

Specifications

Trimble SPS461 Modular GPS Heading Receiver



Receiver Name	SPS461 GPS Heading Receiver
Configuration Option	Precise RTK
Base and Rover interchangeability	No, rover only
Rover position update rate	1 Hz, 2 Hz, 5 Hz, 10 Hz, 20Hz
Rover maximum range from base	Unrestricted, typical range 2–5 km (1.2–3 miles) without radio repeater
Rover operation within a VRS™ network	Yes
Heading operation	Yes ⁵
Factory options	
General	
Keyboard and display	VFD display 16 characters by 2 rows On/Off key for one-button startup Escape and Enter keys for menu navigation 4 arrow keys (up, down, left, right) for option scrolls and data entry
Dimensions (L x W x D)	24 cm x 12 cm x 5 cm (9.4 in x 4.7 in x 1.9 in) including connectors
Weight	1.22 kg (2.70 lb) receiver only 1.37 kg (3.00 lb) receiver with internal radio
Antenna Options	
GA510	L1/L2/L2C GPS, SBAS, and OmniSTAR (optimized for OmniSTAR)
GA530	L1/L2/L2C GPS, MSK Beacon, SBAS, and OmniSTAR
L1/Beacon, DSM 232	Not supported
Zephyr™ Model 2	L1/L2/L2C GPS, SBAS, and OmniSTAR
Zephyr Geodetic™ Model 2	L1/L2/L2C GPS, SBAS, and OmniSTAR
Zephyr Model 2 Rugged	L1/L2/L2C GPS, SBAS, and OmniSTAR
Zephyr, Zephyr Geodetic, Z-Plus, Micro-Centered™	Refer to antenna specification
Temperature	
Operating ¹	–40 °C to +65 °C (–40 °F to +149 °F)
Storage	–40 °C to +80 °C (–40 °F to +176 °F)
Humidity	MIL-STD 810F, Method 507.4
Waterproof	IP67 for submersion to depth of 1 m (3.3 ft), dustproof
Shock and Vibration	
Pole drop	Designed to survive a 1 m (3.3 ft) pole drop onto a hard surface
Shock – Non-operating	To 75 g, 6 ms
Shock – Operating	To 40 g, 10 ms, saw-tooth
Vibration	Tested to Trimble ATV profile (4.5 g RMS): 10 Hz to 300 Hz: 0.04 g/Hz; ² 300 Hz to 1,000 Hz; –6 dB/octave

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Measurements

Advanced Trimble Maxwell™ 5 Custom GPS Chip
High-precision multiple correlator for L1/L2 pseudo-range measurements

Unfiltered, unsmoothed pseudo-range measurements data for low noise, low multipath error, low-time domain correlation, and high-dynamic response

Very low noise carrier phase measurements with <1 mm precision
in a 1 Hz bandwidth

L1/L2 signal-to-noise ratios reported in dB-Hz

Proven Trimble low elevation tracking technology
72-channel L1 C/A code, L1/L2/L2C Full Cycle Carrier.

Trimble EVEREST™ multipath signal rejection
4-channel SBAS (WAAS/EGNOS/MSAS)

Code Differential GPS Positioning²

Horizontal accuracy

0.25 m + 1 ppm RMS (0.8 ft + 1 ppm RMS)

Vertical accuracy

0.50 m + 1 ppm RMS (1.6 ft + 1 ppm RMS)

SBAS (WAAS/EGNOS/MSAS) Positioning³

Horizontal accuracy

Typically <1 m (3.3 ft)

Vertical accuracy

Typically <5 m (16.4 ft)

OmniSTAR Positioning

VBS service accuracy

Horizontal <1 m (3.3 ft)

XP service accuracy

Horizontal 0.2 m (0.66 ft), Vertical 0.3 m (1.0 ft)

HP service accuracy

Horizontal 0.1 m (0.33 ft), Vertical 0.15 m (0.5 ft)

