

## Datasheet


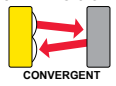
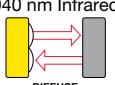
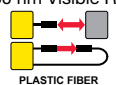
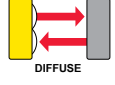
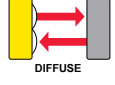


- Easy-to-use Expert-style Static and Dynamic TEACH options, plus Window, Light, and Dark SET, via push button or remote input
- Smart power-control algorithm to maximize performance in low-contrast applications
- Easy push-button or remote sensor setup options:
  - Dark-Operate/Light-Operate select
  - Selectable 30 ms output OFF-delay
- Less than 1 millisecond output response for excellent sensing repeatability
- Tough ABS housing is rated IEC IP67; NEMA 6
- Bright LED operating status indicators are visible from 360°
- Discrete PNP or NPN output, depending on model
- Multiple connection options available (see Models)
- Compact housing, easy barrel-mount (some models) or side-mount installation



**WARNING: Not To Be Used for Personnel Protection**

Never use this device as a sensing device for personnel protection. Doing so could lead to serious injury or death. This device does not include the self-checking redundant circuitry necessary to allow its use in personnel safety applications. A sensor failure or malfunction can cause either an energized or de-energized sensor output condition.

Model	Sensing Mode	Range	Output	Model	Sensing Mode	Range	Output
QS18EN6LP	660 nm Visible Red  POLAR RETRO	3.5 m (12 ft) <sup>1</sup>	NPN	QS18EN6CV15	 CONVERGENT	16 mm (0.65 in)	NPN
QS18EP6LP			PNP	QS18EP6CV15			PNP
QS18EN6D	940 nm Infrared  DIFFUSE	800 mm (31.5 in)	NPN	QS18EN6CV45	 PLASTIC FIBER	Varies by mode and fiber optics used	NPN
QS18EP6D			PNP	QS18EP6CV45			PNP
QS18EN6DB			NPN	QS18EN6FP			NPN
QS18EP6DB			PNP	QS18EP6FP			PNP
QS18EN6W	660 nm Visible Red  DIFFUSE	300 mm (11.8 in)	NPN	QS18EN6DV	660 nm Visible Red  DIFFUSE	600 mm (23.6 in)	NPN
QS18EP6W			PNP	QS18EP6DV			PNP

The standard 2 m (6.5 ft) cable models are listed. To order the 9 m (30 ft) cable models, add the suffix "W/30" to the cabled model number. For example, QS18EN6FP W/30. Models with a quick disconnect (QD) connector require a mating cable.

To order a model with a 4-pin QD 150 mm (6 in) Euro-style pigtail, add suffix "Q5" (for example, QS18EN6FPQ5).

To order a model with a 4-pin 150 mm (6 in) Pico-style pigtail, add suffix "Q" (for example, QS18EN6FPQ).

To order a model with a 4-pin Integral Euro-style QD, add suffix "Q8" (for example, QS18EN6FPQ8).

To order a model with a 4-pin Integral Pico-style QD, add suffix "Q7" (for example, QS18EN6FPQ7).

<sup>1</sup> Specified using BRT-84 reflector (sold separately)



## Overview of QS18E Expert Series Sensors

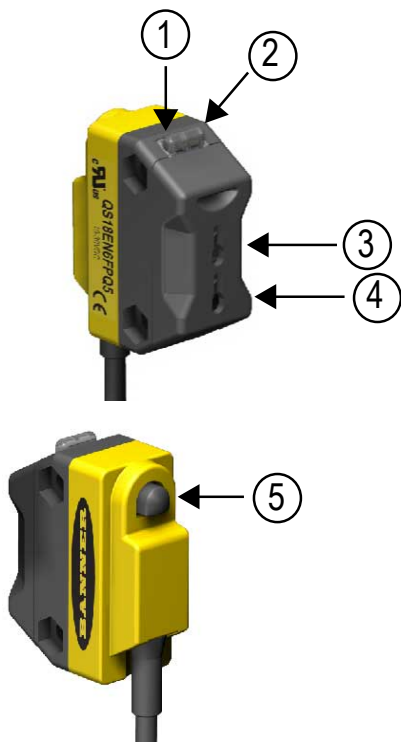


Figure 1. Sensor features

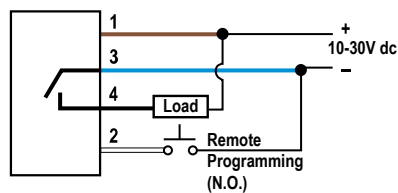
The QS18E Expert Sensors family of sensors provides high-performance sensing in a compact package. The sensors feature a discrete output (NPN or PNP, depending on model), two bright LEDs for easy status monitoring during configuration and operation, multiple configuration options, remote configuration, and security lockout options.

