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Q60AF Sensors

Datasheet

Long-Range Self-Contained Adjustable-Field Sensors



- Long-range adjustable-field background suppression sensor detects objects within a defined sensing field, while ignoring objects located beyond the sensing field cutoff
- Two-turn, logarithmic adjustment of sensing field cutoff point from 0.2 m to 2 m (7.9 in to 6.6 ft); allows easy setting of cutoff point at long range
- Rotating pointer indicates relative cutoff point setting
- Easy push-button or remote programming of light/dark operate and output timing; continuous status indicators verify all settings at a glance
- Output ON and/or OFF delays adjustable from 8 milliseconds to 16 seconds
- Powerful infrared sensing beam
- Tough ABS/polycarbonate blend housing is rated IEC IP67; NEMA 6

10 to 30 V dc Models (Q60BB6AF):

- Powered by 10 to 30 V dc; bipolar (one NPN and one PNP) outputs
- Available with integral cable or rotating Euro-style quick-disconnect fitting

Universal Voltage Models (Q60VR3AF):

- 12 to 250 V dc or 24 to 250 V ac, 50/60 Hz
- Available with integral cable or rotating Micro-style quick-disconnect fitting

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	Minimum Range	**Cutoff** Point	Cable[1]	Supply Voltage	Output Type
Q60BB6AF2000	50 mm to 125 mm (2 in to 5 in) depending on cutoff point setting	Adjustable: 200 mm to 2000 mm (8 in to 80 in)	5-wire 2 m (6.5 ft)	10 V dc to 30 V dc	Bipolar NPN/PNP
Q60BB6AF2000Q			5-pin Euro-style QD		
Q60VR3AF2000			5-wire 2 m (6.5 ft)	Universal Voltage 12 V dc to 250 V dc or 24 V ac to 250 V ac	E/M Relay (SPDT), normally closed and normally open contacts
Q60VR3AF2000Q1			4-pin Micro-style QD		E/M Relay (SPST), normally open contact

Overview

The Q60AF sensor is a full-featured adjustable-field sensor. These adjustable-field sensors are able to detect objects of relatively low reflectivity, while ignoring other objects in the background (beyond the cutoff point). The cutoff distance is mechanically adjustable, using the 2-turn adjustment screw on the top of the sensor. A rotating pointer indicates the relative cutoff position. The indicator moves clockwise to show increasing distance.

Two push buttons (ON Delay and OFF Delay) are used to set the output delay options, to toggle between light and dark operate modes and to lock out the push buttons for security purposes. These functions also may be accomplished using the remote wire (available on some models).

Seven LED indicators show, during RUN mode, the sensor configuration and operating status. During Delay Configuration, 5 of the LEDs combine to form a single light bar that indicates relative ON or OFF delay time.

Note: When an object approaches from the side, the most reliable sensing usually occurs when the line of approach is parallel to the sensing axis.

[1] To order the 9 m (30 ft) PVC cable model, add the suffix "W/30" to the cabled model number. For example, Q60BB6AF2000 W/30. Models with a quick disconnect require a mating cordset.

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Features and Indicators

Note: Outputs are active during on/off timing selection mode.

ON Delay
- Steady Green: Run mode, ON delay is active
- Flashing Green: ON Delay Selection mode is active

OFF Delay
- Steady Green: Run mode, OFF delay is active
- Flashing Green: OFF Delay Selection mode is active

5-Segment Light Bar[2]
- Indicates relative delay time during ON or OFF Delay Selection modes

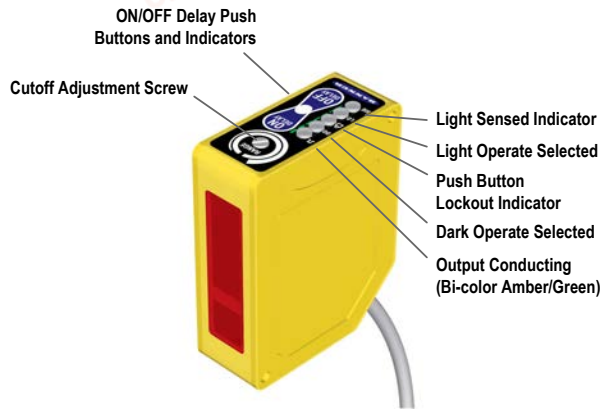
Output Indicator
- Steady Amber: Outputs are conducting
- Steady Green: During ON/OFF Delay Selection modes

