



Photoelectric sensors
V180-2, Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor,
Standard optics

VL180-2N42438



Model Name > [VL180-2N42438](#)
Part No. > [6043836](#)



Illustration may differ

At a glance

- Lowest-cost M18 housing sensor on the market
- Sensing distance up to 7 m
- Polarizing filter ensures reliable detection of highly-reflective objects
- Bright power and signal LEDs with 360° visibility
- Includes reflector
- High switching frequencies up to 1000 Hz
- Available in a metal housing for applications in harsh environments
- Optical axis selectively axial or radial (90°)

Your benefits

- Lowest-cost M18 cylindrical sensor on the market reduces installation costs
- Bright red sender LED simplifies alignment and saves installation time
- Bright power and signal LEDs with 360° visibility offer quick and simple troubleshooting, reducing maintenance time and costs
- The flat and smooth lens reduces the collection of dust and dirt, ensuring safe operation with less maintenance and fewer costs
- Polarizing filter prevents false readings on reflective surfaces, reducing downtime



Features

Sensor/detection principle:	Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor, Standard optics
Housing design (light emission):	Cylindrical, angled
Housing length:	84.2 mm
Optical axis:	Radial
Sensing range max.:	0.05 m ... 5.5 m ¹⁾
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Type of light:	Visible red light
Light source:	LED ³⁾
Wave length:	645 nm
Angle of dispersion:	Ca. 4.5 °
Adjustment:	Potentiometer, 270°
Light spot size (distance):	Ø 270 mm (4 m)

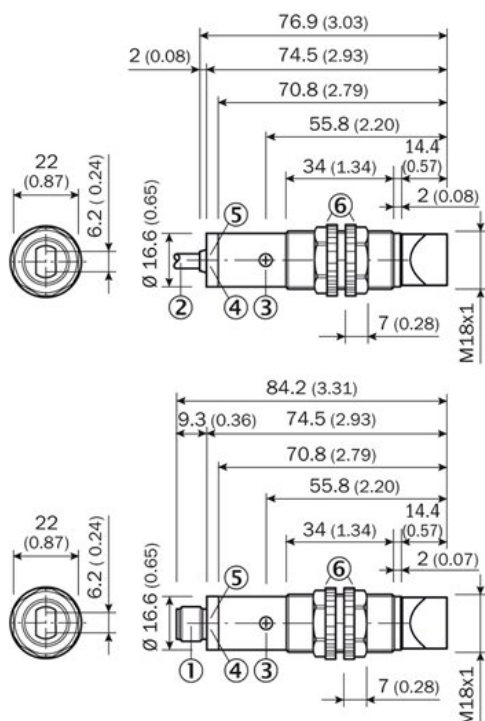
^{1) 2)} PL80A ³⁾ Average service life of 100,000 h at T_A = +25 °C

Mechanics/electronics

Supply voltage:	10 V DC ... 30 V DC ¹⁾
Ripple:	± 10 %
Power consumption:	≤ 30 mA ²⁾
Output type:	NPN ³⁾
Switching mode:	Light/dark-switching ⁴⁾
Signal voltage NPN HIGH/LOW:	Approx. $V_S / < 1.8 \text{ V}$
Output current I _{max} :	≤ 100 mA ⁵⁾
Response time:	≤ 0.5 ms ⁶⁾
Switching frequency:	1,000 Hz ⁶⁾
Connection type:	Connector M12, 4-pin
Circuit protection:::	A, B, D ⁷⁾ ⁸⁾ ⁹⁾
Protection class:	III
Weight:	18 g
Polarisation filter:	✓
Special device:	-
Housing material:	Plastic, PBT/PC
Optics material:	PMMA
Enclosure rating:	IP 67
Items supplied:	Reflector P250
Ambient operating temperature:	-25 °C ... 55 °C
Ambient storage temperature:	-40 °C ... 70 °C

