QS18AF40 Mechanically Adjustable Background Suppression Sensor (15-40mm)

Features

Compact sensors featuring precise adjustment of cutoff distance and background suppression mode



- Short-range models for precise adjustment of cutoff distance
- Exceptional optical performance; 15 mm to 40 mm adjustable range in compact QS18 housing
- Background suppression models for reliable detection of objects when the background condition is not controlled or fixed
- Simple multi-turn screw adjustment of cutoff distance
- Enhanced immunity to fluorescent lights
- Crosstalk immunity algorithm allows two sensors to be used in close proximity
- Visible red emitter

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.

Models

Models	Supply Voltage	Sensing Range
QS18VN6AF40	10 to 30 V DC	15 to 40 mm adjustable range
QS18VP6AF40		
QS18AB6AF40		

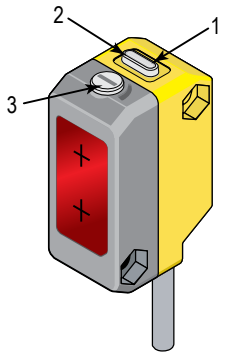
Only standard 2 m (6.5 ft) cable models are listed.

- To order 9 m (30 ft) cable models: add suffix "**W/30**" to the model number (for example, **QS18VN6AF40 W/30**)
- To order QD models: For 150 mm (6 in) cable with 4-pin AC Micro-style QD, add suffix "Q2" to the model number (for example, **QS18VN6AF40Q2**). A model with a QD connector requires an accessory mating cordset; see " Quick-Disconnect (QD) Cordsets " on page 6
- To order 600 V cable models: Standard models are supplied with 300 V cable. For 600 V cable, add suffix "C1" to the model number (for example, **QS18VN6AF40C1**).

Overview

WORLD-BEAM QS18AF40 Adjustable Field Sensor with Background Suppression ignore objects beyond the set cutoff distance. Background suppression mode can be used in most situations with varying object color and position or with varying background conditions.

The short-range models offer precise cutoff capability for short range applications. With an adjustable cutoff distance of 15 to 40 mm, thinner objects closer to the background can be detected.



1. Green: Power Indicator
2. Yellow: Light Sensed Indicator (Flashes for Marginal Conditions)
3. Cutoff Point Adjustment Screw

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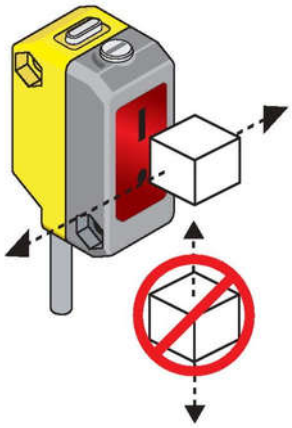
Installation Instructions

Sensor Orientation for a QS18AF BGS

To ensure reliable detection, orient the sensor as shown in relation to the target to be detected.

Optimal Orientation of Target to Sensor



Wiring Diagrams

Cabled wiring diagrams are shown.Quick disconnect wiring diagrams are functionally identical.

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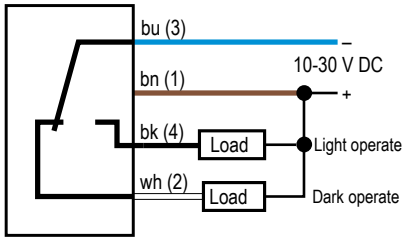

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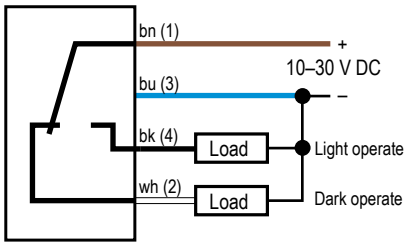
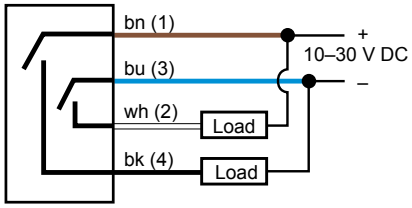


Light operate bipolar outputs



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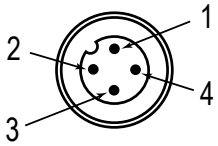
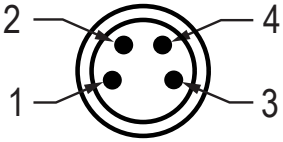


4-pin M8 Male



1. Brown
2. White
3. Blue
4. Black

In dark operate (DO) mode, the output is ON when the target returns less light to the sensor than the configured target and OFF when the sensor detects more light than the configured/taught target.