Dark Operate Indicator
- Steady Green: Dark Operate is selected

Lockout Indicator
- Steady Green: Buttons are locked out

Light Operate Indicator
- Steady Green: Light Operate is selected

Signal Indicator
- Steady Green: Sensor is receiving signal
- Flashing Green: Marginal signal (1.0 to 2.25 excess gain)



The indicators, above right, also function as a 5-segment light gar during delay selection modes

Adjustable-Field Sensing—Theory of **Operation**

The Q60AF compares the reflections of its emitted light beam (E) from an object back to the sensor's two differently-aimed detectors R1 and R2 (see *Figure 1* on page 2). If the near detector (R1) light signal is stronger than the far detector (R2) light signal (see object A, closer than the cutoff distance), the sensor responds to the object. If the far detector (R2) light signal is stronger than the near detector (R1) light signal (see object B, object beyond the cutoff distance), the sensor ignores the object.

The cutoff distance for these sensors is adjustable. Objects lying beyond the cutoff distance are ignored, even if they are highly reflective. However, it is possible to falsely detect a background object, under certain conditions (see *Background Reflectivity and Placement* on page 4).

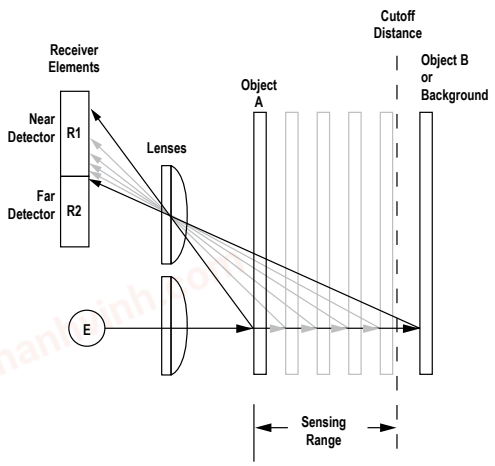


Figure 1. Adjustable field sensing concept

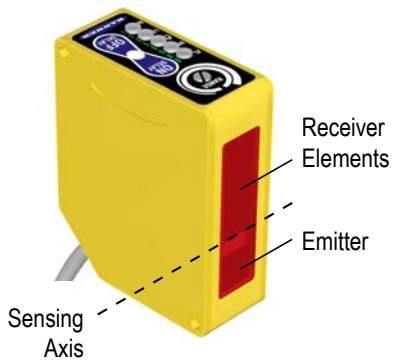


Figure 2. Sensing Axis

In the drawings and information provided in this document, the letters E, R1, and R2 identify how the sensor's three optical elements (Emitter "E", Near Detector "R1", and Far Detector "R2") line up across the face of the sensor. The location of these elements defines the sensing axis (see *Figure 2* on page 2). The sensing axis becomes important in certain situations, such as those illustrated in *Figure 7* on page 4 and *Figure 8* on page 4.

[2] Output, Dark Operate, Lockout, Light Operate and Signal indicators function as 5-Segment Light Bar during ON or OFF Delay Selection modes

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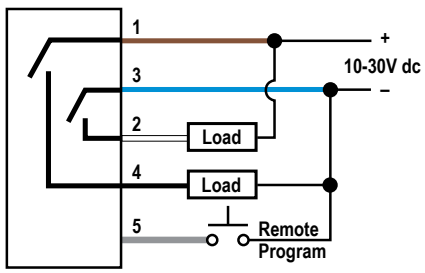
Installation

Wiring Diagrams

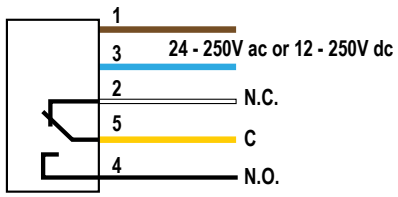
Q60BB6xx(Q)

Cabled and QD Models, 10 to 30 V dc



Q60VR3xx

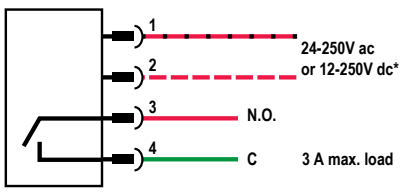
Cabled Model, 24 to 250 V ac (50/60Hz) or 12 to 250 V dc



Key
1 = Brown
2 = White
3 = Blue
4 = Black
5 = Gray

Q60VR3xxQ1

QD Model, 24 to 250 V ac (50/60Hz) or 12 to 250 V dc



*NOTE: Connection of dc power is without regard to polarity.