1. Amber output LED
2. Green power indicator LED
3. Receiver port
4. Emitter port
5. Configuration button

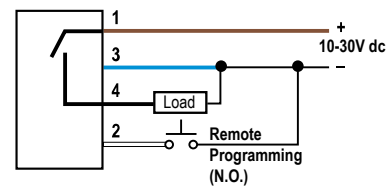
Indicators (Two LEDs: One Green, One Amber)		
Sensor Condition (Run Mode)	Green LED	Amber LED
Output OFF	ON	OFF
Output ON	ON	ON
Output ON, marginal signal	ON	Flashing
Output Short Circuit	Flashing	OFF

## Wiring Diagrams

### NPN (Sinking) Outputs



### PNP (Sourcing) Outputs



Cabled wiring diagrams are shown. Quick disconnect (QD) wiring diagrams are functionally identical.

## Sensor Configuration

Configure the sensor using any of five TEACH or Set options (by push button or the remote wire) to define the sensing limits. Use a Setup procedure to enable a 30 ms OFF-delay or to change the Light-/Dark-Operate setting (see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3). Sensing limit configuration options include:

- Static TEACH: one switching threshold, determined by two taught conditions
- Dynamic (on-the-fly) TEACH: one switching threshold, determined by multiple sampled conditions
- Light Set and Dark Set: one switching threshold, offset from a single sensing condition (the “dark” condition or the “light” condition; see Figure)
- Window Set: a sensing window, centered around a single sensing condition

The sensor’s output is disabled during all TEACH and Set procedures, and is enabled upon return to Run mode.

Following any TEACH or Set procedure other than Static TEACH, the Output ON condition (Light- or Dark-Operate setting) remains as it was last configured. To change that setting or the OFF-delay setting, see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3.

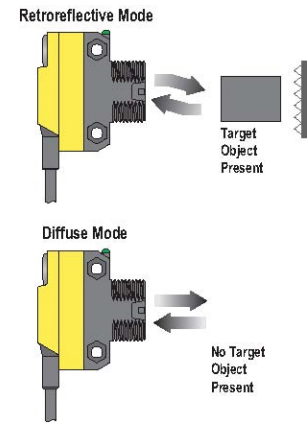


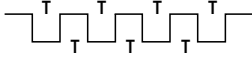
Figure 2. Dark Sensing Condition

### Remote Configuration

Use the remote function to configure the sensor remotely or to disable the push button for security. Connect the white wire of the sensor to ground (0V dc), through a remote programming switch. Pulse the remote line according to the diagrams in the configuration procedures. The length of the individual programming pulses is equal to the value T: 0.04 seconds ≤ T ≤ 0.8 seconds

### Push Button Enable/Disable

The remote input may be used to disable the sensor push button to prevent unauthorized adjustment. Connect the white wire of the sensor as described above to perform the procedure below to either enable or disable the feature.

Push Button Enable/Disable		
Push Button (0.04 seconds ≤ “Click” ≤ 0.8 seconds)	Remote Line (0.04 seconds ≤ T ≤ 0.8 seconds)	Result
Not available	From Run mode, four-pulse the remote line. 	Sensor toggles between enable/disable settings and returns to RUN mode. Power LED: Flashes 3x, then ON Green Output LED: OFF, <sup>2</sup> then ON or OFF, depending on output state


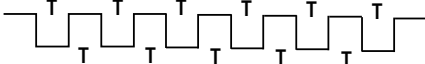
### Returning to RUN Mode without Saving Settings

Exit Static TEACH and Set modes after the automatic 60-second time-out or by manually exiting the process. To manual exit, press and hold the push button (or hold the remote line low) for 2 seconds. The sensor returns to Run mode without saving any new settings.

## Sensor Setup


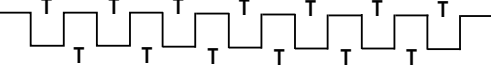
Access setup functions directly from Run mode using the following procedures.