In light operate (LO) mode, the output is ON when the target returns the same or more light to the sensor and OFF when the sensor detects less light than the configured/taught target.

In **adjustable field** sensing modes, light operate is active when the target is present and dark operate is active when the target is absent.

Configure the QS18AF with Background Suppression (BGS)

Background Suppression: Objects beyond the set cutoff distance are not detected. Background suppression mode can be used in most situations with varying object colors and positions or with varying background conditions.

To ensure reliable background suppression, a minimum separation distance between the object and the background is necessary. See to determine the minimum separation distance.

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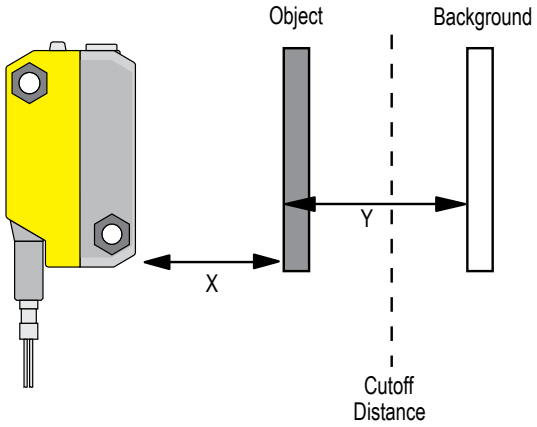
Set the cutoff distance approximately midway between the farthest object and the closest background



X: Distance to the Object

Y: Minimum Separation Between the Object and the Background

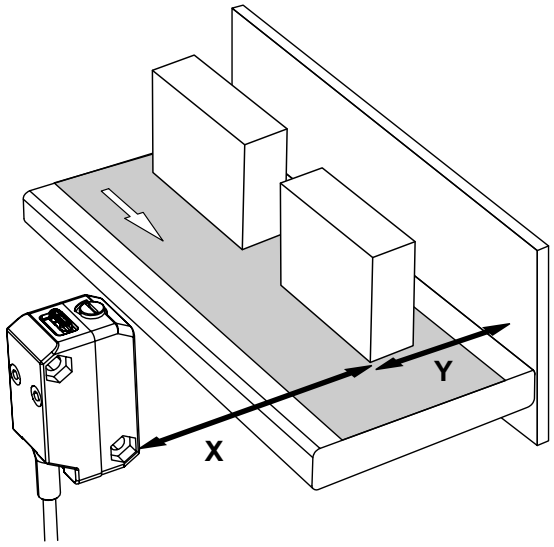
1. Mount the sensor with the darkest object at the longest application distance. The distance to the object must be less than shown in the *Minimum Separation Distance* figure in for your object color.
2. Turn the adjustment potentiometer **counter-clockwise** until the yellow indicator turns **off** (5 turns maximum).
3. Turn the adjustment potentiometer **clockwise** until the yellow indicator turns **on**.
4. Replace the darkest object with the brightest background at the closest application distance.
5. Turn the adjustment potentiometer **clockwise**, counting the revolutions, until the yellow indicator turns **on**.
6. Turn the adjustment potentiometer **counter-clockwise** half of the number of turns from step 5. This places the cutoff distance midway between the object and the background switchpoints.
   The sensor is ready for operation.

Example QS18AF BGS Sensor Configuration

An object with a reflectivity similar to black paper is set 30 mm away from the sensor. A background with a reflectivity similar to white paper is set 40 mm away from the sensor.

According to the *Minimum Separation Distance* figure in , the minimum separation distance between the object and the background is 0.7 mm. In this application, reliable detection is achieved when set up according to the procedure outlined in .

Background Suppression Mode Application Example



1. Object
2. Conveyor
3. Background

X: Distance to the Object = 30 mm
Y: Minimum Separation Between the Object and the Background > 0.7 mm

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Output States

Background Suppression Mode				
Sensor Model Type	**Output**	**Object Inside Minimum Sensing Range**	**Object Between Minimum Sensing Range and Cutoff Distance**	**Object Beyond Cutoff Distance**
All Models	Yellow Indicator Light	Undefined	ON	OFF
Complementary Models	Black Wire (Pin 4)	Undefined	ON	OFF
	White Wire (Pin 2)	Undefined	OFF	ON
Bipolar Models	Black Wire (Pin 4)	Undefined	ON	OFF
	White Wire (Pin 2)	Undefined	ON	OFF

Specifications

Supply Voltage

10 V DC to 30 V DC (10% maximum ripple within specified limits) at less than 16 mA, exclusive of load

Sensing Beam

Visible red LED, 630 nm

Supply Protection Circuitry

Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages

Output Configuration

Solid-state complementary: NPN or PNP (current sinking or sourcing), or bipolar (both sinking and sourcing) depending on model;

Rating: 100 mA total output current

Off-state leakage current: < 50 µA at 30 V dc

ON-state saturation voltage: < 1.5 V at 10 mA; < 3.0 V at 100 mA

Protected against false pulse on power-up and continuous overload or short circuit of outputs

Application Notes

For mirror-like objects, minimize the sensor-to-object mounting distance and tilt the sensor so reflected light is directed away from the sensor when the object is present.