Key
1 = Red/Black
2 = Red/White
3 = Red
4 = Green

Set the **Cutoff** Distance

The cutoff distance for Q60AF sensors can be adjusted between 200 mm to 2000 millimeters (8 in to 80 in).

To maximize contrast, position the lightest possible background to be used, at the closest position it will come to the sensor during use. Using a small screwdriver in the adjustment screw, adjust the cutoff distance until the threshold is reached and the green Light Sensed indicator changes state. If the indicator never turns ON, the background is beyond the maximum sensing cutoff and will be ignored. Note the position of the rotating cutoff position indicator at this position. Then repeat the procedure, using the darkest target, placed in its most distant position for sensing. Adjust the cutoff so that the indicator is midway between the two positions.

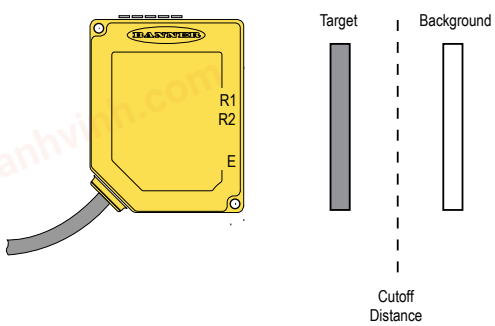


Figure 3. Set the cutoff distance approximately midway between the farthest target and the closest background

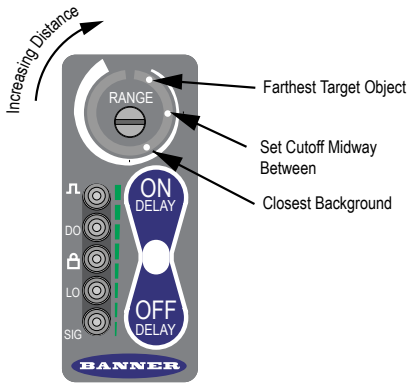


Figure 4. Setting the cutoff distance

Note: Setting the cutoff distance adjustment screw to its maximum clockwise position places the receiver lens directly in front of the receiver elements and results in the Q60 performing as a long-range diffuse sensor.

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Sensing Reliability

For highest sensitivity, the sensor-to-object distance should be such that the object will be sensed at or near the point of maximum excess gain. The excess gain curves show excess gain versus sensing distance for 200 mm and 2 m cutoffs. Maximum excess gain for a 200 mm cutoff occurs at a lens-to-object distance of about 150 mm, and for a 2 m cutoff, at about 500 mm. The background must be placed beyond the cutoff distance. Following these two guidelines makes it possible to detect objects of low reflectivity, even against close-in reflective backgrounds.

Background **Reflectivity** and Placement

Avoid mirror-like backgrounds that produce specular reflections. A false sensor response occurs if a background surface reflects the sensor's light more to the near detector (R1) than to the far detector (R2). The result is a false ON condition (*Figure 5* on page 4). Correct this problem by using a diffusely reflective (matte) background, or angling either the sensor or the background (in any plane) so the background does not reflect light back to the sensor (*Figure 6* on page 4). Position the background as far beyond the cutoff distance as possible.

An object beyond the cutoff distance, either stationary (and when positioned as shown in *Figure 7* on page 4), or moving past the face of the sensor in a direction perpendicular to the sensing axis, may cause unwanted triggering of the sensor if more light is reflected to the near detector than to the far detector. Correct the problem by rotating the sensor 90° (*Figure 8* on page 4). The object then reflects the R1 and R2 fields equally, resulting in no false triggering. A better solution, if possible, may be to reposition the object or the sensor.

