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M12 Series Metal Barrel Sensors

Rugged, self-contained sensors in a 12 mm threaded barrel



Features

- · Complete family of sensors, all housed in a compact 12 mm threaded metal barrel
- Opposed, retroreflective, polarized retroreflective, diffuse and 25, 50, or 75 mm cutoff fixed-field mode operation, depending on model
- Excellent background suppression on fixed-field models; an excellent alternative to proximity sensors
- Two Signal indicator LEDs for easy operating status monitoring from any direction
- 10 to 30V dc operation

Models

• Complementary solid-state outputs (1 normally open, 1 normally closed); PNP (sourcing) or NPN (sinking), depending on model

Sensing Mode		Model*	Range	Output	
Opposed	660 nm Visible Red Effective Beam: 10 mm (0.39")	M12E	5 m (16.4')	N/A	
		M12PR		PNP	
		M12NR		NPN	
olarized Retro	660 nm Visible Red	M12PLP	1.5 m ⁺ (4.9')	PNP	
	POLAR RETRO	M12NLP		NPN	
Retro	660 nm Visible Red	M12PLV	2.5 m [†] (8.2')	PNP	
		M12NLV		NPN	
	Performance based on use of 90% reflectance white test card.				
Diffuse	660 nm Visible Red	M12PD	400 mm (15.7")	PNP	
		M12ND		NPN	

Sensing Mode		Model*	Range	Output	
	Performance based on use of 90% reflectance white test card.				
	680 nm Visible Red		25 mm (1")		
Fixed-Field	Fixed-Field	M12PFF25	25 mm (1") cutoff; 25 mm (1") focus	PNP	
		M12NFF25		NPN	
		M12PFF50	50 mm (2") cutoff; 25 mm (1") focus	PNP	
		M12NFF50		NPN	
		M12PFF75	75 mm (3") cutoff;	PNP	
		M12NFF75	25 mm (1") focus	NPN	
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*Only standard 2 m (6.5') cable models are listed. For 9 m (30') cable, add suffix "W/30" to the model number (e.g., M12E W/30). QD models:

- 4-pin integral Euro-style M12 connector: add suffix "Q8" (e.g., M12EQ8).
- 4-pin 150 mm (6") Euro-style pigtail: add suffix "Q5" (e.g., M12EQ5).

*Retroreflective range is specified using one model **BRT-84** retroreflector. Actual sensing range may be more or less than specified, depending upon efficiency and reflective area of the retroreflector(s) used.

MARNING . . . Not To Be Used for Personnel Protection

Never use these products as sensing devices for personnel protection. Doing so could lead to serious injury or death.

These sensors do NOT include the self-checking redundant circuitry necessary to allow their use in personnel safety applications. A sensor failure or malfunction can cause either an energized or de-energized sensor output condition. Consult your current Banner Safety Products catalog for safety products which meet OSHA, ANSI and IEC standards for personnel protection.

Overview

Banner's M12 family of sensors offers a full complement of sensing modes, all packaged in a compact yet rugged metal housing. Their popular 12-mm threaded barrel design allows them to mount easily into tight spaces, with the excellent performance expected of much larger sensors.

The single-turn Gain potentiometer on most models and two Signal LEDs (positioned on either side of the housing for visibility) provide easy alignment and configuration for reliable sensing (see Figure 1). Note that when the signal LED is not ON, the green Power LED is visible through all three LED ports.

Fixed-Field Mode Overview

M12 Series fixed-field sensors are powerful diffuse-mode sensors with far-limit cutoff (a type of background suppression). Their high excess gain and fixed-field technology allow them to detect objects of low reflectivity that are directly in front of another surface, while ignoring the surface in the background.

The cutoff distance is fixed. Backgrounds and background objects must *always* be placed beyond the cutoff distance.

Fixed-Field Sensing – Theory of Operation

In operation, the M12FF compares the reflections of its emitted light beam (E) from an object back to the sensor's two differently-aimed detectors R1 and R2 (see Figure 2). If the near detector (R1) light signal is stronger than the far detector (R2) light signal (see object A, closer than the cutoff distance), the sensor responds to the object. If the far detector (R2) light signal is stronger than the near detector (R1) light signal (see object B, object beyond the cutoff distance), the sensor ignores the object.

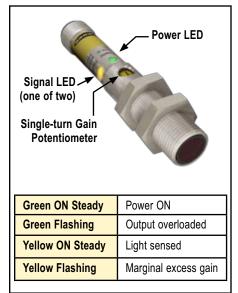
The cutoff distance for model M12FF sensors is fixed at 25, 50, or 75 mm (1", 2", or 3"). Objects lying beyond the cutoff distance are ignored, even if they are highly reflective. However, it is possible to falsely detect a background object, under certain conditions (see Background Reflectivity and Placement).

