M12 Class 1 Laser Emitter

Features

IEC Class 1 Laser for Use with Banner Modulated Receivers



- A low-power device emitting a visible red beam, 650 nm wavelength
- Beam is bore-sighted to within 2 milliradians and 0.25 mm of the housing centerline
- Collimated, apertured beam is 2 mm diameter with divergence of less than 1 milliradian
- Compatible with a variety of Banner modulated photoelectric receivers
- Useful for medium-range sensing, or for sensing very small objects or profiles; excellent mechanical repeatability in position-sensing applications
- Smooth-barrel aluminum housing is suitable for a precision mount
- Available with unterminated, 2 m (6.5 ft) cable or 150 mm (6 in) quick-disconnect cable
- Modulated beam (33 kHz, 25% duty cycle)
- 57 mm (2.25 in) long overall
- 10 V DC to 30 V DC operation

WARNING:

- **Do not use this device for personnel protection**
- Using this device for personnel protection could result in serious injury or death.
- This device does not include the self-checking redundant circuitry necessary to allow its use in personnel safety applications. A device failure or malfunction can cause either an energized (on) or de-energized (off) output condition.

CAUTION:

- **Never stare directly into the sensor lens.**
- Laser light can damage your eyes.
- Avoid placing any mirror-like object in the beam. Never use a mirror as a retroreflective target.

CAUTION:

- **Return defective units to the manufacturer.**
- Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.
- Do not attempt to disassemble this sensor for repair. A defective unit must be returned to the manufacturer.

Models

Model	Range	Connector	Supply Voltage
M126E1LD	Range varies, depending on which receiver is used (see "M12 Excess Gain" on page 4)	2 m (6.5 ft) unterminated	10 V DC to 30 V DC
M126E1LDQ		150 mm (6 in) PVC cable with 3-pin M8 quick disconnect	

Effective Beam at Receiver at 25° C

Opposed Distance	Beam Width
1.5 m (5 ft)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)
3 m (10 ft)	5 mm (0.2 in)
6 m (20 ft)	8 mm (0.3 in)
15 m (50 ft)	17 mm (0.7 in)
30 m (100 ft)	32 mm (1.3 in)

To order the 9 m (30 ft) PVC cable model, replace the suffix "Q" with "W/30" in the model number. For example, M126E1LDQ W/30. Models with a quick disconnect require a mating cordset.

Installation

Mount the M12 Laser Sensor

Mounting suggestions:

- To take advantage of the bore-sight beam placement offered by the M12 laser emitter, use a two-part clamp mount or a mounting block with a precision-drilled hole. Allow minimum clearance for the 12.7 mm (0.50 in) diameter housing, maximum diameter 12.83 mm (0.505 in).

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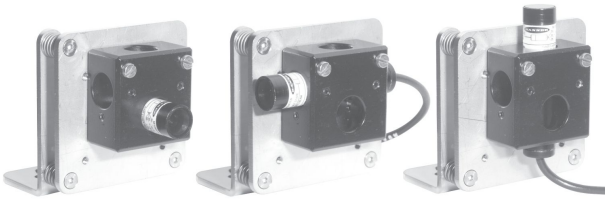
- Clamp on both sides of the label. Do not clamp only on the labeled area. Use only plastic-tipped screws or set screws – not metal – to avoid compression of the housing.

Mounting bracket assembly model SMB46X3 is recommended for use with the M12. The assembly includes:

- A black-anodized aluminum block with holes drilled for mounting in any of 3 directions with plastic set screws
- An adjustable stainless-steel bracket with 3 spring-loaded screws (two of the screws are used for precise alignment)

The mounting block, model SMB127, can be ordered separately.

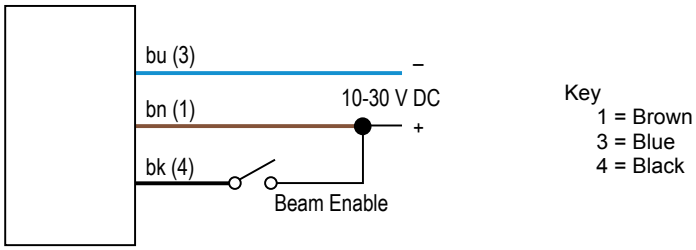
Three Possible M12 Orientations



1. Insert the laser emitter into the SMB127 mounting block, through any of the three holes.
2. Make sure that the label area of the emitter is not aligned with a set screw.
3. Tighten the set screws, using the supplied 3/64-in Allen wrench, so that the emitter is held snugly in place.
4. Mount the block to the adjustable baseplate (or to your own bracket).
5. Mount the bracket base using your own M5 or #10 screws or bolts.
6. Check for alignment (see "Accessories" on page 5).
7. Tighten or loosen one or two of the precision alignment screws, using the supplied 2 mm Allen wrench, until the laser is accurately aligned.