Construction

ABS housing, acrylic lens cover; PVC cable, nickel-plated brass connector, metal adjustment pot

Output Response

2.8 millisecond ON/OFF

Note: 200-millisecond delay on power-up; outputs do not conduct during this time

Adjustments

Five-turn adjustment screw sets cutoff distance between min. and max. positions clutched at both ends of travel

Repeatability

250 µs

Indicators

Two LED indicators on sensor top:

Green solid: Power on

Amber solid: Light sensed

Amber flashing: Marginal sensing condition

Environmental Rating

IEC IP67; NEMA 6; UL Type 1

Connections

2 m (6.5 ft) 4-wire PVC cable, 9 m (30 ft) PVC cable, or 4-pin M8 or M12 150 mm (6 in) cable quick-disconnect connector, depending on model

Operating Conditions

Relative Humidity: 95% relative humidity at 50 °C (non-condensing)

Temperature: –20 °C to 55 °C (–4 °F to 131 °F)

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

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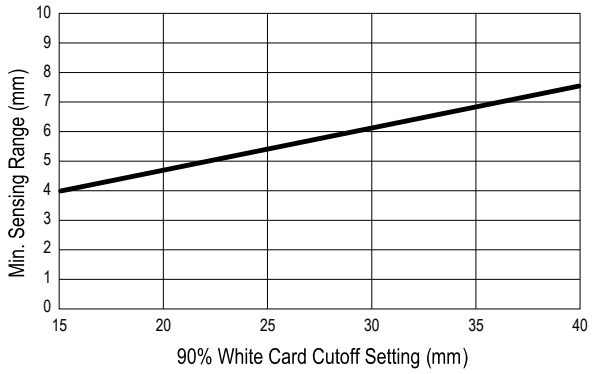
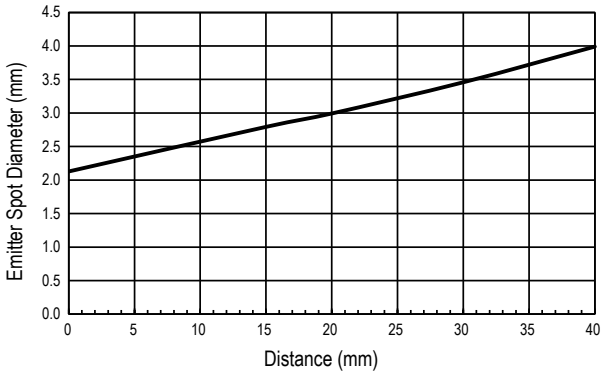
Performance Curves

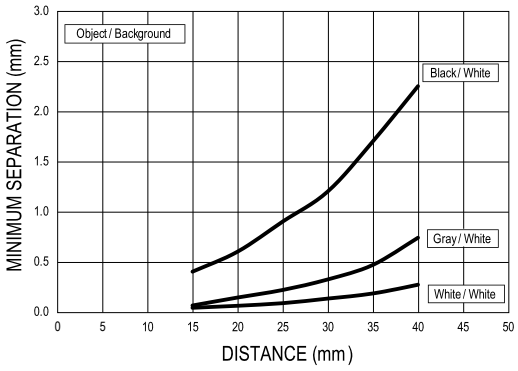
Minimum Sensing Range (Dead Zone) vs. 90% White Cutoff Setting

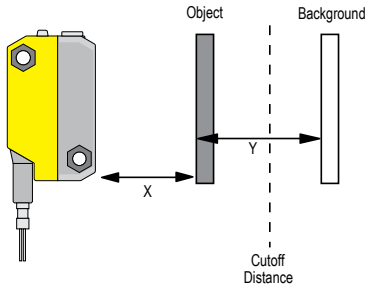


Typical Emitter Spot Diameter vs. Distance



Minimum Separation Distance Between Object and Background: Background Suppression Mode

