



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)

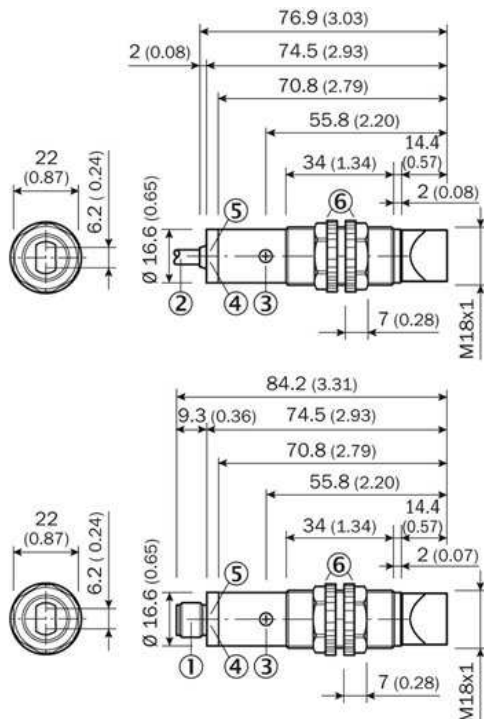
^{1) 2)} PL80A ³⁾ Average service life of 100,000 h at T_A = +25 °C

Mechanics/electronics

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

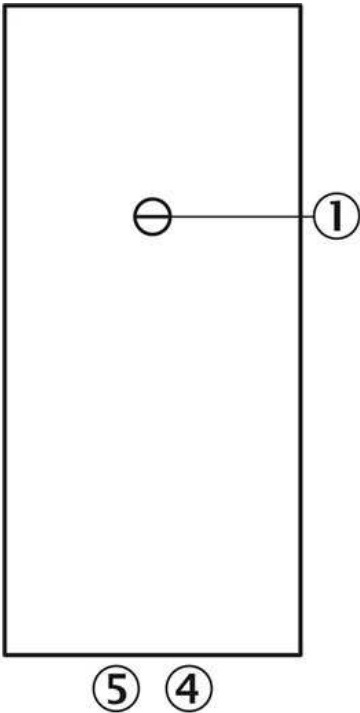
- ¹⁾ Limit values, operation in short-circuit protected network max. 8 A ²⁾ May not exceed or fall short of V_S tolerances ³⁾ Without load ⁴⁾ ⁵⁾ Control wire open: light-switching L.ON ⁶⁾ Signal transit time with resistive load ⁷⁾ With light/dark ratio 1:1 ⁸⁾ A = V_S connections reverse-polarity protected ⁹⁾ B = inputs and output reverse-polarity protected ¹⁰⁾ D = outputs overcurrent and short-circuit protected

Dimensional drawing



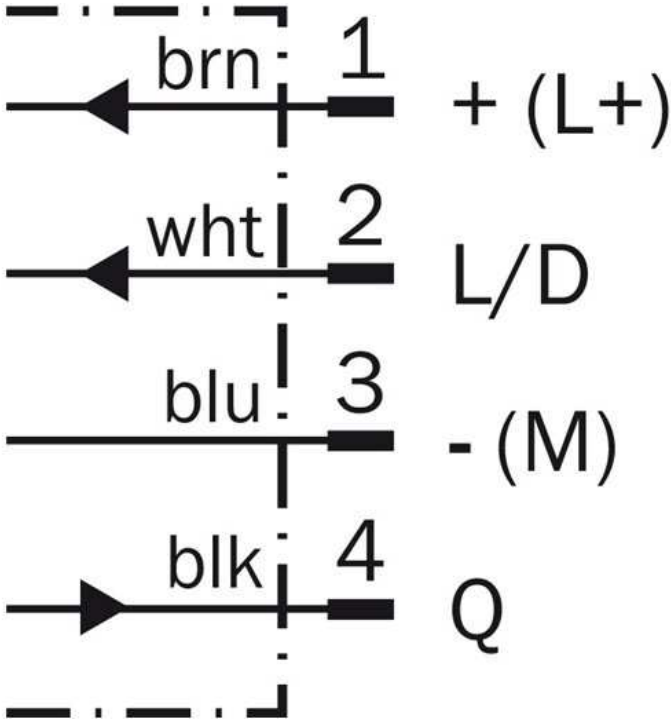
- [1] Connector M12
- [2] Connection cable 2 m
- [3] Sensitivity control; Potentiometer 270°
- [4] LED indicator orange: switching output active
- [5] LED indicator green, stability indicator:
LED lights continuously = light reception < 0.9 / > 1.1; LED off = light reception > 0.9 / < 1.1
- [6] fastening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