In the drawings and discussion on these pages, the letters E, R1, and R2 identify how the sensor's three optical elements (Emitter "E", Near Detector "R1", and Far Detector "R2") line up across the face of the sensor. The location of these elements defines the sensing axis (see Figure 3). The sensing axis becomes important in certain situations, such as those illustrated in Figures 6 and 7.

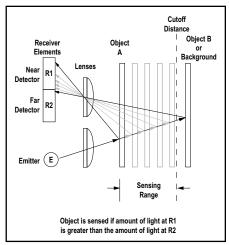
Fixed-Field Sensor Setup

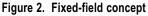
Sensing Reliability

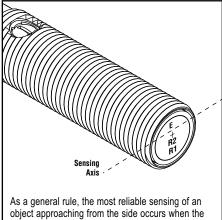
For best sensing reliability, the sensor-to-object distance should be positioned to maximize excess gain. The excess gain curves for these sensors are shown on page 5. Sensing at higher excess gains will make maximum use of the sensor's available sensing power. The background must be placed beyond the cutoff distance; more reflective backgrounds must be placed further back. Following these two guidelines will improve sensing reliability.









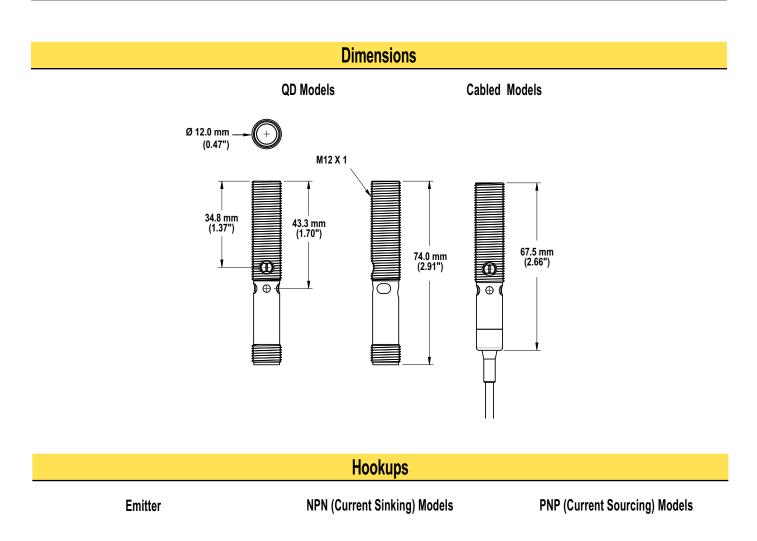


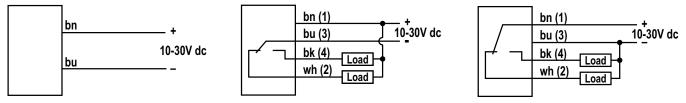
line of approach is parallel to the sensing axis.

Figure 3. Fixed-field sensing axis

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Specifications				
Sensing Beam	Fixed-Field Models: 680 nm visible red All Other Models: 660 nm visible red			
Supply Voltage and Current	10 to 30V dc (10% max. ripple) @ 20 mA max current, exclusive of load			
Supply Protection Circuitry	Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages			
Output Configuration	Complementary (1 normally open and 1 normally closed) solid-state, NPN or PNP, depending on model			
Output Ratings	100 mA total across both outputs with overload and short circuit protection OFF-state leakage current: ON-state saturation voltage: NPN: 200 μA NPN: 1.6V @ 100 mA PNP: 10 μA PNP: 3.0V @ 100 mA			
Output Protection Circuitry	Protected against false pulse on power-up, short-circuit protected			
Output Response Time	Opposed Mode: 1 ms ON and OFF All Other Modes: 500 μs ON and OFF NOTE: 100 ms delay on power-up; outputs do not conduct during this time.			
Repeatability	Opposed Mode: not applicable All Other Modes: 95 microseconds			
Indicators	Two Status (yellow) and one Power (green) LED (see Figure 1)			
Adjustments	Fixed-Field Models: None All Other Models: Single-turn Gain (sensitivity) potentiometer			
Construction Housing: Nickel-plated brass Lenses: PMMA Cable Endcap and Gain Potentiometer Adjuster: PBT				
Environmental Rating	IEC IP67; NEMA 6, IEC IP68 and 1200 PSI Washdown, NEMA ICS 5 Annex F-2002			
Connections	2 m (6.5') or 9 m (30') 4-wire PVC-jacketed cable, 4-pin integral Euro-style QD fitting, or 4-pin 150 mm (6") Euro-style pigtail, depending on model			
Operating Conditions	Operating temperature: -20° to +60° C (-4° to +140° F) Relative humidity: 90% max @ +50° C (+122° F) non-condensing			
Certifications	CE			





Cabled models are shown; QD hookups are functionally identical. (Emitters have no connection to bk and wh.)