### 30 ms OFF-Delay (Pulse Stretcher) Enable/Disable

Push Button (0.04 seconds ≤ “Click” ≤ 0.8 seconds)	Remote Line (0.04 seconds ≤ T ≤ 0.8 seconds)	Results
From Run mode, six-click the push button. 	From Run mode, six-pulse remote line. 	Sensor toggles between enable/disable settings and returns to Run mode. Power LED: Flashes 3x, then ON Green Output LED: Enabled – ON, <sup>3</sup> Disabled – OFF, <sup>3</sup> Then ON or OFF, depending on output state

<sup>2</sup> Initial output LED condition is simultaneous with Power LED 3-flash  
<sup>3</sup> Initial Output LED condition is simultaneous with Power LED 3-flash.

Light-Operate/Dark-Operate Select

Push Button (0.04 seconds ≤ "Click" ≤ 0.8 seconds)	Remote Line (0.04 seconds ≤ T ≤ 0.8 seconds)	Results
From Run mode, seven-click the push button. 	From Run mode, seven-pulse remote line. 	Sensor toggles between Light-/Dark-Operate settings and returns to Run mode. Power LED: Flashes 3x, then ON Green Output LED: Light Operate – ON, <sup>3</sup> Dark Operate – OFF, <sup>3</sup> Then ON or OFF, depending on output state

Static TEACH

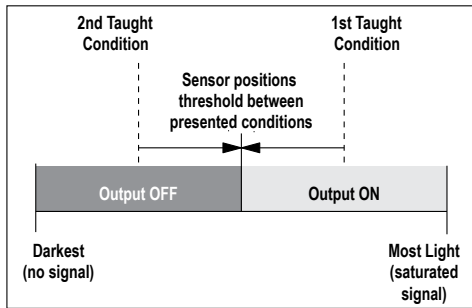




Figure 3. Static TEACH (Light Operate shown)

- Static TEACH locates a single switching threshold (switchpoint) at the optimal location between the two taught conditions, with the Output ON condition on one side, and the Output OFF condition on the other.
- During Static TEACH, the first condition taught is the ON condition. Output ON and OFF conditions may be reversed by switching the TEACH order or by changing the Light-/Dark-Operate setting in setup mode (see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3).
- Static TEACH is recommended for applications where two conditions can be presented individually.


1. Access the Static TEACH Mode.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Press and hold the push button 2 to 4 seconds.	 The sensor waits for the first sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1Hz)
Remote Line	No action required; the sensor is ready for the first sensing condition.	

2. Teach the first sensing condition.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Present the first (ON) sensing condition, then click the push button.	 <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Double-flash
Remote Line	Present the first sensing condition, then single-pulse the remote line.	

3. Teach the second sensing condition.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Present the second (OFF) sensing condition, then click the push button.	 <b>TEACH Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> Flashes 3 times, then solid green <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> OFF The sensor returns to Run mode with the new settings.
Remote Line	Present the second sensing condition, then single-pulse the remote line.	

## Dynamic TEACH

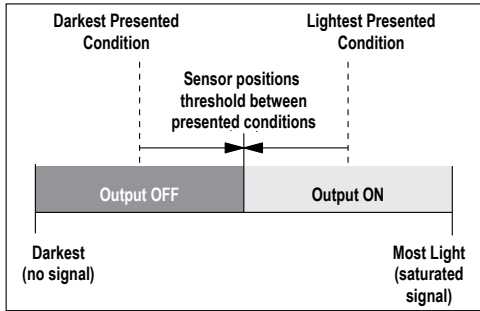


Figure 4. Dynamic TEACH (Light Operate shown)

- Dynamic TEACH sets a single switching threshold (switchpoint).
- Dynamic TEACH is used to teach during actual sensing conditions, taking multiple samples of the light and dark conditions and automatically setting the threshold at the optimum level.
- The Output ON state (Light- or Dark-Operate setting) remains as it was last configured. To change the Light-/Dark-Operate setting, see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3.
- Dynamic TEACH is recommended for applications where a machine or process may not be stopped for teaching.

### 1. Access the Dynamic TEACH mode.

Method	Action		Result
<b>Push Button</b>	Press and hold the push button for longer than 4 seconds.	↓ ●	<b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Quick flash (2 Hz)
<b>Remote Line</b>	Hold the remote line low (to ground) for longer than 2 seconds.		

