R-GAGE® Q120RA-AF Sensor



Datasheet

Radar-Based Narrow-Beam Sensors for Detection of Moving and Stationary Targets



- FMCW (true-presence) radar detects moving and stationary objects
- · Narrow beam pattern and high sensitivity
- Adjustable sensing field ignores objects beyond setpoint
- Easy setup and configuration of range, sensitivity, and output with simple DIP switches
- Sensing functions are unaffected by wind, falling rain or snow, fog, humidity, air temperatures, or light
- Sensor operates in Industrial, Scientific, and Medical (ISM) telecommunication band
- Rugged IP67 housing withstands harsh environments

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CAUTION: Make No Modifications to this Product

Any modifications to this product not expressly approved by Banner Engineering could void the user's authority to operate the product. Contact Banner Engineering for more information.



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.

Models

Model ¹	Sensing Range	Connection	Supply Voltage	Telecom Approval	Output
Q120RA-US-AF		5-wire 2 m (6.5 ft) Integral cable	12 to 30 V dc	Telecom approved for US and Brazil	Din also MDM/DMD
Q120RA-EU-AF	12 m (39.4 ft)			Telecom approved for Europe, UK, Australia, New Zealand, China, and Japan	Bipolar NPN/PNP DIP-switch-selectable N.O. or N.C.
Q120RA-KR-AF			12 to 24 V dc	Telecom approved for South Korea	

¹ Cabled models only are listed. For integral 5-pin Euro-style (M12) quick-disconnect fitting, add suffix "Q" to the model number (for example, Q120RA-xx-AFQ). QD models require a mating cordset; see *Quick Disconnect (QD) Cordsets* on page 7.



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Overview

The R-GAGE sensor emits a well-defined beam of high-frequency radio waves from an internal antenna. Some of this emitted energy is reflected back to the receiving antenna. Signal processing electronics determine the distance from the sensor to the object based on the time delay of the return signal. The sensor can be configured (via DIP switches) to sense objects up to a specific distance, ignoring objects beyond this distance (also called background suppression).

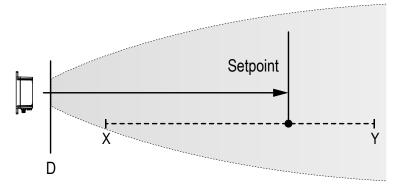


Figure 2. R-GAGE setpoint distances

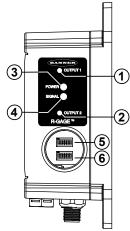


Figure 1. R-GAGE features

- Output LEDs: Yellow (output 1 energized); Red (configuration)
- 2. Output LEDs: Yellow (output 2 energized); Red (configuration)
- 3. Power LED: Green (power ON)
- 4. Signal Strength LED: Red (flashes in proportion to the signal strength)
- 5. DIP switch row A
- 6. DIP switch row B

Access the DIP switches behind the threaded cap on the sensor side

		EU, KR Models	US Models
Х	Minimum Zone 1 setpoint distance	2 m (6.6 ft)	3 m (9.8 ft)
Υ	Maximum Zone 1 setpoint distance	12 m (39.4 ft)	12 m (39.4 ft)
D	Dead Zone ²		

Sensor Configuration

The sensitivity and output configuration can be selected via the DIP switches on the side of the sensor. Use the included spanner to open the screw-off cover on the side of the sensor and access the DIP switches.



Important: Tighten the DIP switch cover a full quarter turn after contact to maintain the watertight seal.

DIP Switch Functions

Switches	Function	
A1, A2, A3, A4	Sensing Distance (detects objects from sensor face to this point)	
A5, A6, A7, A8	Not Used	
B1, B2, B3	ensitivity (higher sensitivity sees weaker objects and has a larger beam pattern)	
B4, B5, B6	esponse Speed	
B7	ormally Open/Normally Closed output functionality	
B8	Not Used	

DIP switch 1 is on the left and DIP switch 8 is on the right.

Typical dead zone: 0.4 m (1.3 ft) for moving and 1.0 m (3.3 ft) for stationary targets, but varies with target reflectivity.

