Data sheet

VL18-4N3212

V18

PHOTOELECTRIC SENSORS

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Ordering information

Type	part no.
VL18-4N3212	6013540

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Detailed technical data

Features

Functional principle	Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor
Dimensions (W x H x D)	18 mm x 18 mm x 63.6 mm
Housing design (light emission)	Cylindrical
Housing length	63.6 mm
Thread diameter (housing)	M18 x 1
Optical axis	Axial
Sensing range max.	0.05 m ... 3.7 m [1]
Sensing range	0.05 m ... 3 m [1]
Focus	Approx. 2.8°
Type of light	Visible red light
Light source	LED [2]
Light spot size (distance)	Ø 150 mm (3 m)
Angle of dispersion	Approx. 2.8°
Adjustment	Potentiometer, 270° (Sensitivity)

[1] Reflector C110A.
[2] Average service life: 100,000 h at T_U = +25 °C.

Mechanics/electronics

Supply voltage U_B	10 V DC ... 30 V DC [1]
Ripple	± 10 % [2]
Current consumption	30 mA [3]
Switching output	NPN [4]
Switching mode	Light/dark switching [4]
Switching mode selector	Selectable via L/D control cable
Output current $I_{max.}$	≤ 100 mA
Response time	≤ 2 ms [5]
Switching frequency	250 Hz [6]
Connection type	Cable, 4-wire, 2 m [7]
Cable material	Plastic, PVC
Conductor cross section	0.14 mm²
Cable diameter	Ø 5 mm
Circuit protection	A [8] B [9] C [10] D [11]
Protection class	III
Weight	120 g
Polarizing filter	✓
Housing material	Metal, Nickel-plated brass
Optics material	Plastic, PMMA
Enclosure rating	IP67
Ambient operating temperature	–25 °C ... +70 °C
UL File No.	NMFT2.E175606

[1] Limit values.
[2] May not fall below or exceed U_V tolerances.
[3] Without load.
[4] Control wire open: light switching L.ON.
[5] Signal transit time with resistive load.
[6] With light/dark ratio 1:1.
[7] Do not bend below 0 °C.
[8] A = V_S connections reverse-polarity protected.
[9] B = inputs and output reverse-polarity protected.
[10] C = interference suppression.
[11] D = outputs overcurrent and short-circuit protected.

Safety-related parameters

$MTTF_D$	68 years
DC_{avg}	0 %

Certificates

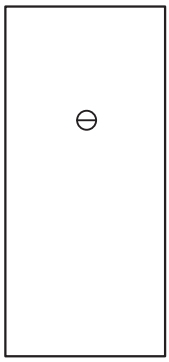
EU declaration of conformity	✓
UK declaration of conformity	✓

ACMA declaration of conformity	✓
Moroccan declaration of conformity	✓
China RoHS	✓
cRUus certificate	✓

Classifications

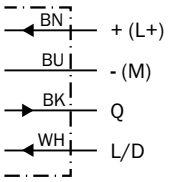
ECLASS 5.0	27270902
ECLASS 5.1.4	27270902
ECLASS 6.0	27270902
ECLASS 6.2	27270902
ECLASS 7.0	27270902
ECLASS 8.0	27270902
ECLASS 8.1	27270902
ECLASS 9.0	27270902
ECLASS 10.0	27270902
ECLASS 11.0	27270902
ECLASS 12.0	27270902
ETIM 5.0	EC002717
ETIM 6.0	EC002717
ETIM 7.0	EC002717
ETIM 8.0	EC002717
UNSPSC 16.0901	39121528