### 2. Teach the sensing condition.

Method	Action		Result
<b>Push Button</b>	Continue to hold the push button and present the Output ON and OFF conditions multiple times.	↓ ●	<b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Quick flash (2 Hz)
<b>Remote Line</b>	Continue to hold the remote line low (to ground) and present the Output ON and OFF conditions multiple times.		

### 3. Return to Run mode.

Method	Action		Result
<b>Push Button</b>	Release the push button.	↑ ●	<b>TEACH Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> Flashes 3 times, then solid green <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> OFF <sup>4</sup> , then ON or OFF depending on the output state  The sensor returns to Run mode with the new settings.
<b>Remote Line</b>	Release the remote line/switch.		

**TEACH Not Accepted**  
**Power LED Indicator:** Flashes 3 times, then solid green  
**Output LED Indicator:** ON<sup>4</sup>, then ON or OFF depending on the output state  
 The sensor returns to Run mode without changing settings.

## Light Set

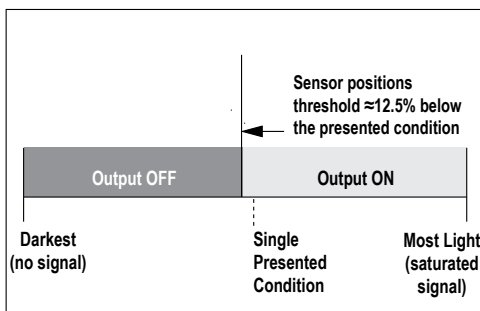




Figure 5. Light Set (Light Operate shown)


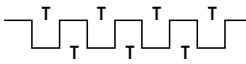
- Light Set sets a threshold approximately 12.5% below the presented sensing condition.
- Any condition darker than the threshold causes the output to change state.
- In Light-Operate mode, the presented condition is the Output ON condition. In Dark-Operate mode, the presented condition is the Output OFF condition. To change the Light-/Dark-Operate setting, see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3.
- Light Set is recommended for applications where only one condition is known, for example a stable light background with varying darker targets, or in retroreflective applications.

<sup>4</sup> The initial output LED indicator condition is simultaneous with the power LED indicator 3-flash

1. Access the Light Set mode.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Press and hold the push button 2 to 4 seconds.	 The sensor waits for the sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1 Hz)
Remote Line	Single-pulse the remote line.	 The sensor waits for the sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Double-flash

2. Set the sensing condition.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Present the sensing condition, then four-click the push button.	 <b>TEACH Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> Flashes 3 times, then solid green <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> OFF <sup>5</sup> , then ON or OFF, depending on the output state
Remote Line	Present the sensing condition, then four-pulse the remote line.	 The sensor returns to Run mode with the new settings. <b>TEACH Not Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1 Hz) The sensor returns to the wait state, ready for the sensing condition.

### Dark Set

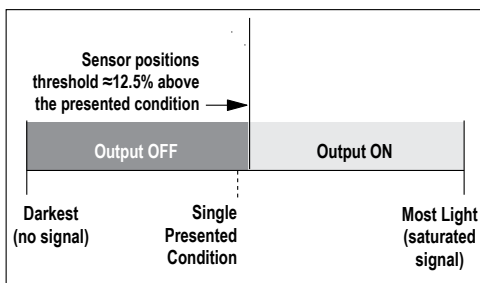





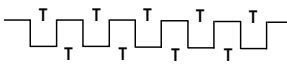
Figure 6. Dark Set (Light Operate shown)

- Dark Set sets a threshold approximately 12.5% above the presented sensing condition.
- Any condition lighter than the threshold causes the output to change state.
- In Light-Operate mode, the presented condition is the Output OFF condition. In Dark-Operate mode, the presented condition is the Output ON condition. To change the Light-/Dark-Operate setting, see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3.
- Dark Set is recommended for applications where only one condition is known, for example a stable dark background with varying lighter targets, or when maximum excess gain is required.

1. Access the Dark Set mode.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Press and hold the push button 2 to 4 seconds.	 The sensor waits for the sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1 Hz)
Remote Line	Single-pulse the remote line.	 The sensor waits for the sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Double-flash

2. Set the sensing condition.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Present the sensing condition, then five-click the push button.	 <b>TEACH Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> Flashes 3 times, then solid green <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> OFF <sup>6</sup> , then ON or OFF, depending on the output state
Remote Line	Present the sensing condition, then five-pulse the remote line.	 The sensor returns to Run mode with the new settings. <b>TEACH Not Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1 Hz) The sensor returns to the wait state, ready for the sensing condition.

