1 Features

- Designed for 2.4 GHz applications: Bluetooth®, Wi-Fi® (802.11b/g), ZigBee®, etc.
- Easy to integrate
- Low profile design for use with no ground beneath the antenna
- High efficiency
- Light weight
- Intended for SMD mounting
- Supplied in tape on reel

2 Description

Rufa is intended for use with all 2.4 GHz applications. The antenna uses a ground plane in order to radiate efficiently, but this ground plane must not extend underneath the antenna itself.

The antenna is available in two versions with the feed locations on the right or left hand side of the antenna.

3 Applications

- Mobile phones
- PDAs
- PNDs
- Headsets
- PMPs / MP3s
- Laptops
- PC-Cards
- Sensors
4 Part numbers

**Rufa Left: 3030A5839-01**

**Rufa Right: 3030A5887-01**

5 General data

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<th>Product name</th>
<th>Rufa 2.4 GHz</th>
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<td>3030A5887-01 (Right)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Frequency</td>
<td>2.4 – 2.5 GHz</td>
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<tr>
<td>Polarization</td>
<td>Linear</td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating temperature</td>
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<td>Impedance with matching</td>
<td>50 Ω</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>0.1 g</td>
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<td>Antenna type</td>
<td>SMD</td>
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<td>Dimensions</td>
<td>12.8 x 3.9 x 1.1 [mm]</td>
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6 Electrical characteristics

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<th>Typical performance</th>
<th>Conditions</th>
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<tr>
<td>Peak gain</td>
<td>2.1 dBi</td>
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<td>Average gain</td>
<td>-1.2 dBi</td>
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<td>Average efficiency</td>
<td>75%</td>
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<td>Maximum Return Loss</td>
<td>-11 dB</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum VSWR</td>
<td>1.8:1</td>
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All data measured on Antenova’s reference boards, part numbers AN-1-0543-1 and AN-1-0556-1

Data given for the 2.4 – 2.5 GHz frequency range
7 Electrical performance

7-1 Return Loss

![Return Loss Diagram]

7-2 VSWR

![VSWR Diagram]
7-3  Antenna patterns

Patterns show combined polarisations measured on reference board AN-1-0556-1

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8 Antenna dimensions

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<tr>
<td>W</td>
<td>3.9 ± 0.2</td>
<td>3.9 ± 0.2</td>
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<td>H</td>
<td>1.1 ± 0.2</td>
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Dimensions in mm

9 Antenna footprint

Rufa Left (Part No: 3030A5839-01)  Rufa Right (Part No: 3030A5887-01)

* CAD files of the antenna footprint are available from Antenova on request.

Please contact info@antenova.com for further details.

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<th>I</th>
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<th>J</th>
<th>N</th>
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<td>1.0 ± 0.1</td>
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<td>8.1 ± 0.1</td>
<td>3.7 ± 0.1</td>
<td>1.5 ± 0.1</td>
<td>2.4 ± 0.1</td>
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Dimensions in mm
10 Electrical interface

10-1 Transmission lines

- All transmission lines should be designed to have a characteristic impedance of 50 Ω
- The length of the transmission lines should be kept to a minimum
- Any other parts of the RF system like transceivers, power amplifiers, etc, should also be designed to have an impedance of 50 Ω

Once the material for the PCB has been chosen (PCB thickness and dielectric constant), a coplanar transmission line can easily be designed using any of the commercial software packages for transmission line design. For the chosen PCB thickness, copper thickness and substrate dielectric constant, the program will calculate the appropriate transmission line width and gaps on either side of the track so the characteristic impedance of the coplanar transmission line is 50 Ω.

10-2 Matching circuit

The antenna requires a matching circuit that must be optimized for each customer’s product. The matching circuit will require up to three components and the following pad layout should be designed into the device so the correct circuit can be installed:

The antenna feed pad and the antenna ground pad are indicated in the drawing above. Additional pads are for mechanical attachment only and should not be grounded.
In addition to the matching circuit, a separate DC blocking capacitor will also be required between the radio and the antenna matching circuit.

**Note:** The component values for the matching circuit will vary depending on the size of the PCB and surrounding components. The impedance of the antenna should be measured before selecting suitable matching components. Antenova offers this service on request. Contact [info@antenova.com](mailto:info@antenova.com) for further information.

### 10-3 Antenna placement

Antenova strongly recommends placing the antenna near the edge of the board. Maximum antenna performance is achieved by placing the antenna towards one of the corners of the PCB and with the feed point of the antenna as close to same corner of the PCB as possible.

Additional ground and components near the antenna should be at a distance of at least 2 mm. Where possible the antenna should be clear of ground from both sides, although the antenna can work well with a minimum clearance of $D \geq 2$ mm as shown in the drawing above.
10-4 Reference boards
The reference boards have been designed for evaluation purposes of Rufa 2.4 GHz and they include a SMA female connector.

Dimensions in mm
To order a reference board contact info@antenova.com
11 Soldering
This antenna is suitable for lead free soldering.

The reflow profile should be adjusted to suit the device, oven and solder paste, while observing the following conditions:
- The maximum temperature should not exceed 240 °C
- However for lead free soldering, a maximum temperature of 255 °C for no more than 20 seconds is permitted.
- The antenna should not be exposed to temperatures exceeding 120 °C more than 3 times during the soldering process.

12 Hazardous material regulation conformance
The antenna has been tested to conform to RoHS requirements. A certificate of conformance is available from Antenova’s website.
13 Packaging

13-1 Optimal storage conditions for packaged reels

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<th>Temperature</th>
<th>-10°C to 40°C</th>
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<tr>
<td>Humidity</td>
<td>Less than 75% RH</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shelf Life</td>
<td>18 Months</td>
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<td>Storage place</td>
<td>Away from corrosive gas and direct sunlight</td>
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<tr>
<td>Packaging</td>
<td>Reels should be stored in unopened sealed manufacturer’s plastic packaging.</td>
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Note: Storage of open reels of antennas is not recommended due to possible oxidization of pads on antennas. If short term storage is necessary, then it is highly recommended that the bag containing the antenna reel is re-sealed and stored in like storage conditions as in above table.
13-2 Tape characteristics

![Diagram of Rufa Left Antenna](image)

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Dimensions in mm

**Quantity** | **Leading Space** | **Trailing Space**
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1000 pcs / reel | 50 blank antenna holders | 37 blank antenna holders
Rufa Right
[Part Number: 3030A5887-01]

Dimensions in mm

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13-3 Reel dimensions

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13-4 Box dimensions

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<th>Width (W)</th>
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<td>203 mm</td>
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13-5 Bag properties
Reels are supplied in protective plastic packaging

13-6 Reel label information

**Rufa Left**

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\text{Description: Rufa Left} \\
\text{Part Number: 3030A5839-01} \\
\text{Qty: 1000 Pieces} \\
\text{Date Code:} \\
\text{Manufacturers code number:} \\
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**Rufa Right**

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