M12 Laser Sensor Wiring

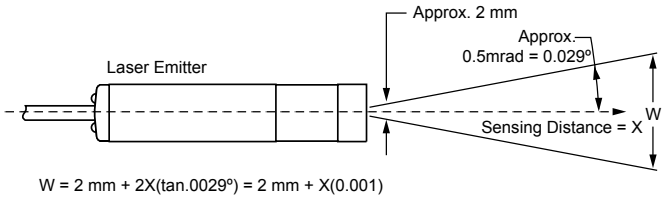
Quick disconnect wiring diagrams are functionally identical.



M12 Laser Emitter Alignment

M12 laser emitters have a beam divergence of only 0.03° (0.5 milliradians) at 25 °C (77 °F) ambient temperature. This translates, for example, to a beam diameter of only 8 mm (0.3 in) at a distance of 6.1 m (20 ft). Consequently, there is very little forgiveness for angular misalignment.

M12 laser emitter beam divergence at 25 °C (beam size vs. distance)



M12 laser emitter beam divergence at 25 °C (beam size vs. distance)

Opposed Distance (X)	Beam Width (W)
1.5 m (5 ft)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)
3 m (10 ft)	5 mm (0.2 in)
6 m (20 ft)	8 mm (0.3 in)

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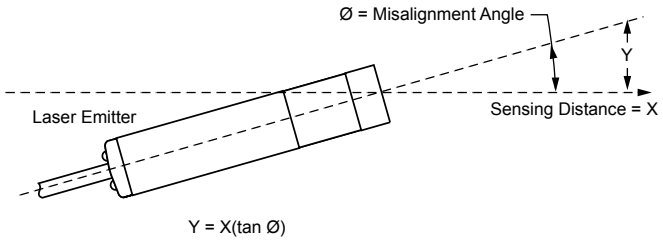
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Opposed Distance (X)	Beam Width (W)
15 m (50 ft)	17 mm (0.7 in)
30 m (100 ft)	32 mm (1.3 in)

The beam size listed is also the effective beam size at the receiver. The effective beam is equal to the minimum opaque object profile required to block the light beam. The beam size at the emitter is 2 mm (0.08 in) diameter.

The effect of angular misalignment is dramatic. Laser emitters require their beam center to directly strike the receiver lens. "Figure: Beam displacement per degree of misalignment" on page 3 shows how far the laser beam will miss the center of the receiver lens for each degree of angular misalignment (in any plane). Note that even at only a 5 ft range, one degree of misalignment causes the laser beam to miss the lens of most receivers.

Beam displacement per degree of misalignment



Beam displacement per degree of misalignment

Opposed Distance (X)	Beam Displacement (Y) for 1° of Misalignment
1.5 m (5 ft)	25 mm (1 in)
3 m (10 ft)	50 mm (2 in)
6 m (20 ft)	100 mm (4 in)
15 m (50 ft)	250 mm (10 in)
30 m (100 ft)	500 mm (20 in)

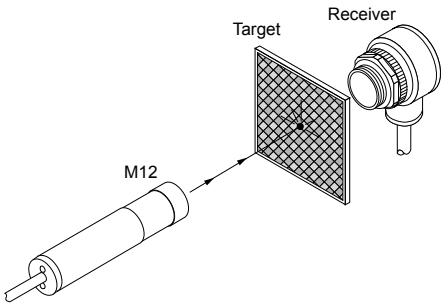
Alignment Tip: The visible red beam of the laser emitter is easily seen in subdued lighting.

Alignment:

1. At opposed distances of up to 3 m (10 ft), attach a sheet of white paper directly in front of the receiver lens.
2. Mark the location of the lens center on the paper. Use this mark as an aiming target.
3. Sight along the beam from directly behind the laser emitter.
4. Adjust the emitter mounting until the red image (the dot of red light) is centered exactly on the mark.
5. Remove the paper and check the response of the receiver.