<sup>5</sup> The initial output LED indicator condition is simultaneous with the power LED indicator 3-flash.

<sup>6</sup> The initial output LED indicator condition is simultaneous with the power LED indicator 3-flash.

## Window Set

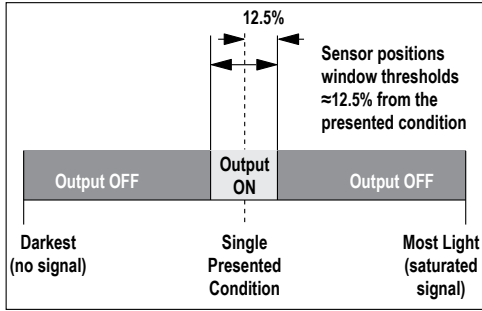


Figure 7. Window Set (Light Operate shown)

- In Window Set, the single ON condition window extends approximately 12.5% above and below the presented condition when Light Operate is selected. Output ON and OFF conditions may be reversed by changing the Light-/Dark-Operate setting (see [Sensor Setup](#) on p. 3).
- Lighter or darker conditions outside of the window cause the output to change state.
- Window Set is recommended for applications where the target to be sensed may not always appear in the same place, or when other unwanted signals may appear.

### 1. Access the Window Set mode.

Method	Action		Result
<b>Push Button</b>	Press and hold the push button 2 to 4 seconds.		The sensor waits for the sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1 Hz)
<b>Remote Line</b>	Single-pulse the remote line.		The sensor waits for the sensing condition. <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Double-flash

### 2. Set the sensing condition.

Method	Action		Result
<b>Push Button</b>	Present the sensing condition, then double-click the push button.		<b>TEACH Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> Flashes 3 times, then solid green <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> OFF <sup>7</sup> , then ON or OFF, depending on the output state
<b>Remote Line</b>	Present the sensing condition, then double-pulse the remote line.		The sensor returns to Run mode with the new settings. <b>TEACH Not Accepted</b> <b>Power LED Indicator:</b> OFF <b>Output LED Indicator:</b> Slow flash (1 Hz)  The sensor returns to the wait state, ready for the sensing condition.

## Specifications

### Supply Voltage

10 to 30 V dc (10% maximum ripple) at less than 35 mA, exclusive of load; 10 to 24 V dc at > 55° C

### Supply Protection Circuitry

Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages

### Output Configuration

Current sourcing (PNP) or current sinking (NPN), depending on model; Light- or dark-operate selectable; Selectable 30 ms output OFF-delay

Rating: 100 mA max

**Off-state leakage current:** less than 50 µA at 30 V dc (see Application Note 1)

**ON-state saturation voltage:** less than 1.5 V at 100 mA (1.7V for 30 ft cable models)

### Output Protection Circuitry

Protected against false pulse on power-up and continuous overload or short-circuit of output

### Output Response

**Note:** Momentary delay on power-up; output does not conduct during this time  
600 µs ON/OFF

### Repeatability

75 µs

### Construction

ABS housing, PMMA lens

### Connections

PVC-jacketed 4-conductor 2 m (6.5 ft) or 9 m (30 ft) unterminated cable, or 4-pin Euro-style or 4-pin Pico-style quick-disconnect (QD), either integral or 150 mm (6 in) pigtail, are available. QD cordsets are ordered separately.

<sup>7</sup> The initial output LED indicator condition is simultaneous with the power LED indicator 3-flash.

**Operating Conditions**

**Temperature:** -20 °C to +70 °C (-4 °F to +158 °F)  
**Relative Humidity:** 95% at +50 °C maximum relative humidity (non-condensing)

**Application Notes**

If the push button does not appear to be responsive, perform the push button enable procedure  
 To maintain backwards compatibility with earlier models, 3 remote line pulses or a push button hold followed by 3 push button clicks will perform a Dark SET.