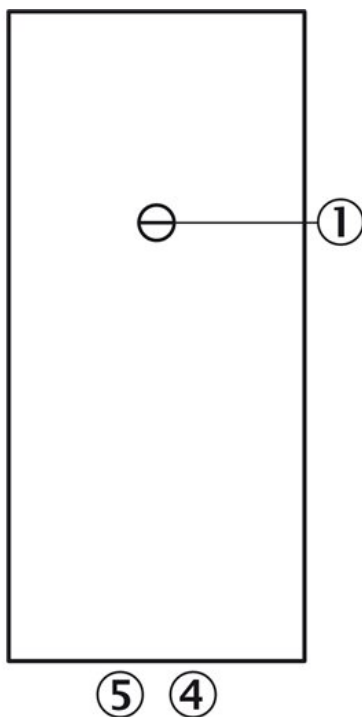
¹⁾ Limit values, operation in short-circuit protected network max. 8 A ²⁾ Without load ³⁾ ⁴⁾ Control wire open: light-switching L.ON ⁵⁾ Signal transit time with resistive load
⁶⁾ With light/dark ratio 1:1 ⁷⁾ $A = V_S$ connections reverse-polarity protected ⁸⁾ B = inputs and output reverse-polarity protected ⁹⁾ D = outputs overcurrent and short-circuit protected

Dimensional drawing



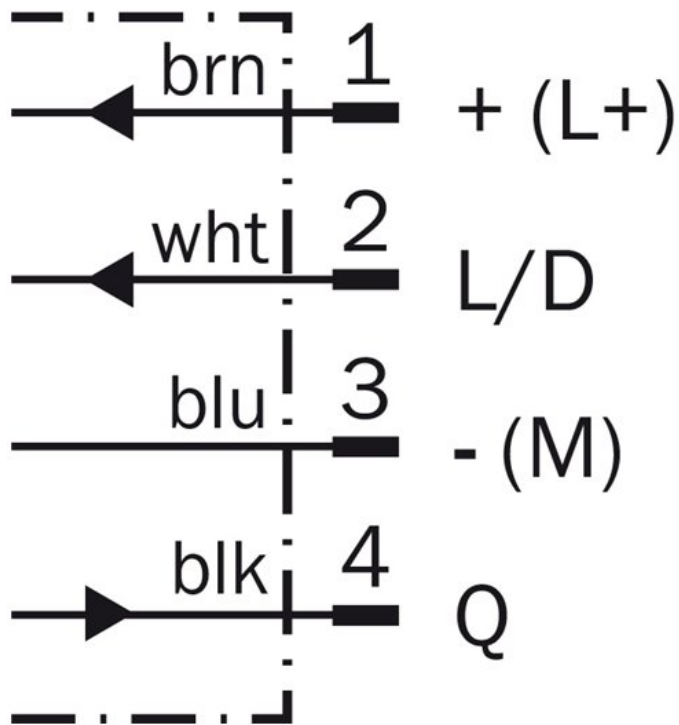
- [1] Connector M12
- [2] Connection cable 2 m
- [3] Sensitivity control; Potentiometer 270°
- [4] LED indicator orange: switching output active
- [5] LED indicator green, stability indicator:
LED lights continuously = light reception < 0.9 / > 1.1; LED off = light reception > 0.9 / < 1.1
- [6] fastening nuts (2 x); width across 22, PC