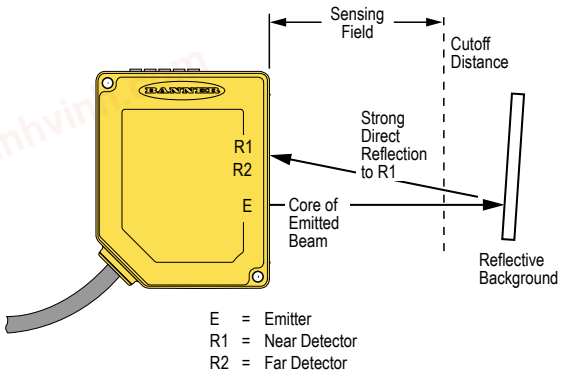


Figure 5. Reflective Background - Problem

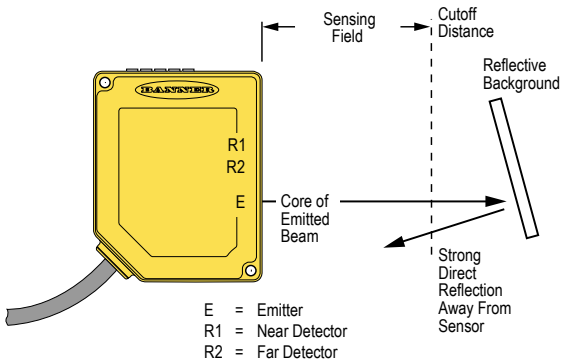
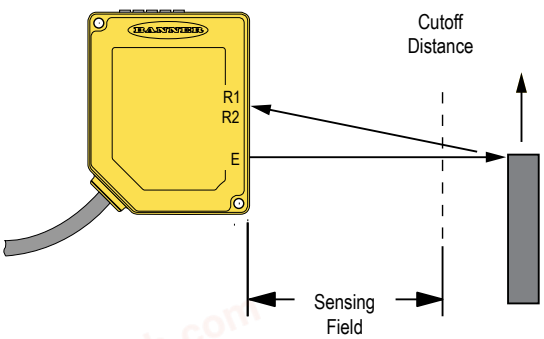
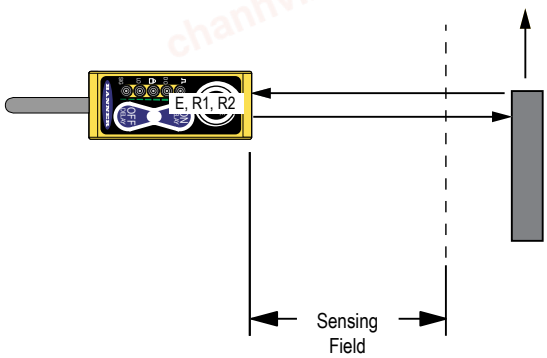


Figure 6. Reflective Background - Solution



A reflective background object in this position or moving across the sensor face in this axis and direction may cause a false sensor response.

Figure 7. Object Beyond Cutoff - Problem



A reflective background object in this position or moving across the sensor face in this axis is ignored.

Figure 8. Object Beyond Cutoff - Solution

Color **Sensitivity**

The effects of object reflectivity on cutoff distance, though small, may be important for some applications. It is expected that at any given cutoff setting, the actual cutoff distance for lower reflectance targets is slightly shorter than for higher reflectance targets. This behavior is known as color sensitivity.

These excess gain curves were generated using a white test card of 90% reflectance. Objects with reflectivity of less than 90% reflect less light back to the sensor, and thus require proportionately more excess gain in order to be sensed with the same reliability as more reflective objects. When sensing an object of very low reflectivity, it may be especially important to sense it at or near the distance of maximum excess gain.

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The percentage of deviation indicates a change in the cutoff point for either 18% gray or 6% black targets, relative to the cutoff point set for a 90% reflective white test card.

For example, the cutoff point decreases 10% for a 6% reflectance black target when the cutoff point is adjusted for 2000 mm (78.7in) using a 90% reflectance white test card. In other words, the cutoff point for the black target is 1800 mm (70.9 in) for this setting.