**Certifications**



**Required Overcurrent Protection**

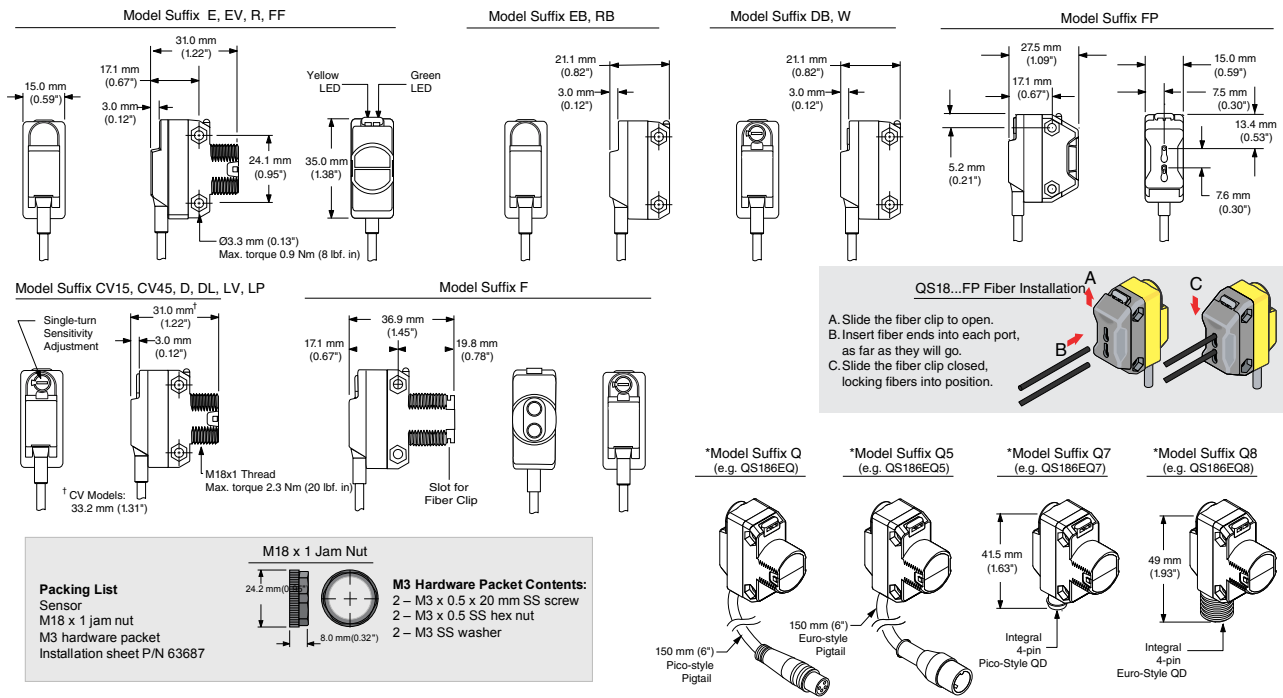


**WARNING:** Electrical connections must be made by qualified personnel in accordance with local and national electrical codes and regulations.

Overcurrent protection is required to be provided by end product application per the supplied table.  
 Overcurrent protection may be provided with external fusing or via Current Limiting, Class 2 Power Supply.  
 Supply wiring leads < 24 AWG shall not be spliced.  
 For additional product support, go to [www.bannerengineering.com](http://www.bannerengineering.com).

Supply Wiring (AWG)	Required Overcurrent Protection (Amps)
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22	3.0
24	2.0
26	1.0
28	0.8
30	0.5