Adjustments possible

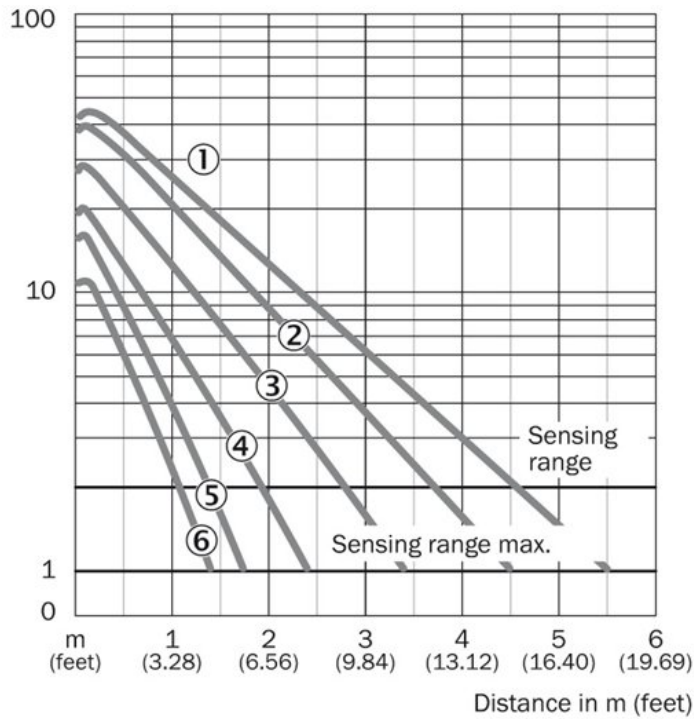


- [3] Sensitivity adjustment 270°
- [4] LED indicator orange: switching output active
- [5] LED indicator green

Connection diagram

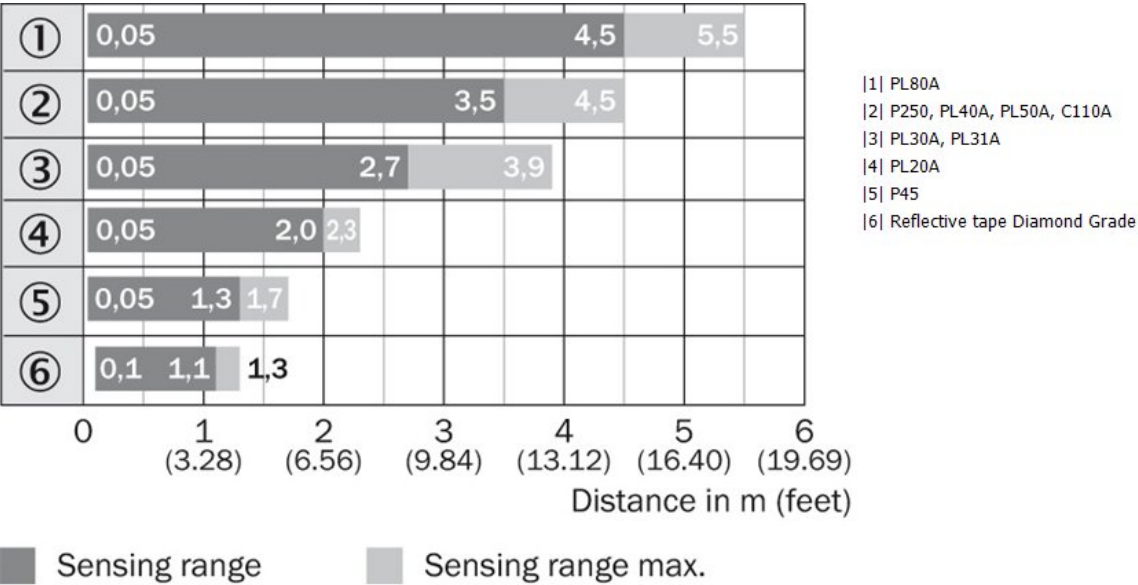


Characteristic curve

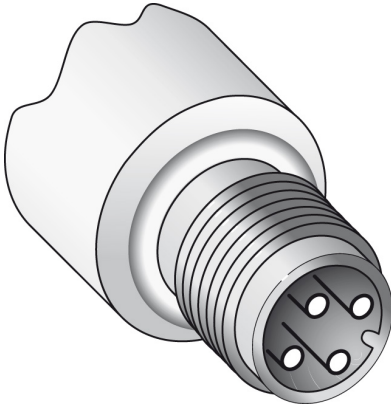


- [1] PL80A
- [2] P250, PL40A, PL50A, C110A
- [3] PL30A, PL31A
- [4] PL20A
- [5] P45
- [6] Reflective tape Diamond Grade

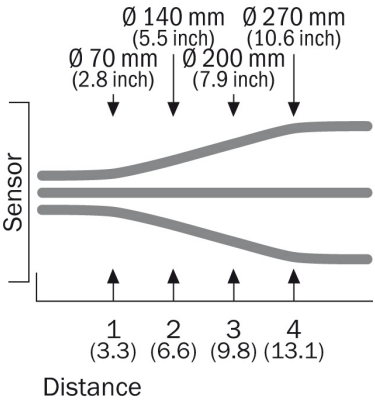
Sensing range diagram



Connection type



Light spot size



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