For longer distances (up to 7.6 m or 25 ft), replace the white paper with a 102 mm × 102 mm (4 in × 4 in) square of high-grade retroreflective tape (Banner model BRT-THG-4X4-5 or equivalent). For greater distances, use a larger sheet of retroreflective material. Never use a mirror as an alignment target.

At long distances, use retroreflective tape to locate the beam at the receiver location.



Specifications

Supply Voltage and Current

10 V DC to 30 V DC (10% max. ripple) at less than 30 mA

Supply Protection Circuitry

Protected against reverse polarity, transient voltages, and electrostatic discharge

Delay at Power-Up

Less than 30 milliseconds

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Sensing Beam

Visible red Class 1 laser (temperature coefficient 0.2 nm/°C)
Rep Rate: 30 µs
See "Class 1 Laser Description and Safety Information" on page 5

Beam Diameter at Aperture

Approximately 2 mm (0.08 in) diameter

Beam Placement

Within 0.25 mm (0.01 in) and ±2 milliradians of the mechanical centerline axis of the housing

Beam Divergence

± 0.5 milliradians typical at 25° C; ±1.0 milliradians at operating temperature extremes

Laser Control

Beam enable: Apply + 10 V DC to 30 V DC to black wire
Beam inhibit: Apply 0 V or by opening the circuit
Enable delay: Less than 30 milliseconds
Inhibit delay: Less than 1 milliseconds

Indicators

Indicators are visible through the rear cover
Green indicates the power is applied
Amber indicates the laser is enabled

Connections

2 m (6.5 ft) unterminated 3-wire PVC-jacketed high-flex cable, 9 m (30 ft) unterminated 3-wire PVC-jacketed high-flex cable, or 150 mm (6 in) PVC-jacketed cable with a 3-pin M8 male quick-disconnect connector

Construction

12.7 mm (0.50 in) diameter smooth aluminum barrel; black hard-coat anodized finish
MIL-A-8625 Type III, Class II

Operating Temperature

0 °C to +40 °C (+32 °F to +104 °F)
90% at +40 °C maximum relative humidity (non-condensing)

Environmental Rating

IP67

Effective Beam at Receiver at 25° C

Opposed Distance	Beam Width
1.5 m (5 ft)	5 mm (0.20 in)
3 m (10 ft)	6.5 mm (0.26 ft)
6 m (20 ft)	9.5 mm (0.37 ft)
15 m (50 ft)	19 mm (0.75 ft)
30 m (100 ft)	34 mm (1.34 in)

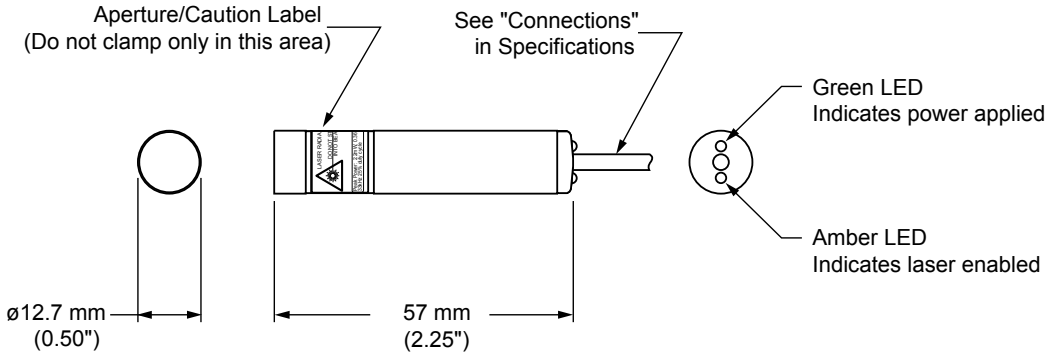
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Dimensions

All measurements are listed in millimeters [inches], unless noted otherwise. The measurements provided are subject to change.



Excess Gain

The excess gain of the M12 emitter is dependent on the particular receiver used. The following is a comparison of the excess gain for various recommended receivers at 15 m (50 ft).

