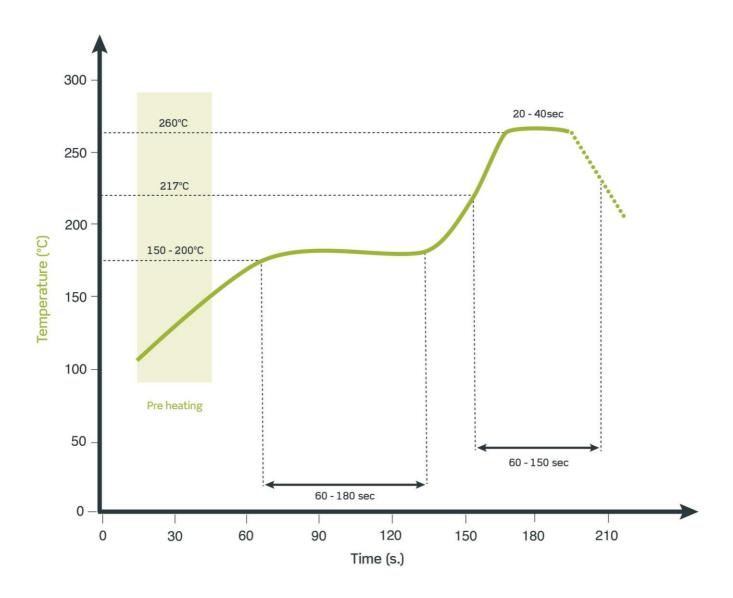
**FOOTPRINT PCB** 





# 8. Recommended Solder Reflow Profile

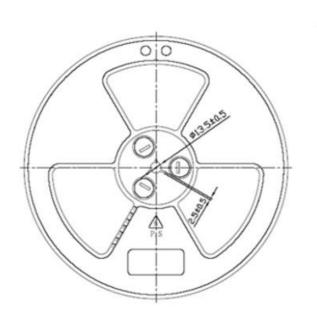
Typical Soldering profile for lead-free process:

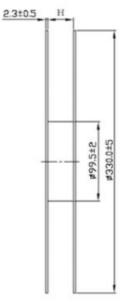




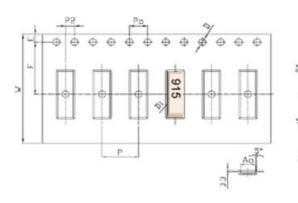
# 9. Packaging

6000pcs ILA.001 per reel Dimensions – 420\*380mm Weight – 1050g









Tape Dimensions(unit: mm)

| Feature | Specifications | Tolerances    |
|---------|----------------|---------------|
| W       | 24.00          | ±0.30         |
| P       | 8.00           | ±0.10         |
| E       | 1.75           | ±0.10         |
| F       | 11.50          | ±0.10         |
| P2      | 2.00           | ±0.10         |
| D       | 1.50           | +0.10<br>0.00 |
| D1      | 1.50           | ±0.10         |
| Po      | 4.00           | ±0.10         |
| 10Po    | 40.00          | ±0.20         |

Pocket Dimensions(unit: mm)

| Feature | Specifications | Tolerances |
|---------|----------------|------------|
| Ao      | 3.40           | ±0.10      |
| Во      | 10.20          | ±0.10      |
| Ko      | 0.70           | ±0.10      |
| t       | 0.30           | ±0.05      |

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6000Pcs ILA.001 Per Reel Dimensions – 420\*380mm Weight – 1050g

6 Reels, 36000 Pcs In One Carton Carton Dimensions – 350\*350\*210mm Weight – 7.1Kg 210mm 350mm 350mm

1000mm

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Pallet Dimensions 1200\*1000\*1460mm 36 Cartons Per Pallet 6 Cartons Per Layer 6 Layers

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1200mm



#### Changelog for the datasheet

### SPE-12-8-079 - ILA.01

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| Changes Made by: | Cesar Sousa           |  |

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| Changes Made by:              | Evan Murphy  |  |

| Revision: C      |                 |  |
|------------------|-----------------|--|
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| Changes:         | EVB & Footprint |  |
| Changes Made by: | Aine Doyle      |  |

| Revision: G (Current Version) |                    |  |
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