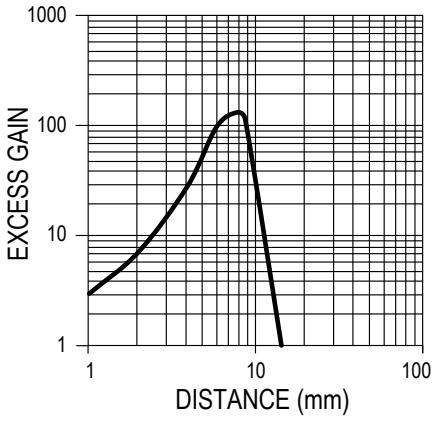




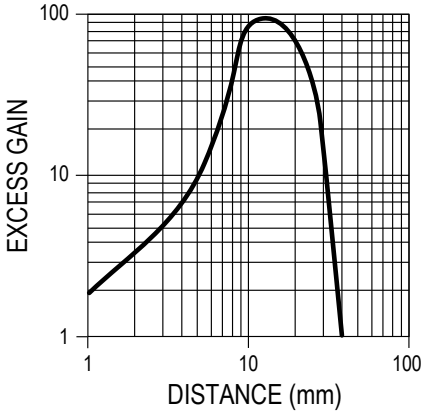
X: Distance to Object (mm)

Y: Minimum Separation Between Object and Background (mm)

Excess Gain Curve with 15 mm Cutoff (based on 90% White Card)



Excess Gain Curve with 40 mm Cutoff (based on 90% White Card)



Dimensions

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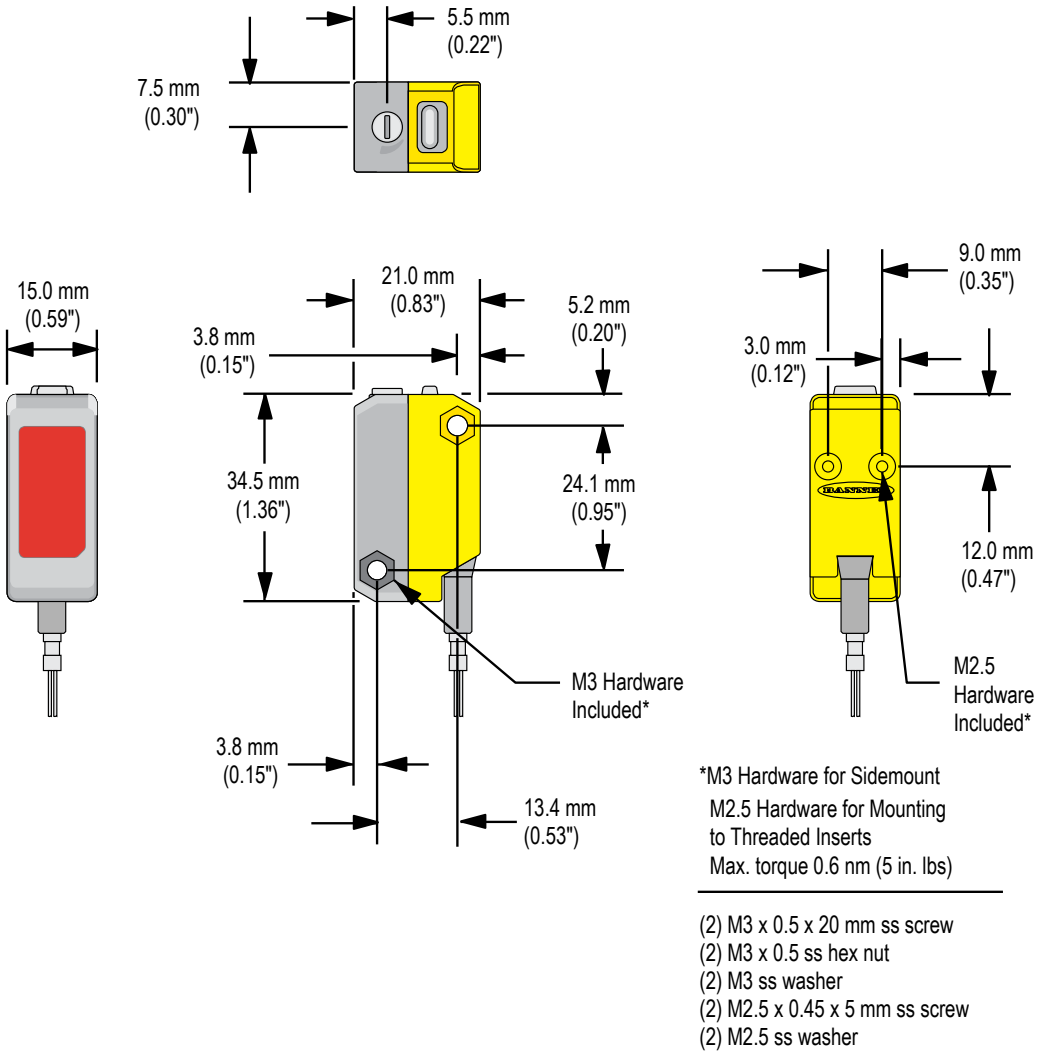