Real-Time Kinematic (RTK) Positioning

Horizontal accuracy

10 mm + 1 ppm RMS (0.032 ft + 1 ppm RMS)

Vertical accuracy

20 mm + 1 ppm RMS (0.065 ft + 1 ppm RMS)

Precise Heading

Heading accuracy

2 m antenna separation

0.09° RMS

10 m antenna separation

0.05° RMS

Initialization Time

Regular RTK operation with base station

Single/Multi-base

Minimum 10 seconds + 0.5 times baseline length in km, up to 30 km

RTK operation with Scalable GPS infrastructure

Typically <30 seconds anywhere within coverage area

Initialization reliability⁴

>99.9%

Power

Internal

NA

External

Power input on the 26-pin D-sub connector is optimized for lead acid batteries
with a cut-off threshold of 11 V DC

11 V DC to 28 V DC external power input with over-voltage protection

Receiver automatically turns on when connected to external power

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Power over Ethernet (PoE) 44 V DC to 57 V DC, IEEE802.3af compliant device

Power consumption 6.0 W in rover mode with internal receive radio

Operation Time on Internal Battery

Rover NA

Base station NA

450 MHz systems

900 MHz systems

Regulatory Approvals

FCC: Part 15 Subpart B (Class B Device) and Subpart C, Part 90
Canadian ICES-003. Cet appareil numérique de la classe B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

Canadian RSS-310, RSS-210, and RSS-119.

Cet appareil est conforme à la norme CNR-310, CNR-210, et CNR-119 du Canada.

R&TTE Directive: EN 301 489-1/-5/-17, EN 300 440, EN 300 328, EN 300 113, EN 60950, EN 50371

ACMA: AS/NZS 4295 approval

CE mark compliance

C-tick mark compliance

RoHS compliant

WEEE compliant

Communications

Lemo (Serial) NA

Modem 1 (Serial) 26-pin D-sub, Serial 2, Full 9-wire RS232, using adaptor cable

Modem 2 (Serial) 26-pin D-sub, Serial 3, 3 wire RS-232, using adaptor cable

1PPS (1 Pulse-per-second) Available

Ethernet Through a multi-port adaptor

Bluetooth wireless technology Fully-integrated, fully-sealed 2.4 GHz Bluetooth module⁶

Integrated radios (optional) Fully-integrated, fully-sealed internal MSK Beacon and 450 MHz (UHF) Rx only,

Internal MSK Beacon only or Internal 900 MHz Rx only

12.5 kHz or 25 kHz spacing available

Channel spacing (450 MHz)

450 MHz output power NA

900 MHz output power NA

Frequency approvals (900 MHz) NA

External GSM/GPRS, cell phone support Supported for direct-dial and Internet-based correction streams

Cell phone or GSM/GPRS modem inside controller

Internal MSK Beacon receiver If internal MSK Beacon radio is installed⁷

Frequency range 283.5–325.0 kHz

Channel spacing 500 Hz

MSK bit rate 50, 100, and 200 bps

Demodulation minimum shift key (MSK)

Receiver position update rate 1 Hz, 2 Hz, 5 Hz, 10 Hz, and 20 Hz positioning

Correction data input CMR™, CMR+™, RTCM 3, RTCM 2.x

Correction data output Repeat DGPS RTCM from MSK Beacon or OmniSTAR VBS source

Data outputs NMEA, GSO, 1PPS Time Tags

Receiver Upgrades

Notes

1 Receiver will operate normally to -40°C .

2 Accuracy and reliability may be subject to anomalies such as multipath, obstructions, satellite geometry, and atmospheric conditions. Always follow recommended practices.

3 Depends on SBAS system performance.

4 May be affected by atmospheric conditions, signal multipath, and satellite geometry. Initialization reliability is continuously monitored to ensure highest quality.

5 Two of the supported antennas (See Antenna Options) must be connected for heading.

6 Bluetooth type approvals are country specific. For more information, contact

7 One of the antennas must be a GA530 for MSK Beacon signal reception.

Specifications subject to change without notice.

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