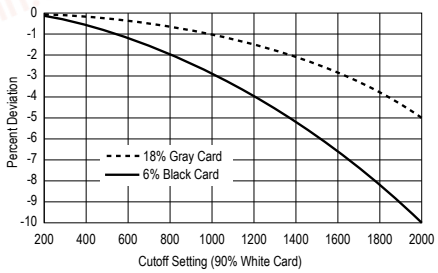

Figure 9. Cutoff Point Deviation

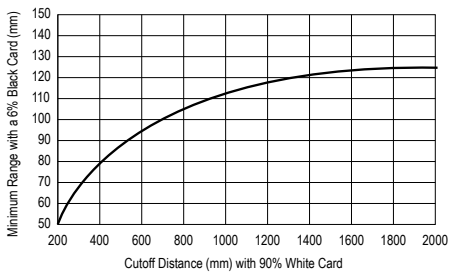

Figure 10. Q60 Minium Range Versus Cutoff Setting

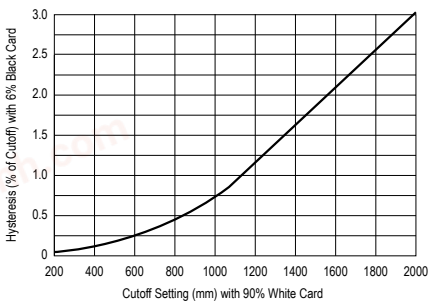

Figure 11. Hysteresis

Configuring a Sensor

Set the Output Delay

The output of the Q60AF sensor may be delayed between 0.008 and 16 seconds, in any of 72 increments. Delay is indicated on the 5-segment light bar using single LED segments or combinations of them, in varying stages of intensity.

To set a delay, single-click the appropriate button or pulse the remote wire to enable the process (as described in the following procedures). Then use the + or – button or the appropriate remote wire pulse procedure to increase or decrease the delay (single-click adjusts the delay by one step at a time, and holding the button in provides a rapid increase/decrease).

Note: Remote wire available on models Q60BB6AF(Q1) only.

Major increments, displayed by a single full-intensity LED, are shown:

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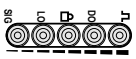
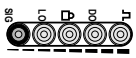
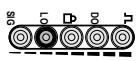
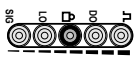
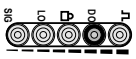
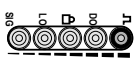
0	No Delay	
8	0.062 second	
24	0.250 second	
40	1.00 second	
56	4.0 seconds	
72	16 seconds	

Increase or Decrease the ON Delay

T = 40 – 800 ms
Press and Hold > 800 ms unless otherwise noted

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Increase the ON Delay—4-second **time-out**

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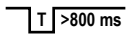
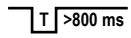
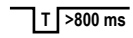
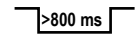
Remote Input				

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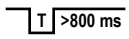
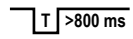
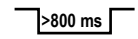
Remote Input				

Increase or Decrease the OFF Delay

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Press and Hold > 800 ms unless otherwise noted

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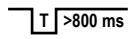
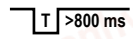
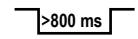
Remote Input				

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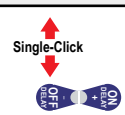
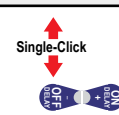
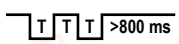
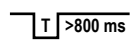
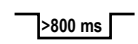
Push Button		N/A		
Remote Input				

Select Light Operate or Dark Operate

Select Light Operate or Dark Operate mode using the two push buttons or a 4-second pulse of the remote line to toggle between the selections.

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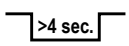
Remote Input	

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Lock the Push **Buttons**

For security, the push buttons can be locked out using either the remote line or the push buttons themselves.

	Push **Button** Lockout Toggle
Push Button	Concurrent Quad-Click
Remote Input	>800 ms

Specifications

Supply Voltage and Current
- Q60BB6AF models: 10 to 30 V dc (10% maximum ripple) at less than 50 mA exclusive of load
- Q60VR3AF Universal models: 12 to 250 V dc or 24 to 250 V ac, 50/60 Hz

Supply **Protection** Circuitry
- Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages
- The dc wiring for model Q60VR3 is without regard to polarity

Output **Configuration**
- Q60BB6AF models: Bipolar; one NPN (current sinking) and one PNP (current sourcing) open-collector transistor
- Q60VR3AF cabled model: E/M Relay (SPDT), normally closed and normally open contacts
- Q60VR3AFQ1 (QD) model: E/M Relay (SPST), normally open contact

