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DATA SHEET

VL18L-4P344

V18
Photoelectric sensors

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PHOTOELECTRIC SENSORS

VL18L-4P344

ORDERING INFORMATION

Type	part no.
VL18L-4P344	6027434

Further device versions and accessories at www.sick.com/V18

DETAILED TECHNICAL DATA

FEATURES

Functional principle	Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor
Functional principle detail	With minimum distance to reflector (dual lens system)
Dimensions (W x H x D)	18 mm x 18 mm x 107.7 mm
Housing design (light emission)	Cylindrical
Housing length	107.7 mm
Thread diameter (housing)	M18 x 1
Optical axis	Radial
Sensing range max.	0.1 m ... 35 m [1]
Sensing range	0.1 m ... 30 m [1]
Focus	0.04°
Type of light	Visible red light
Light source	Laser [2]
Light spot size (distance)	Ø 9 mm (35 m)
Angle of dispersion	0.04°
Wave length	650 nm
Laser class	1 (IEC 60825-1) [3]

[1] Reflector P250F.

[2] Average service life: 100,000 h at T_U = +25 °C.

[3] Do not intentionally look into the laser beam. Never point the laser beam at people's eyes.

[4] Electronically via control input C (0 V).

[5] Manual, via teach-in button.

Laser power output	0.4 mW
Adjustment	Cable, Single teach-in button (Sensitivity, Sensitivity) [4] [5]
Special applications	Detecting small objects

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MECHANICS/ELECTRONICS

Supply voltage U_B	10 V DC ... 30 V DC [1]
Ripple	± 10 % [2]
Current consumption	20 mA [3]
Switching output	PNP
Switching mode	Light/dark switching
Switching mode selector	Selectable via control input C
Output current $I_{max.}$	≤ 100 mA
Response time	≤ 0.625 ms [4]
Switching frequency	800 Hz [5]
Connection type	Male connector M12, 4-pin
Circuit protection	A [6] B [7] C [8] D [9]
Protection class	III
Weight	60 g
Polarizing filter	✓
Housing material	Metal, Nickel-plated brass/PC
Optics material	Plastic, PC with protective glass pane
Enclosure rating	IP67
Ambient operating temperature	–15 °C ... +55 °C
Ambient temperature, storage	–25 °C ... +70 °C
UL File No.	NRKH.E181493, CDRH-conform (0312012-00)

[1] Limit values.

[2] May not fall below or exceed U_V tolerances.

[3] Without load.

[4] Signal transit time with resistive load.

[5] With light/dark ratio 1:1.

[6] A = V_S connections reverse-polarity protected.

[7] B = inputs and output reverse-polarity protected.

[8] C = interference suppression.

[9] D = outputs overcurrent and short-circuit protected.

SAFETY-RELATED PARAMETERS

$MTTF_D$	480 years
DC_{avg}	0 %

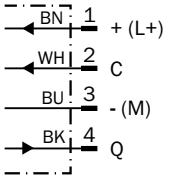
CERTIFICATES

EU declaration of conformity	✓
China RoHS	✓
China Compulsory Product Certification (CCC) exempt	✓
cULus certificate	✓