Receiver	Excess Gain at 15 m (50 ft)
MULTI-BEAM	
SBRX1	1,900
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SBRXD1	1,900
SBRD1	1,900
MAXI-BEAM	
RSBR	1,400
RSBRSR	150
VALUE-BEAM	
SMW95R	3,400
SMI91RQD	1,800
EZ-BEAM	
T18SN6R	750
T30SN6R	750
S12SN6R	750

Receiver	Excess Gain at 15 m (50 ft)
MINI-BEAM	
SM31R	250
SM31RL	1,700
SM31RMHS	180
SM31RLMHS	1,100
ECONO-BEAM	
SE61R	60
SE61RMHS	50
Others	
SM51RB	120
Q23SN6R	40
Q10AN6R	25
Q45BB6R	900

For information on the compatibility of the M12 emitter with other Banner photoelectric receivers, contact Banner Engineering.

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Class 1 Laser Description and Safety Information



Laser light. Do not stare into the beam.

Complies with 21 CFR 1040.10 and 1040.11 except for deviations pursuant to Laser Notice No. 56, dated May 8, 2019.

CLASS 1 LASER PRODUCT

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CAUTION:
- **Ne regardez jamais directement la lentille du capteur.**
- La lumière laser peut endommager la vision.
- Évitez de placer un objet réfléchissant (de type miroir) dans la trajectoire du faisceau. N'utilisez jamais de miroir comme cible rétro-réfléchissante.

CAUTION:
- **Tout dispositif défectueux doit être renvoyé au fabricant.**
- L'utilisation de commandes, de réglages ou de procédures autres que celles décrites dans le présent document peut entraîner une exposition dangereuse aux radiations.
- N'essayez pas de démonter ce capteur pour le réparer. Tout dispositif défectueux doit être renvoyé au fabricant.

Class 1 lasers are lasers that are safe under reasonably foreseeable conditions of operation, including the use of optical instruments for intrabeam viewing.

Complies with IEC 60825-1:2014 and EN 60825-1:2014+A11:2021.

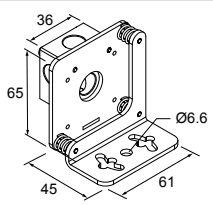
For safe laser use:
- Do not stare at the laser.
- Do not point the laser at a person's eye.
- Mount open laser beam paths either above or below eye level, where practical.
- Terminate the beam emitted by the laser product at the end of its useful path.

Class 1 Laser Characteristics
Output power: <0.36 mW
Laser wavelength: 650 nm
Pulse duration: 7 µs

Accessories

Mounting Brackets

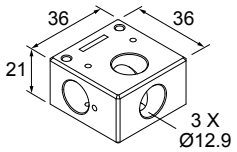
SMB46X3
- Assembly with mounting block and adjustable bracket
- Includes:
  - 2 mm Shortarm hex key
  - 3/64-in Shortarm hex key
  - 4 Set screws
- CAD Files: DXF, PDF, IGS, STP



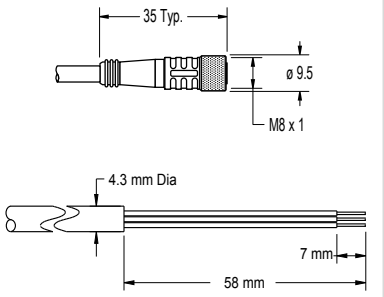
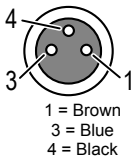
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SMB127

- Mounting block only
- Includes:
  - 3/64-in Shortarm hex key
  - 4 Set screws
- CAD Files: DXF, PDF, IGS, STP



Quick-Disconnect Cables

3-pin Single-Ended M8 Female Cordsets			
Model	**Length**	**Dimensions**	**Pinout (Female)**
PKG3M-2	2 m (6.56 ft)		
PKG3M-4	4 m (13.12 ft)		
PKG3M-5	5 m (16.4 ft)		
PKG3M-7	7 m (22.96 ft)		
PKG3M-9	9 m (29.52 ft)		
PKG3M-10	10 m (32.81 ft)		

1 = Brown
3 = Blue
4 = Black

Retroreflective Tape

Model	Reflectivity Factor	Maximum Temperature	Size
BRT-THG-4X4-5	0.7	+60 °C (+140 °F)	100 × 100 mm (package of 5)

Model	Reflectivity Factor	Maximum Temperature	Size
BRT-THG-8.5X11-2	0.7	+60 °C (+140 °F)	216 × 280 mm (package of 2)

Model	Reflectivity Factor	Maximum Temperature	Size
BRT-THG-18X36	0.7	+60 °C (+140 °F)	457 × 914 mm (single sheet)

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