

FACT SHEET

Intelsat 18

Hybrid C-band and Ku-band Satellite for Intelsat



Mission Description

The Intelsat 18 satellite built for Intelsat carries a hybrid payload and is located at an orbital slot at 180 degrees East Longitude. The satellite's C-band payload serves Eastern Asia, the Western Pacific and North America. The Ku-band payload serves North America, French Polynesia, Cook Islands, Australia, New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanatu, Fiji, Tonga, Samoa and other islands.

GEOStar[™] Satellites for Intelsat

Intelsat 18 is one of ten Orbital GEOStar communications satellites ordered by Intelsat. Others include:

Intelsat 15

- Galaxy 14
- Galaxy 15
- Galaxy 12
- Intelsat 11Horizons-2
- Intelsat 16
- Intelsat 23
 - Intelsat 28



Coverage: Asia Pacific Region



Mission: C- and Ku-band communications for the Asia Pacific Region

Customer: Intelsat – Luxembourg



Intelsat 18 is based on Orbital's GEOStar-2 satellite platform.

Intelsat 18

Specifications

Spacecraft

Launch Mass:	3,200 kg (7,055 lb.)
Solar Arrays:	Four panels per array, UTJ Gallium Arsenide cells
Stabilization:	3-axis stabilized; zero momentum system
Propulsion:	Liquid bi-propellant transfer orbit system; monopropellant (hydrazine) on-orbit system
Batteries:	Two >4840 W-Hr capacity Li-lon batteries
Mission Life:	15 years
Orbit:	180° East Longitude

Hybrid Payload

C-band

Repeater:	24 active transponders with two groups of 16-for-12 redundant TWTAs
Antenna:	2.5 x 2.7 m single shell super-elliptical deployable reflector; 1.45 m deck-mounted
Ku-band	
Repeater:	12 active transponders with two groups of 8-for-6 TWTAs
Antenna:	2.5 x 2.7 m single shell deployable reflector

Launch

Launch Vehicle:	Zenit
Site:	Baikonur, Kazakhstan
Date:	October 5, 2011

The GEOStar[™] Advantage

Orbital's highly successful Geosynchronous Earth Orbit (GEO) communications satellites are based on the company's GEOStar spacecraft platform, which is able to accommodate all types of commercial communications payloads and is compatible with all major commercial launchers. The company's GEOStar product line includes the GEOStar-2 design, which is optimized for smaller satellite missions that can support up to 5.0 kilowatts of payload power. Orbital has also developed the higher-power GEOStar-3 spacecraft design, delivering the next increment of payload power for applications between 5.0 and 7.5 kilowatts, allowing Orbital to offer its innovative and reliable satellite design to the medium-class of communications satellites.

Mission Partners

Intelsat

Intelsat is a premier global provider of video and data services via satellite

Orbital Sciences Corporation

Prime contractor for Galaxy 12, 14 and 15; Intelsat 11, 15, 16, 18, 23 and 28; Horizons-2 for an Intelsat/SKY Perfect JSAT joint venture

Land Launch

Launch provider

Coverage Contour Maps

C-band Coverage Area

Northern Hemisphere



Ku-band Coverage Areas F1



Southern Hemisphere





Global



U.S. West





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