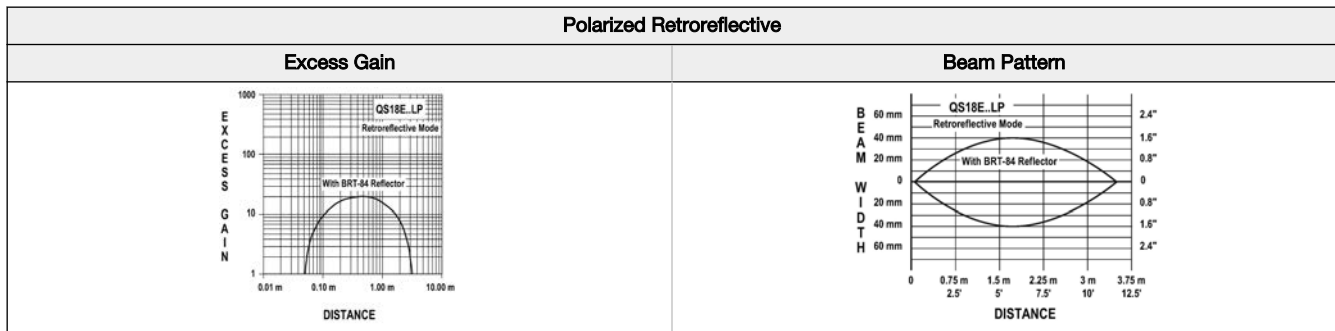
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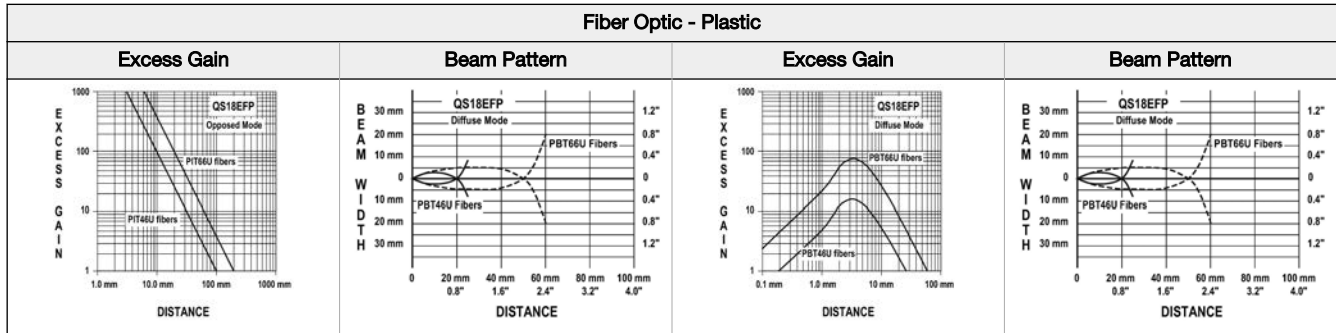
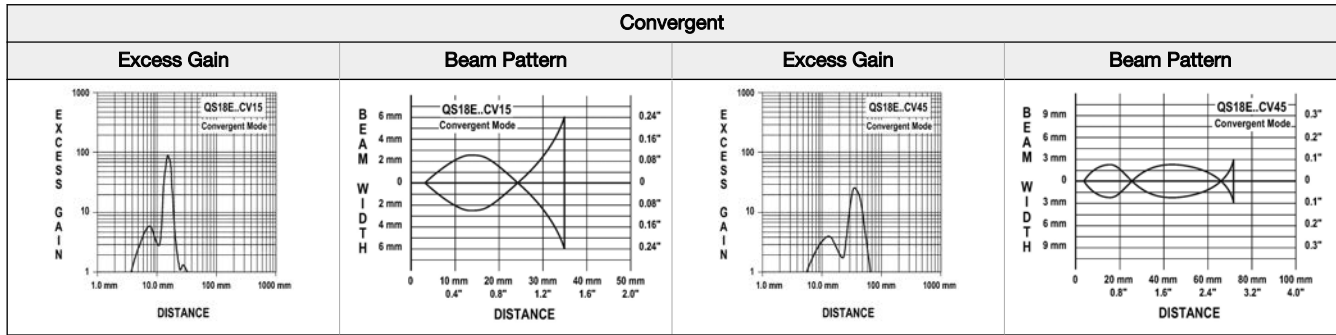
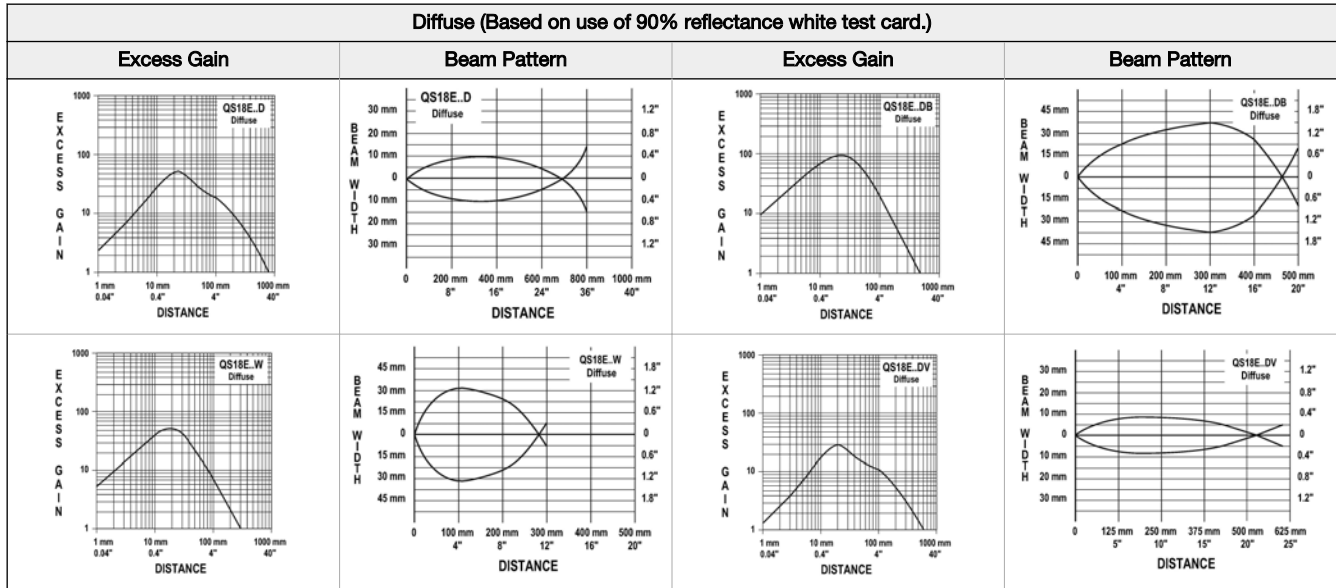
All measurements are listed in millimeters [inches], unless noted otherwise.