Output **Rating**—Q60BB6AF models
- 150 mA maximum each output @ 25 °C
- Off-state leakage current: < 5 µA @ 30 V dc
- Output saturation NPN: < 200 mV @ 10 mA and < 1 V @150 mA
- Output saturation PNP: < 1 V at 10 mA; < 1.5 V at 150 mA

Output **Rating**—Q60VR3AF Universal models
- Minimum voltage and current: 5 V dc, 10 mA
- Mechanical life of relay: 50,000,000 operations
- Electrical life of relay at full resistive load: 100,000 operations
- Maximum switching power (resistive load):
  - Cabled models: 1250 VA, 150 W
  - QD models: 750 VA, 90 W
- Maximum switching voltage (resistive load):
  - Cabled models: 250 V ac, 125 V dc
  - QD models: 250 V ac, 125 V dc
- Maximum switching current (resistive load):
  - Cabled models: 5 A @ 250 V ac, 5 A @ 30 V dc derated to 200 mA @ 125 V dc
  - QD models: 3 A @ 250 V ac, 3 A @ 30 V dc derated to 200 mA @ 125 V dc

Output **Protection** Circuitry
- Q60BB6AF models: Protected against continuous overload or short circuit of outputs
- All models: Protected against false pulse on power-up

Output Response Time
- Q60BB6AF models: 2 milliseconds ON and OFF

Note: 150 millisecond delay on power-up; outputs do not conduct during this time.

- Q60VR3AF Universal models: 15 milliseconds ON and OFF

Note: 150 millisecond delay on power-up; relay is de-energized during this time.

Repeatability
- 500 microseconds

Sensing Hysteresis
- See *Figure 11* on page 5

Adjustments
- Slotted, geared, 2-turn, cutoff range adjustment screw (mechanical stops on both ends of travel)
- 2 momentary push buttons: ON Delay (+) and OFF Delay (–); DC models also have a remote program wire
  - ON Delay select: 8 ms to 16 seconds
  - OFF Delay select: 8 ms to 16 seconds
  - LO/DO select
  - Push button lockout for security

Construction
- Housing: ABS polycarbonate blend
- Lens: Acrylic
- Cover: Clear ABS

Environmental **Rating**
- IEC IP67; NEMA 6

Connections
- 2 m (6.5 ft) or 9 m (30 ft) attached cable, 5-pin Euro-style fitting, or 5-pin Mini-style 150 mm (6 in) QD, depending on model. QD cables are ordered separately

Operating Conditions
- Temperature: –20 °C to +55 °C (–4 °F to +131°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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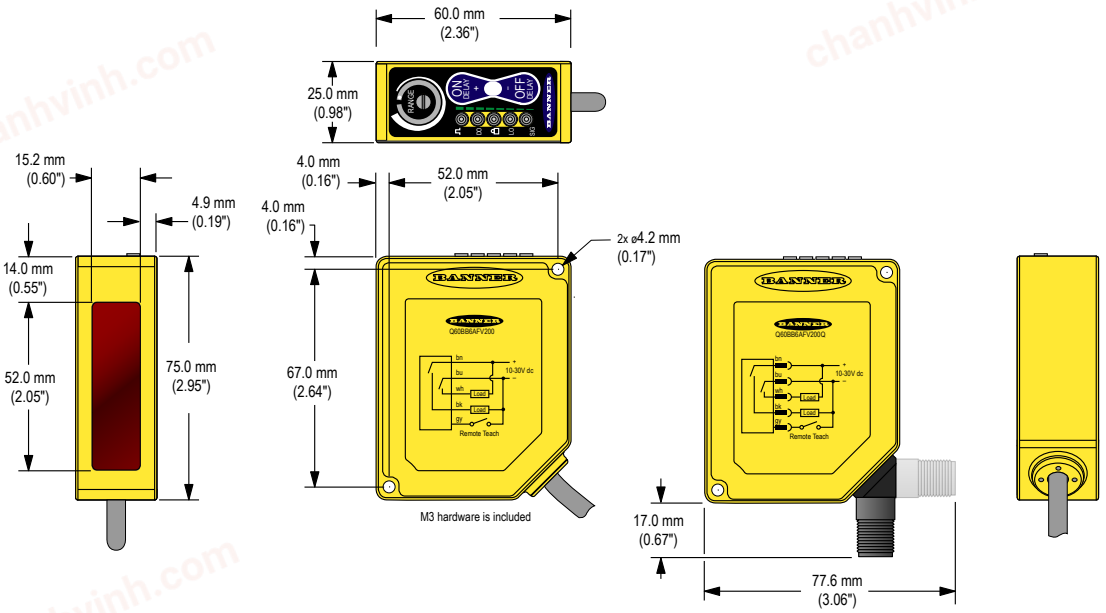
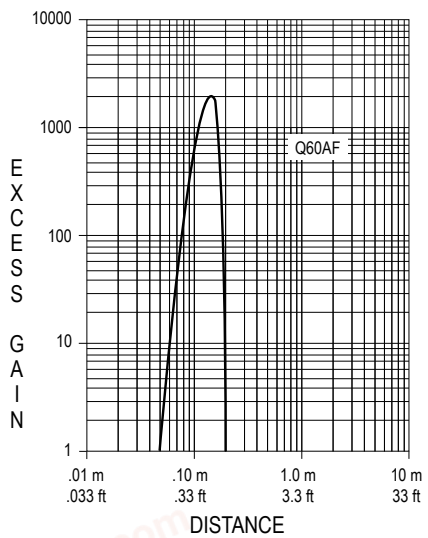
Dimensions