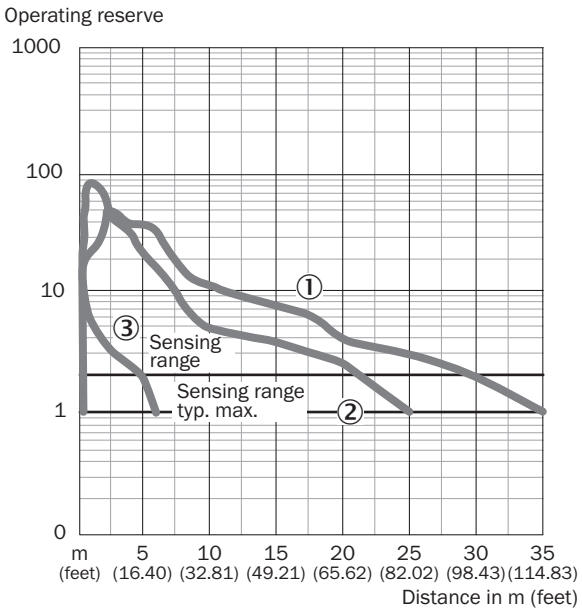
CONNECTION TYPE



CONNECTION DIAGRAM CD-099

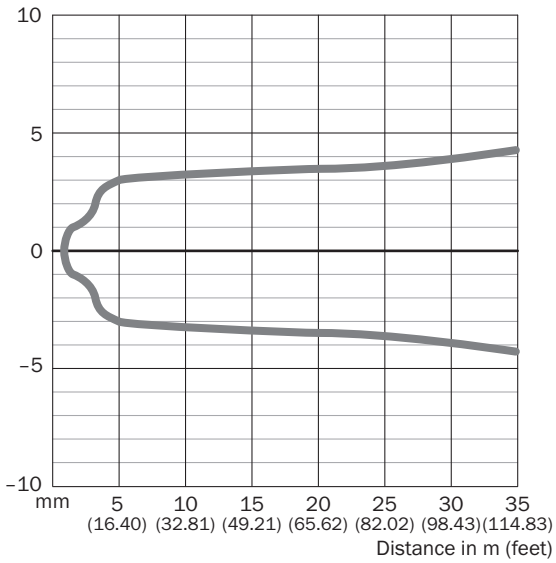


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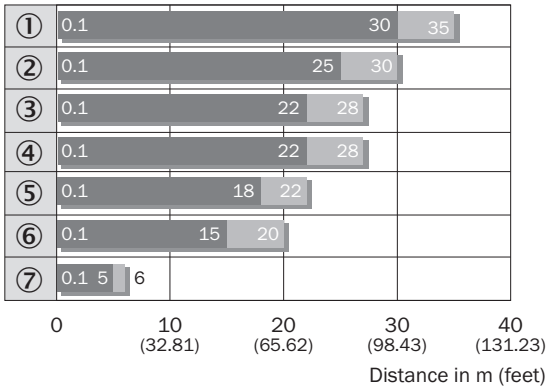


① Reflector P250F
② Reflector PL80A, P250
③ Reflective tape Diamond Grade

LIGHT SPOT SIZE VL18L

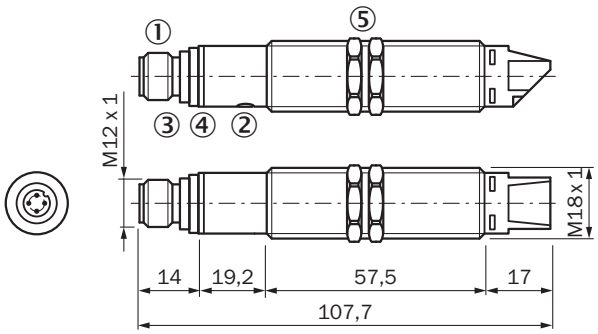


SENSING RANGE DIAGRAM VL18L



① Reflector P250F
② PL10F reflector
③ Reflector PL80A
④ Reflector P250
⑤ Reflector C110A
⑥ Reflector PL20F
⑦ Reflective tape Diamond Grade

DIMENSIONAL DRAWING RADIAL



Dimensions in mm (inch)
① M12 male device connector, 4-pin
② Sensitivity setting: single teach-in button
③ green LED indicator: V_S supply voltage feed
④ Yellow LED indicator:
④ - lights continuously:
④ reception signal> reserve factor 2
④ - blinks: Reception signal< reserve factor 2 but > switching threshold 1
⑤ fastening nuts (2 x); width across 24, metal
⑤ (included with delivery)

Further information as well as suitable accessories, example applications and downloads such as CAD dimensional models, operating instructions and software can be found at www.sick.com/6027434

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