Distance Settings

	Zone 1 Distance					
0.4			A4	Distance		
A1	A2	A3		EU, KR	US	
0	0	0	0	2 m (6.6 ft)	3 m (9.8 ft)	
0	0	0	1	2.25 m (7.4 ft)	3 m (9.8 ft)	
0	0	1	0	2.5 m (8.2 ft)	3 m (9.8 ft)	
0	0	1	1	2.75 m (9.0 ft)	3 m (9.8 ft)	
0	1	0	0	3 m (9.8 ft)	3.25 m (10.7 ft)	
0	1	0	1	3.25 m (10.7 ft)	3.5 m (11.5 ft)	
0	1	1	0	3.5 m (11.5 ft)	3.75 m (12.3 ft)	
0	1	1	1	4 m (13.1 ft)	4 m (13.1 ft)	
1*	0*	0*	0*	5 m (16.4 ft)	5 m (16.4 ft)	
1	0	0	1	6 m (19.7 ft)	6 m (19.7 ft)	
1	0	1	0	7 m (23.0 ft)	7 m (23.0 ft)	
1	0	1	1	8 m (26.2 ft)	8 m (26.2 ft)	
1	1	0	0	9 m (29.5 ft)	9 m (29.5 ft)	
1	1	0	1	10 m (32.8 ft)	10 m (32.8 ft)	
1	1	1	0	11 m (36.1 ft)	11 m (36.1 ft)	
1	1	1	1	12 m (39.4 ft)	12 m (39.4 ft)	

^{*} Default settings

Sensitivity Selection

B1	B2	В3	Sensitivity
0*	0*	0*	8 (Highest)
0	0	1	7
0	1	0	6 (High)
0	1	1	5
1	0	0	4 (Medium)
1	0	1	3
1	1	0	2 (Low)
1	1	1	1 (Lowest)

^{*} Default settings

Output Configuration

В7	Normally Open / Closed
0*	N.O.
1	N.C.

* Default settings

Response Speed

	В4	B5	В6	ON (ms)	OFF (ms)	Total (ms)
Γ	0	0	0	15	15	30

В4	B5	В6	ON (ms)	OFF (ms)	Total (ms)
0	0	1	30	70	100
0	1	0	30	120	150
0*	1*	1*	50	300	350
1	0	0	50	600	650
1	0	1	30	1000	1030
1	1	0	120	600	720
1	1	1	120	6000	6120

^{*} Default settings

Specifications

Range

The sensor is able to detect a proper object (see Detectable Objects) from 1 to 12 m (3.3 to 39.4 ft), depending on target

Detectable Objects

Objects containing metal, water, or similar high-dielectric materials

Operating Principle

Frequency modulated continuous-wave (FMCW) radar

Operating Frequency

US Models: 24.075–24.175 GHz, ISM Band EU, KR Models: 24.050–24.250 GHz, ISM Band

Maximum Output Power ERP: 3.3 mW, 5 dBm EIRP: 100 mW, 20 dBm

Supply Protection Circuitry

Protected against reverse polarity and transient overvoltages

Connections

Integral 5-wire 2 m (6.5 ft) cable or M12 Euro-style QD fitting. QD models require a mating cordset

Delay at Power-up

Less than 2 seconds

Output Configuration

Bipolar NPN/PNP output, 150mA; DIP switch B7 selects N.O. (default)

or N.C. operation

Output Protection

. Protected against short circuit conditions

Response Time

DIP switches B4, B5, and B6 select ON/OFF response time

Supply Voltage

US, EU models: 12 to 30 V dc, less than 100 mA, exclusive of load KR models: 12 to 24 V dc, less than 100 mA exclusive of load

Indicators

Power LED: Green (power ON)

Signal Strength LED: Red, flashes in proportion to signal strength. Steady on at 4x excess gain. Only indicates signal amplitude, not target distance.

Output LEDs: Yellow (output energized) / Red (configuration) See *Figure 1* on page 2

Adjustments

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{DIP}}\xspace\textsc{-switch-configurable}$ sensing distance, sensitivity, response time, and output configuration

Construction

Housing: ABS/polycarbonate Lightpipes: Acrylic Access Cap: Polyester

Operating Temperature

- 40° to + 65° C (- 40° to + 149° F)

Environmental Rating

IP67

Certifications

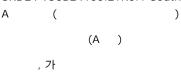
C4; ETSI/EN 300 440; FCC part 15; CMIIT Category G; ANATEL Category II; KC mark - MSIP/RRA; ARIB STD T-73; for others, contact Banner Engineering Country of Origin: USA

