

VK5DJ's YAGI CALCULATOR

Yagi design frequency =585.31 MHz

Wavelength =512 mm

Parasitic elements contacting a square section metal boom 25.00 mm across.

Folded dipole mounted same as directors and reflector

Director/reflector diam =3.25 mm

Radiator diam =3.25 mm

ELEMENT LENGTHS AND SPACING

The abbreviation "IT" means "Insert To", it is the construction distance from the element tip to the edge of the boom for through boom mounting

Reflector

269 mm long at boom position = 30 mm (IT = 122.0 mm)

Radiator

Single dipole 240 mm tip to tip at boom posn =132 mm (IT = 107.5 mm)

Folded dipole 265 mm tip to tip at boom posn =132 mm (IT = 120.0 mm)

Dir (no.)	Length (mm)	Spaced (mm)	Boom position (mm)	IT (mm)	Gain (dBd)	Gain (dBi)
1	242	38	171	108.5	5.4	7.6
2	239	92	263	107.0	6.9	9.0
3	237	110	373	106.0	8.1	10.2
4	235	128	501	105.0	9.1	11.2
5	233	143	645	104.0	9.9	12.1
6	231	154	798	103.0	10.7	12.8
7	229	161	960	102.0	11.3	13.4
8	228	169	1129	101.5	11.8	14.0
9	226	177	1305	100.5	12.3	14.5
10	225	184	1490	100.0	12.8	14.9

Spacings measured centre to centre from previous element

Tolerance for element lengths is +/- 2 mm

Boom position is the mounting point for each element as measured

from the rear of the boom and includes the 30 mm overhang. The total boom length is 1520 mm including two overhangs

The beam's estimated 3dB beamwidth is 36 deg

A half wave 4:1 balun uses 0.75 velocity factor RG-6 (foam PE) and is 192 mm long plus leads

Here are some construction details for a folded dipole

Measurements are taken from the inside of bends

Folded dipole length measured tip to tip = 265mm

Total rod length =560mm

Centre of rod=280mm

Distance HI=GF=110mm

Distance HA=GE=138mm

Distance HB=GD=165mm

Distance HC=GC=280mm

Gap at HG=10mm

Bend diameter BI=DF=35mm

If the dipole is considered as a flat plane (see ARRL Antenna Handbook) then its resonant frequency is less than the flat plane algorithm's range of 10:1