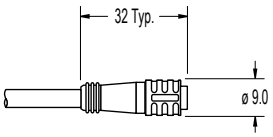
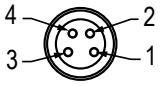
*M3 Hardware for Sidemount
M2.5 Hardware for Mounting to Threaded Inserts
Max. torque 0.6 nm (5 in. lbs)

(2) M3 x 0.5 x 20 mm ss screw
(2) M3 x 0.5 ss hex nut
(2) M3 ss washer
(2) M2.5 x 0.45 x 5 mm ss screw
(2) M2.5 ss washer

Accessories

Quick-Disconnect (QD) Cordsets

Use the M8 cordsets with QS18 with Q suffix; use the M12 cordsets with QS18 with Q5 suffix.

4-Pin Single-Ended Snap-on M8 Female Cordsets					
Model	**Length**	**Style**	**Dimensions**	**Pinout (Female)**	
PKG4-2	2.03 m (6.66 ft)	Straight			1 = Brown 2 = White 3 = Blue 4 = Black

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4-Pin Single-Ended M12 Female Cordsets					
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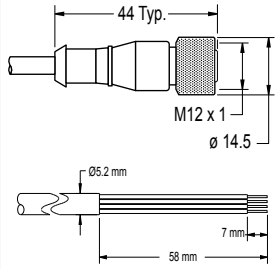
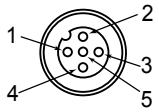
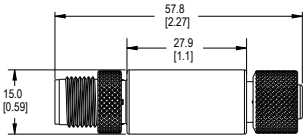
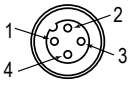
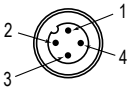
MQDC-403	1 m (3.28 ft)	Straight			1 = Brown 2 = White 3 = Blue 4 = Black 5 = Not used
MQDC-406	2 m (6.56 ft)				
MQDC-410	3 m (9.8 ft)				
MQDC-415	5 m (16.4 ft)				
MQDC-430	9 m (29.5 ft)				
MQDC-450	15 m (49.2 ft)				
MQDC-460	18.3 m (60 ft)				
MQDC-470	21 m (68.9 ft)				
MQDC-4100	30 m (98.43 ft)				

Sensor Status Indicators

S15L Series In-Line Sensor Status Indicator						
Model	**Input Type**	**LED Color**	**Dimensions**	**Female**	**Male**	**Wiring**
S15LGYPQ	PNP	Power ON = Green Input Active = Yellow				1 = Brown, 10 to 30 V DC 2 = White 3 = Blue, DC common 4 = Black, Sensor Input
S15LGYNQ	NPN					

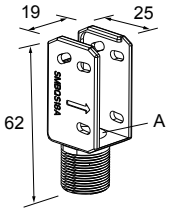
Mounting Brackets

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

SMBQS18A

- Wrap-around protection bracket
- Die-cast bracket
- Base fits 18 mm threaded hole
- Metal hex nut, lock washer and grommet included
- Mounting holes specially designed for QS18AF sensors

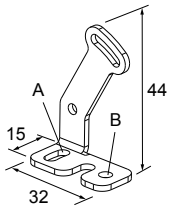
Hole size: A = ø 15.3



SMBQS18AF

- Right-angle mounting bracket
- 14-ga. 304 stainless steel

Hole center spacing: A to B = 20.3
Hole size: A = 4.3 × 9.4, B = ø 4.3



Product Support and Maintenance

Clean with Compressed Air Then Isopropyl Alcohol

Handle the sensor with care during installation and operation. Sensor windows soiled by fingerprints, dust, water, oil, etc. may create stray light that may degrade the peak performance of the sensor. Blow dust from the sensor using filtered, compressed air. If the sensor is still dirty, gently wipe the sensor with a dry optical cloth. If the dry optical cloth does not remove all residue, use 70% isopropyl alcohol on a clean optical cloth, then dry with a clean dry optical cloth and blow with filtered, compressed air.

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