FCC ID: UE3Q120RAUS—This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

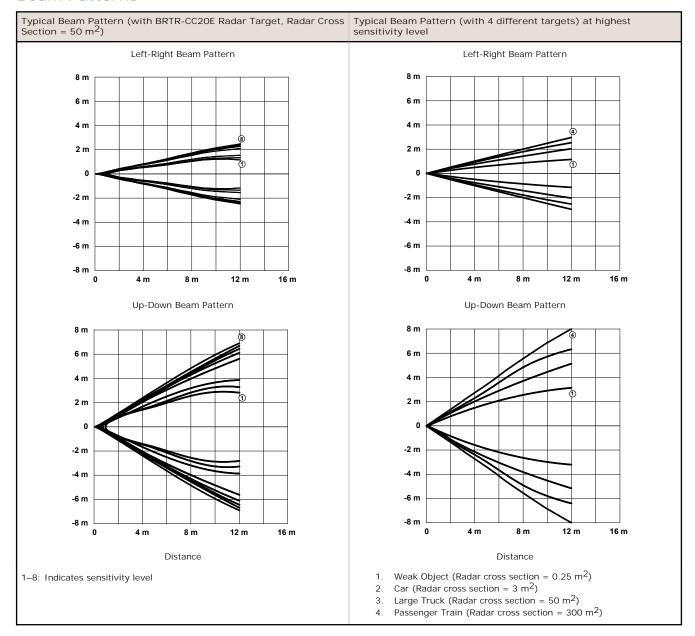


Este equipamento opera em caráter secundário, isto é, não tem direito à proteção contra interferência prejudicial, mesmo de estações do mesmo tipo e não pode causar interferência a sistemas operando em caráter primário.

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Beam Patterns

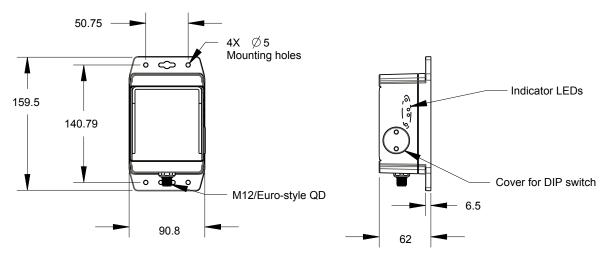




NOTE: The effective beam pattern depends on the sensitivity level and target properties.

Dimensions

All measurements are listed in millimeters, unless noted otherwise.



Windows

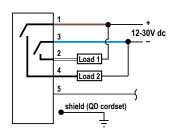
The R-GAGE sensor can be placed behind a glass or a plastic window, but the configuration must be tested and the distance from the sensor to the window must be determined and controlled prior to installation. There is typically a 20% signal reduction when the sensor is placed behind a window.

Polycarbonate at 4 mm thickness performs well in most situations, but the performance depends on filler materials. Thinner (1 to 3 mm) windows have high reflection. The amount of reflection depends on the material, thickness, and distance from the sensor to the window.

Locate the sensor in a position of minimum reflection from the window, which will repeat every 6.1 mm of distance between the sensor and the window. The positions of maximum reflection from the window repeat between the minimums, and decrease in effect until the window is approximately 150 mm (5.9 in) away. Consult the factory for pre-tested window materials which can be used at any distance without issue.

Additionally, the face of the window should be protected from flowing water and ice by use of a flow diverter or hood directly above the window. Falling rain or snow in the air in front of the window, light water mist, or small beads on the face of the window are typically not an issue. However, a thick, continuous surface of water or ice directly on the face of the window can be detected as a dielectric boundary.

Wiring



Wiring Key:

1 = Brown

2 = White

3 = Blue

4 = Black

5 = Gray (Do not connect)

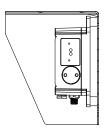


NOTE: Banner recommends that the shield wire (QD cordsets only) be connected to earth ground or dc common. Shielded cordsets are recommended for all QD models.

Accessories

SMBWSQ120

- Rear-Mount Protective Metal Enclosure
- Supports both horizontal and vertical sensor mounting
- Required if the R-GAGE is exposed to rain or snow
- Prevents buildup of water or ice from interfering with sensor performance



SMBQ240SS1

- Sensor mounting plate and pivoting bracket
- Provides ± 20° of tilt in one axis for enhanced sensor alignment
- 12 gauge stainless steel Sensor can mount on bracket horizontally or vertically



SMBQ240SS2

- Add-on accessory to be used in conjunction with SMBQ240SS1
- Provides ± 20° of tilt in second axis for maximum control of sensor alignment
- 12 gauge stainless steel



Quick Disconnect (QD) Cordsets

Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
MQDEC2-506	1.83 m (6 ft)		-	
MQDEC2-515	4.57 m (15 ft)			1 - 2
MQDEC2-530	9.14 m (30 ft)	Straight		
MQDEC2-550	15.2 m (50 ft)		M12 x 1 → g 14.5 →	
MQDEC2-506RA	1.83 m (6 ft)		, 32 Тур.	45
MQDEC2-515RA	4.57 m (15 ft)		11.26"] 30 Typ. [1.26"] 30 Typ. [1.18"]	1 = Brown 2 = White 3 = Blue
MQDEC2-530RA	9.14 m (30 ft)			
MQDEC2-550RA	15.2 m (50 ft)	Right-Angle		4 = Black 5 = Gray



NOTE: Pin 5 is not used.