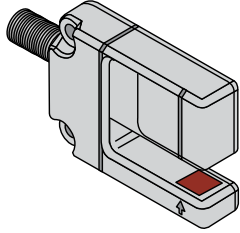# SL10 Series Slot Sensor

Datasheet

Self-Contained Opposed-Mode Sensor Pair

- An easy-to-use self-contained opposed-mode sensor pair in a rugged U-shaped housing
- Easy and economical to mount
- Molded-in beam guides simplify mounting and beam placement
- 10 mm slot width for a wide variety of sensing applications
- Applications include label detection, hole detection, gear tooth detection, edge guiding, parts detection and counting
- 2 mm effective beam
- 10 to 30V dc operation
- Bipolar PNP/NPN outputs
- Visible red beam
- Choose 1 millisecond or 300 microsecond response
- 4-turn potentiometer sensitivity adjustment
- Dark or light operate
- Choose integral, unterminated cable or QD models

⚠ **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

Models	Sensing Beam	Slot Width	Cable[1]	Supply Voltage	Output Type	Response	Repeatability
SL10VB6V	Visible red, 680 nm	10 mm (0.4 in)	2 m (6.5ft) 5-wire cable	10 V dc to 30 V dc	Bipolar NPN and PNP	1 ms	250 µs
SL10VB6VQ			5-Pin Euro-style QD				
SL10VB6VY			2 m (6.5ft) 5-wire cable			300 µs	75 µs
SL10VB6VYQ			5-Pin Euro-style QD				

Overview

The SL10 Series Slot Sensor (sometimes called a "Fork Sensor") comprises an opposed-mode emitter and its receiver inside a single convenient housing.

Opposed-mode sensing is very reliable, and the single self-contained housing provides easy installation, with no sensor alignment required. In addition, the molded-in arrow on the emitter portion of the housing and the slotted design on the receiver portion of the housing show at a glance the position of the beam, simplifying installation placement.
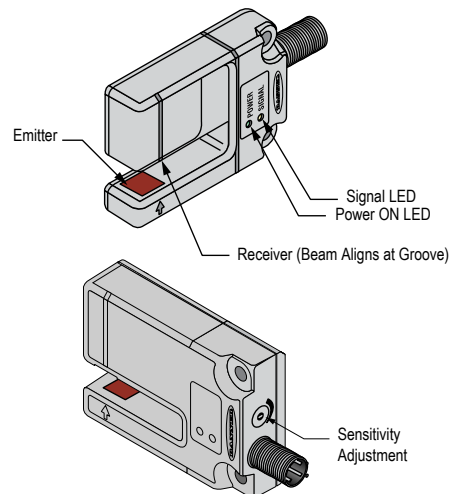

Figure 1. Features

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[1] To order the 9 m (30 ft) PVC cable model, add the suffix "W/30" to the cabled model number. For example, Models with a quick disconnect require a mating cordset.
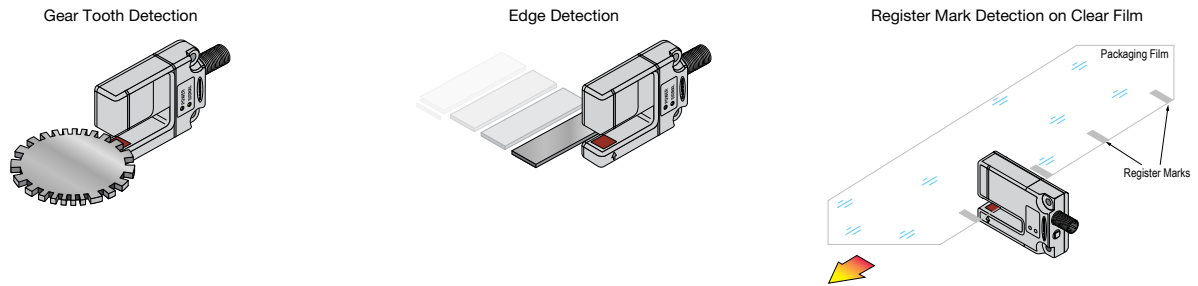
Gear Tooth Detection

Edge Detection

Register Mark Detection on Clear Film

Packaging Film

Register Marks

Figure 2. Typical Applications

LED Indicators

The Slot Sensor features two LED Indicators: Power (green) and Signal (amber). They indicate the following:
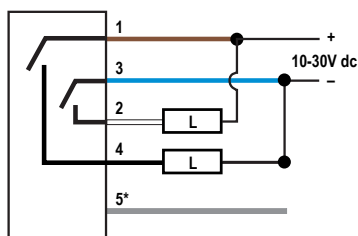   Green ON: Power ON
   Amber ON: Sensor sees light
   Amber flashing: Excess gain is marginal (1 to 1.5×) in light condition

Select Light Operate/Dark Operate

Connect the gray wire to +V (10 V dc to 30 V dc) for Dark Operate; and to dc common (or open) for Light Operate. See wiring diagrams.

Wiring Diagrams

1

3

2

4

5*

+

10-30V dc

–

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Wiring Key
   1. Brown
   2. White
   3. Blue
   4. Black
   5. Gray*

*For Dark operate, connect gray wire to + (brown). For Light operate, connect gray wire to - (blue).