Performance Curves

Excess Gain at 200 mm **Cutoff**



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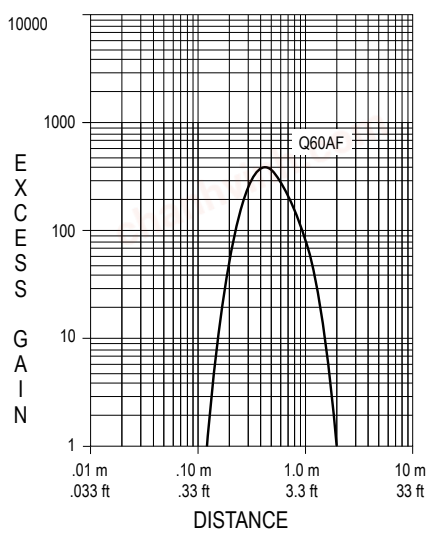

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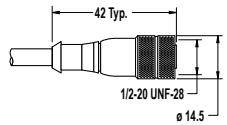
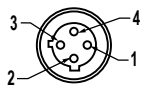
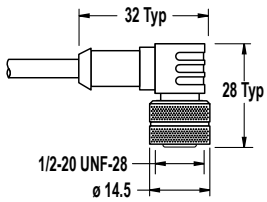
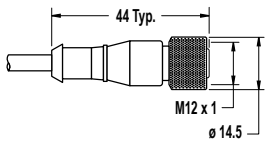
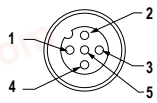
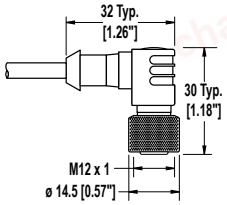
Accessories

Cordsets

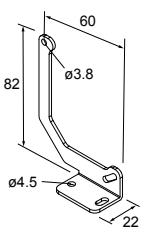
4-Pin Micro-Style Cordsets				
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
MQAC-406	1.83 m (6 ft)	Straight		 1 = Red/Black 2 = Red/White 3 = Red 4 = Green
MQAC-415	4.57 m (15 ft)			
MQAC-430	9.14 m (30 ft)			
MQAC-406RA	1.83 m (6 ft)	Right-Angle		
MQAC-415RA	4.57 m (15 ft)			
MQAC-430RA	9.14 m (30 ft)			

5-Pin Threaded M12/Euro-Style Cordsets—Single Ended				
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
MQDC1-501.5	0.50 m (1.5 ft)	Straight		 1 = Brown 2 = White 3 = Blue 4 = Black 5 = Gray
MQDC1-506	1.83 m (6 ft)			
MQDC1-515	4.57 m (15 ft)			
MQDC1-530	9.14 m (30 ft)			
MQDC1-506RA	1.83 m (6 ft)	Right-Angle		
MQDC1-515RA	4.57 m (15 ft)			
MQDC1-530RA	9.14 m (30 ft)			

Brackets

SMBQ60

- Right-angle bracket
- 14-ga., 304 Stainless Steel



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