Adjustments

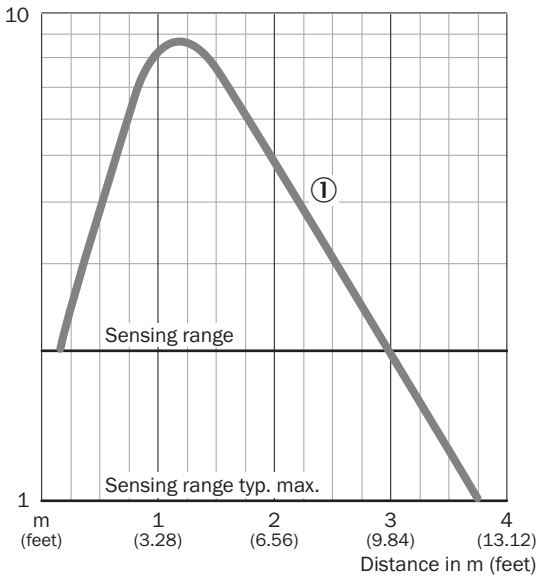


Connection type

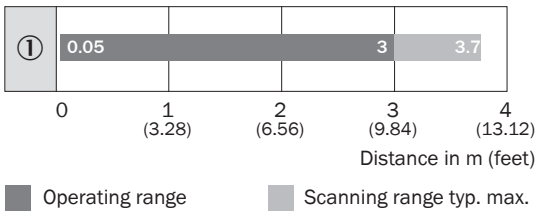
Connection diagram Cd-089



Characteristic curve

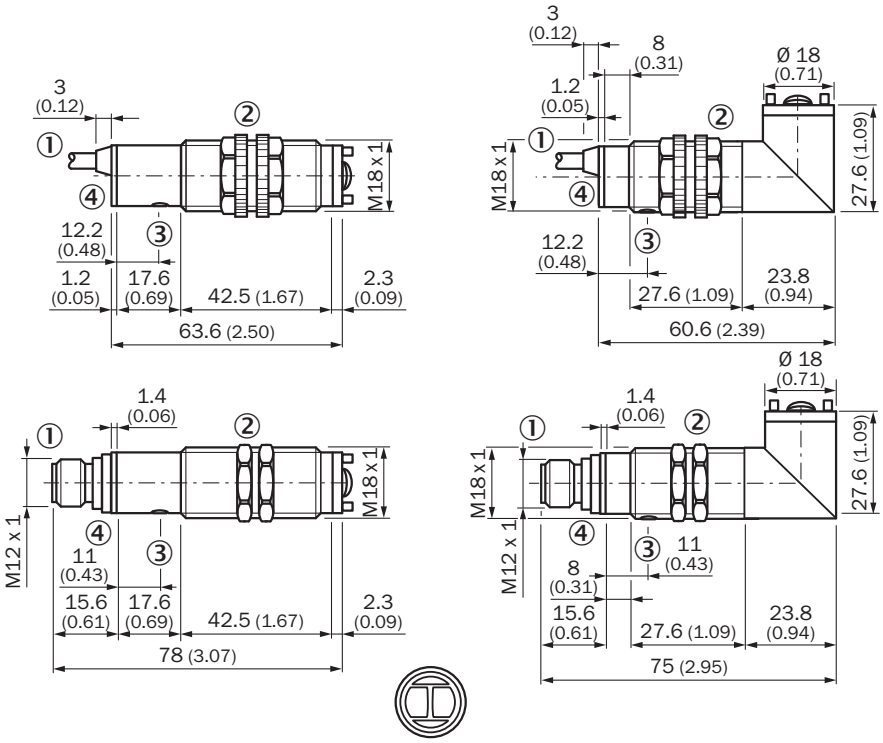


Sensing range diagram



① Reflector type C110

Dimensional drawing



Dimensions in mm (inch)
① Connecting cable or connector
② Fastening nut, 22 mm hex, made of plastic for equipment with plastic housing
② Fastening nut, 24 mm hex, made of metal for equipment with metal housing
③ sensitivity control
④ Signal strength indicator, LED, yellow

Recommended accessories

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	Brief description	Type	part no.
Mounting systems			
	• **Description:** Mounting bracket for M18 sensors • **Material:** Steel • **Details:** Steel, zinc coated • **Items supplied:** Without mounting hardware • **Suitable for:** GR18, V180-2, V18, W15, Z1, Z2	BEF-WN-M18	5308446
	• **Description:** Universal mounting bracket for reflectors • **Dimensions (W x H x L):** 85 mm x 90 mm x 35 mm • **Material:** Steel • **Details:** Steel, zinc coated • **Suitable for:** C110A, P250, PL20, PL30A, PL40A, PL80A	BEF-WN-REFX	2064574

	Brief description	Type	part no.
connectors and cables			
	• **Connection type head A:** Male connector, M12, 4-pin, straight, A-coded • **Description:** Unshielded • **Connection systems:** Screw-type terminals • **Permitted cross-section:** ≤ 0.75 mm²	STE-1204-G	6009932

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