**Performance Curves**

Performance using Dark Set, performed in no-light condition.







## Accessories

4-Pin Snap-on M8/Pico-Style Cordsets—Single Ended				
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
PKG4-2	2 m (6.56 ft)	Straight		<p style="text-align: center;">                     1 = Brown                      2 = White                      3 = Blue                      4 = Black                 </p>

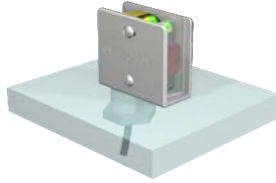
4-Pin Snap-on M8/Pico-Style Cordsets—Single Ended				
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
PKW4Z-2	2 m (6.56 ft)	Right-Angle		

4-Pin Threaded M12/Euro-Style Cordsets—Single Ended				
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
MQDC-406	1.83 m (6 ft)	Straight		<p>1 = Brown 2 = White 3 = Blue 4 = Black</p>
MQDC-415	4.57 m (15 ft)			
MQDC-430	9.14 m (30 ft)			
MQDC-450	15.2 m (50 ft)	Right-Angle		
MQDC-406RA	1.83 m (6 ft)			
MQDC-415RA	4.57 m (15 ft)			
MQDC-430RA	9.14 m (30 ft)			
MQDC-450RA	15.2 m (50 ft)			

<p><b>SMB312S</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stainless steel 2-axis, side-mount bracket</li> </ul> <p>A = 4.3 × 7.5, B = diam. 3, C = 3 × 15.3</p>	<p><b>SMBQS18DIN</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Right-angle bracket assembly for mounting on 35 mm DIN rail</li> <li>300 series stainless steel and glass filled nylon; zinc-plated screws</li> </ul>
<p><b>SMBQS18Y</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Die-cast bracket for 18 mm holes</li> <li>Includes metal hex nut and lock washer</li> <li>Allows ± 8° for cabled sensors</li> </ul> <p>Hole size: A = ø 15.3</p>	<p><b>SMB18A</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Right-angle mounting bracket with a curved slot for versatile orientation</li> <li>12-ga. stainless steel</li> <li>18 mm sensor mounting hole</li> <li>Clearance for M4 (#8) hardware</li> </ul> <p>Hole center spacing: A to B = 24.2 Hole size: A = ø 4.6, B = 17.0 × 4.6, C = ø 18.5</p>

**SMB4050YL**

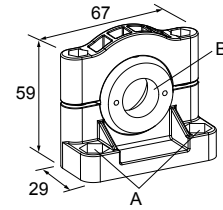
- Heavy-duty die-cast bracket for industrial protection
- Replaceable window for use with some sensor models
- M18 vertical mounting option
- Nut and lock washer included



A =  $\varnothing$  15.3

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- 18 mm swivel side or barrel-mount bracket
- Black reinforced thermoplastic polyester
- Stainless steel swivel locking hardware included



**Hole center spacing:** A = 50.8  
**Hole size:** A =  $\varnothing$  7.0, B =  $\varnothing$  18.0

Additional available brackets: SMB46A, SMB18SF, SMBQS18RA, SMB18FA, SMBQS18A

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