# Proximity Sensors Capacitive Thermoplastic Polyester Housing Type CA, M18, AC







- Featuring *TRIPLESHIELD*™ sensor protection
- Rated operational voltage: 20-250 VAC
- Adjustable sensing distance 3-8 mm or 3-12 mm
- Output: SCR
- Make or break switching function
- LED indication
- · High noise immunity
- Flush and non-flush types
- Plug and cable versions
- DC versions in the same housing

# **Product Description**

Capacitive proximity switches with either sensing distance 8 mm flush mounted in metal or sensing distance 12 mm non-flush mounted. 2-wire AC output with make (NO) or bre-

ak (NC) switching. Grey M18 polyester housing with 2 m PVC cable or M12 plug. Ideal for use in level and plastic machinery applications.

# Capacitive proximity switch Housing style Housing size Housing material Housing length Detection principle Sensing distance Output type Output configuration Connection type

# **Type Selection**

Housing diameter	Rated operating dist. (S <sub>n</sub> ) 1)		Ordering no. SCR/cable Make switching	Ordering no. SCR/plug Make switching	Ordering no. SCR/cable Break switching	Ordering no. SCR/plug Break switching
M18	8 mm	Flush (built-in)	CA18CLF08TO	CA18CLF08TOM6	CA18CLF08TC	CA18CLF08TCM6
M18	12 mm	Non-flush	CA18CLN12TO	CA18CLN12TOM6	CA18CLN12TC	CA18CLN12TCM6

1) Object: Grounded steel plate

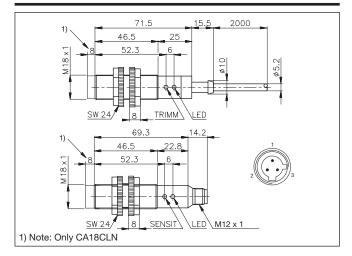
# **Specifications**

Rated operating dist. (S <sub>n</sub> ) CA18CLF08	3 to 8 mm
CA18CLN12	factory set at 8 mm 3 to 12 mm factory set at 12 mm
Sensitivity	Adj. 270° turn pot. meter
Effective operation dist. (S <sub>r</sub> )	$0.9 \times S_n \le S_r \le 1.1 \times S_n$
Usable operation dist. (S <sub>u</sub> )	$0.8 \ x \ S_r \leq S_u \leq 1.2 \ x \ S_r$
Repeat accuracy (R)	≤ 5%
Hysteresis (H)	4 to 20% of sensing distance
Rated operational volt. (U <sub>B</sub> )	20 to 250 VAC (ripple incl.)
Ripple	≤ 10%
Rated operational current (I <sub>e</sub> ) Continuous Short-time	≤ 500 mA < 2.5 A (max. 20 ms)
Min. load current	10 mA
Voltage drop (U <sub>d</sub> )	$\leq$ 10 VAC (at loads $\geq$ 20 mA)
Protection	Transients
Power ON delay	≤ 100 ms
Freq. of operating cycles (f)	10 Hz

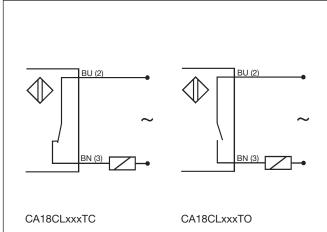
Indication for output ON	LED, yellow
Environment	
Degree of protection	IP 67 (Nema 1, 2, 12)
Temperature	
Operating temperature	-25° to +80°C (-13° to +176°F)
Storage temperature	-40° to +85°C (-40° to +185°F)
Housing material	
Body	Grey, thermoplastic polyester
Front	Grey, polyester
Cable end	Polyester
Nuts	Black, reinforced nylon
Connection	
Cable	Grey, 2 m, 2 x 0.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
	Oil proof PVC
Plug (M6)	M12 x 1, double keyed
Cable for plug (M6)	CON.6A-series
Weight	
Cable version	110 g
Plug version	30 g
Approvals	UL, CSA
CE-marking	Yes

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#### **Dimensions**



## **Wiring Diagrams**



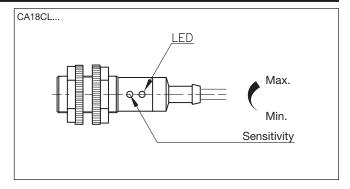
## **Adjustment Guide**

The environments in which capacitive sensors are installed can often be unstable regarding temperature, humidity, object distance and industrial (noise) interference. Because of this, Carlo Gavazzi offers as standard features in all TRIPLESHIELD™ capacitive sensors a user-friendly sensitivity adjustment instead of having a fixed sensing range, extended sensing range to

accommodate mechanically demanding areas, temperature stability to ensure minimum need for adjusting sensitivity if temperature varies and high immunity to electromagnetic interference (EMI).

#### Note:

Sensors are factory set (default) to maximum rated sensing range.



#### **Installation Hints**

Capacitive sensors have the unique ability to detect almost all materials, either in liquid or solid form. Capacitive sensors can detect metallic as well as non-metallic objects, however, their traditional use is for non-metallic materials such as:

Plastic Industry
 Resins, regrinds or moulded products.

#### Chemical Industry

Cleansers, fertilisers, liquid soaps, corrosives and petrochemicals.

#### Wood Industry

Saw dust, paper products, door and window frames.

#### Ceramic & Glass Industry

Raw material, clay or finished products, bottles.

 Packaging Industry Package inspection for level or contents, dry goods, fruits and vegetables, dairy products.

Materials are detected due to their dielectric constant. The bigger the size of an object, the higher the density of material, the better or easier it is to detect the object. Nominal sensing di-

stance for a capacitive sensor is referenced to a grounded metal plate (ST37). For additional information regarding dielectric ratings of materials please refer to Technical Information.