Note: Quick disconnect (QD) wiring diagrams are functionally identical.

Adjust the Sensitivity

Adjust the sensitivity by turning the 4-turn clutched Sensitivity potentiometer with a small slotted screwdriver.

   1. Apply power to the sensor.
   2. Turn the potentiometer fully counter-clockwise, 4 full turns or more to set the sensor to the minimum sensitivity.
   3. Present the Light condition.
       If the amber Signal Condition indicator is ON, that is the Light condition sensitivity position. If not, proceed to the next step.
   4. Turn the potentiometer clockwise, just until the amber Signal Condition indicator turns ON and note the position of the potentiometer.
   5. Present the Dark condition.
   6. Turn the potentiometer clockwise, just until the amber Signal Condition indicator turns ON, and note the position of the potentiometer.
   7. For maximum reliability, the difference between these two positions should be at least one full turn. Set the sensitivity midway between the two positions for best sensing results.

If the object to be sensed is very thin and non-metallic, the sensor may emit too much light energy for the object to completely block the beam. To test this, place the object in the sensing position, and decrease the sensitivity until the amber LED goes OFF. Remove the object; verify that the indicator comes ON solidly. If this does not occur, investigate other sensing alternatives.

Specifications

Supply Voltage and Current
10 to 30V dc (10% max. ripple), 30 mA

Supply Protection Circuitry
Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages

Output Configuration
Bipolar: NPN and PNP

Output Rating
150 mA, each output

Output Protection Circuitry
Protected against output short-circuit and false pulse on power up

Output Response Time
1 millisecond or 300 microseconds, depending on model

Repeatability
250 microseconds or 75 microseconds, depending on model

Adjustments
4-turn clutched potentiometer sensitivity adjustment

Slot Opening
10 mm (0.4 in) wide x 45 mm (1.8 in) deep overall; beam set in 10 mm (0.4 in) from outer edge

Indicators
Green: Power on/off indicator
Amber: Signal condition indicator

Construction
Housing: ABS/polycarbonate blend
Optic windows: acrylic

Connections
2 m (6.5 ft) or 9 m (30 ft) 5-conductor PVC-jacketed attached cable or 5-pin Euro-style quick-disconnect (QD) connector

Environmental Rating
IEC IP67; NEMA 6

Operating Conditions
–40 °C to +70 °C (–40 °F to +158 °F)
90% at +50 °C maximum relative humidity (non-condensing)

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.
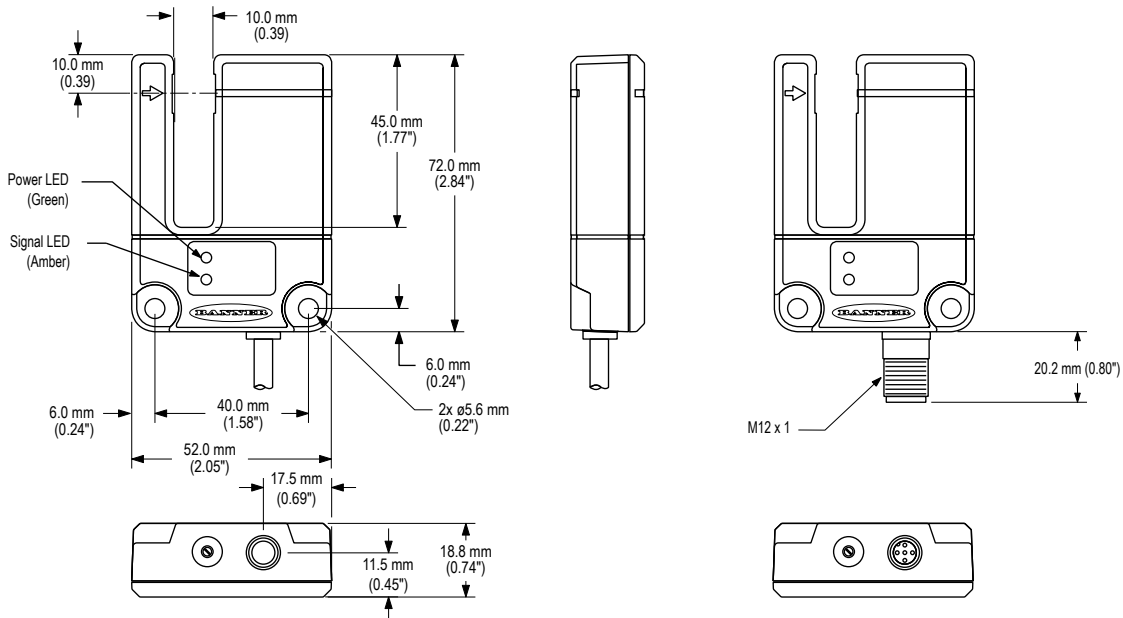Supply wiring leads < 24 AWG shall not be spliced.
For additional product support, go to *www.bannerengineering.com*.

Supply Wiring (AWG)	Required Overcurrent Protection (Amps)
20	5.0
22	3.0
24	2.0
26	1.0
28	0.8
30	0.5

Certifications

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Dimensions

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