Adjustments possible

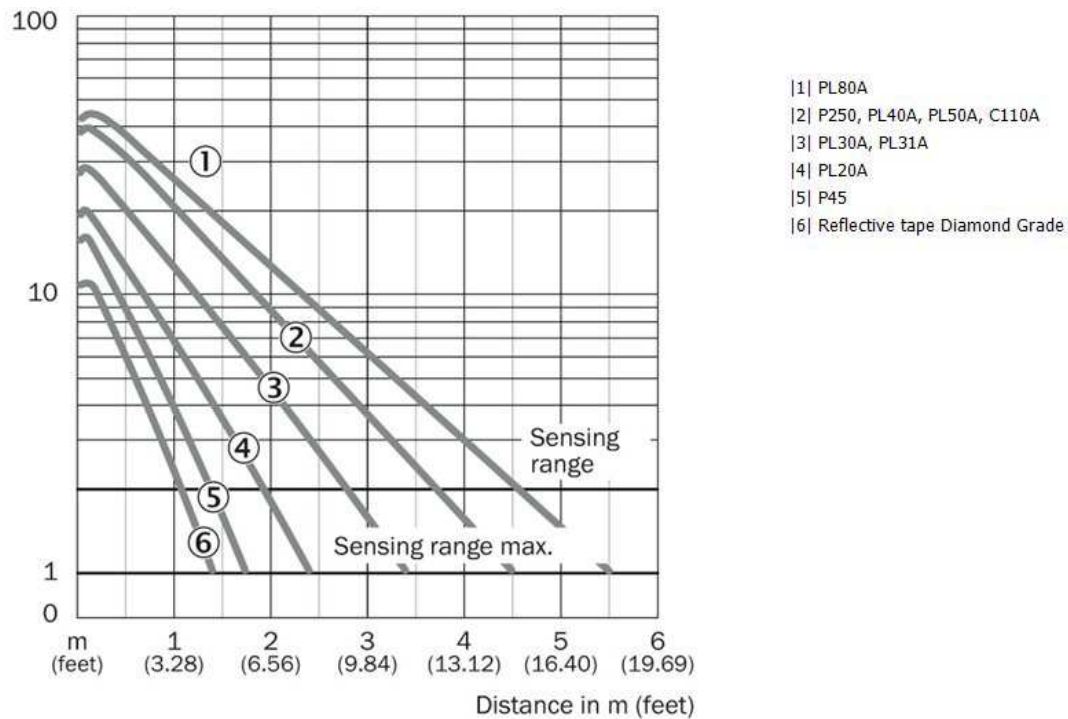


- |3| Sensitivity adjustment 270°
- |4| LED indicator orange: switching output active
- |5| LED indicator green

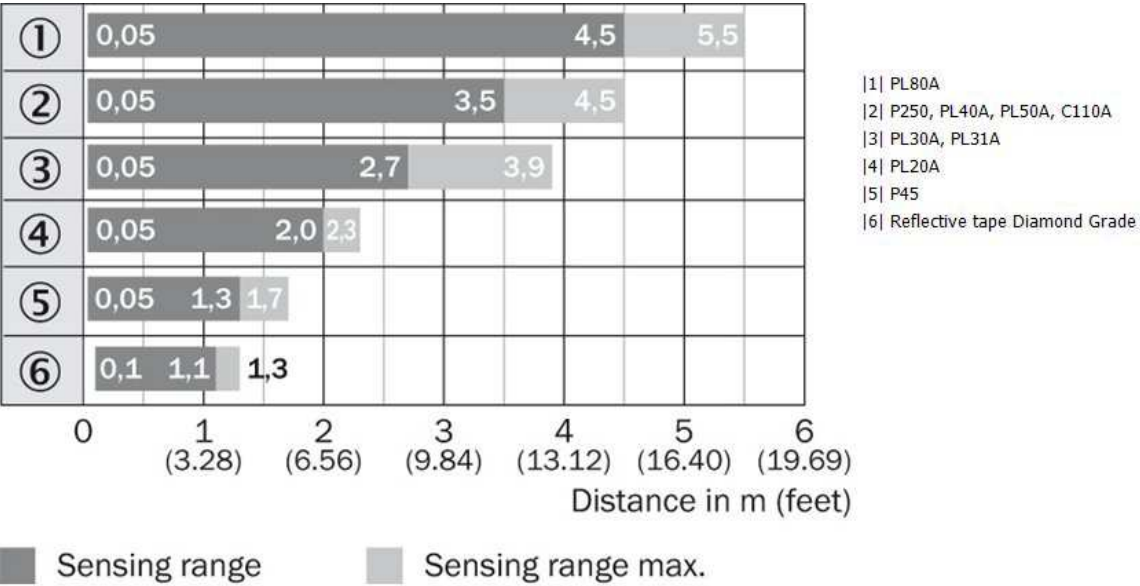
Connection diagram



Characteristic curve



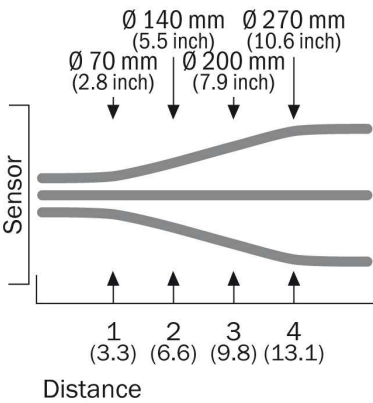
Sensing range diagram



Connection type



Light spot size



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