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Product Description

The Comet Series from Eaton's Electrical Sector is a complete line of high performance, 18 mm tubular sensors with a variety of models and modes to solve virtually any sensing problem.

The sensors are available in thru-beam, reflex, polarized reflex, diffuse reflective, focused diffuse reflective, wide angle diffuse reflective, Perfect Prox, fine spot Perfect Prox and fiber optic sensing. Perfect Prox is one of the most powerful problem-solving sensors available. These sensors can reliably detect targets of different color, reflectance, contrast or surface shape at the same range, while ignoring background objects just a fraction of an inch away.

The Comet Series includes AC/DC and DC-only models with two-, three- and four-wire circuitry. Choose from cable or micro-connector. Mini-connectors are available

on two-wire models for easy retrofit. Each sensor features a Light/Dark Operation switch and a gain control to provide for quick adjustment to peak optical performance.

The unique threaded body with flat sides allows quick mounting in a 3/4 inch hole or against any flat surface. Internal components are rigidly sealed in a solid encapsulated package for excellent performance in high-vibration and high-shock applications.

Features

- Industry standard 18 mm diameter threaded body has flat sides allowing it to be mounted like a tubular sensor or against any flat surface
- Right Angle viewing models mount in a depth of only 6/10th of an inch

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- Perfect Prox technology provides exceptional background rejection and application problem-solving
- Visible sensing beams let you see where the beam is aimed for quick setup and alignment
- Solid polyurethane housing completely encapsulates internal circuits for high resistance to shock and vibration
- Adaptable modulation circuit provides immunity to crosstalk from other closely mounted sensors
- Models available with both AC and DC operation in a single unit—up to 264 Vac
- Four-wire DC sensors offer both NPN and PNP outputs
- Output status indicator visible from a wide 270° angle

Standards and Certifications

- UL Recognized, E117028
- CSA Certified, 50513
- CE (DC models only)
- RoHS Compliant



⚠ DANGER

THIS SENSOR IS NOT A SAFETY DEVICE AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE USED AS A SAFETY DEVICE. This sensor is designed only to detect and read certain data in an electronic manner and perform no use apart from that, specifically no safety-related use. This sensor product does not include self-checking redundant circuitry, and the failure of this sensor product could cause either an energized or de-energized output condition, which could result in death, serious bodily injury, or property damage.

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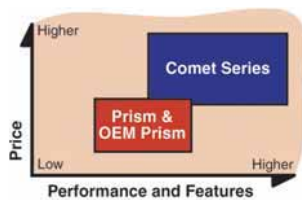
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Product Overview

Product Comparison

Eaton's cost-effective Prism Series, OEM Prism and premium Comet Series all share the same 18 mm flat-sided housing. This results in the largest interchangeable sensor family available, allowing you to select from well over 250 different models to solve the widest variety of sensing applications.

Comparison



Compared to similar-looking Prism and OEM Prism, the Comet Series includes the following advantages:

- AC/DC two-wire versions available
- Light/dark output configuration
- Perfect Prox background rejection technology

Sensing Modes

Thru-Beam

This sensing mode is available with ranges of 20 and 80 ft (6 and 24 m). The 20 ft (6 m) range is available in forward and Right Angle viewing, and can be intermixed in any combination for the best fit in your application. Long range models feature a visible sensing beam to help simplify installation and alignment.

Reflex and Polarized Reflex

In reflex sensing, the sensing beam is reflected from a retroreflector back to the sensor. The Comet Series includes standard and polarized models with two-wire, three-wire and four-wire circuits. Right Angle models are also available. Polarized models feature a polarizing filter built into the sensor to ensure that only light reflected from a corner-cube retroreflector is recognized by the sensor. This allows reliable detection of shiny targets that could reflect light and be missed by a non-polarized sensor. Most models include a visible sensing beam for easy installation and alignment.

Diffuse Reflective, Focused Diffuse and Wide Angle Diffuse

A wide variety of diffuse reflective models are available with ranges of 8 in (200 mm) and 24 in (610 mm). Forward and Right Angle viewing configurations offer identical optical performance in this series. Focused diffuse reflective models feature a light beam that is focused at a point 1.6 in (40 mm) in front of the sensor lens for applications where you need to avoid sensing objects in front of or behind the target. Wide angle diffuse models provide a large spot and wide detection area.

Perfect Prox

This is a unique type of diffuse reflective sensor that combines extremely high sensing power (called "excess gain") with a sharp optical cutoff to ignore backgrounds. This allows the sensor to reliably detect targets regardless of variations in color, reflectance, contrast or surface shape, while ignoring objects that are just slightly outside the target range. This gives the Perfect Prox an outstanding ability to solve sensing applications that would be difficult or impossible to manage with other types of sensors. It also makes Perfect Prox one of the easiest photoelectric sensors to set up and use.

Eaton's Comet Series includes more background rejection models than any other family on the market. Choose from forward or Right Angle viewing, two-, three- or four-wire circuits, cable, micro or mini-connector terminations and a variety of sensing ranges. A visible sensing beam on most models lets you quickly confirm that the sensor is aligned correctly with the target. Fine spot models provide an extremely small 0.05 in (1.3 mm) light spot for accurately detecting tiny targets such as fine strands of wire or targets that are in or behind small diameter holes.

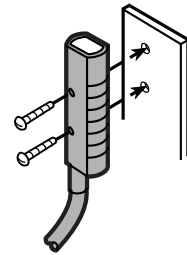
Fiber Optic

The Comet Series also includes sensors that utilize fiber optic cables to sense objects where space is restricted, temperatures are high, or tight viewing angles are required. Choose from models that accept low cost plastic fiber optic cables, or use our glass fiber optic adapter that inexpensively converts our standard diffuse reflective sensors for use with durable glass fiber optic cables.

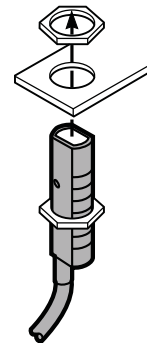
Mounting

Comet Series sensors feature a threaded housing and include two jam nuts and washers for mounting into any 0.75 in (19 mm) hole or a selection of accessory mounting brackets available from Eaton. The flat sides of the sensor feature two mounting holes for easily attaching the sensor to any flat surface with #4 hardware.

Mounting Sensor using #4 Hardware



Mounting Sensor using a Jam Nut



Note: See **Pages V8-T5-62 and V8-T5-63**, and **Tab 8, section 8.2** for a full list of mounting brackets compatible with the Comet Series.

Product Selection

Thru-Beam Sensors

Three-Wire and Four-Wire Sensors

Thru-Beam Forward Viewing

Source

Detector

Thru-Beam Forward Viewing^{①②}

Operating Voltage	Sensing Range	Optimum Range	Field of View	Thru-Beam Component	Connection Type	Catalog Number
20–264 Vac 50/60 Hz or 15–30 Vdc (NPN)	20 ft (6 m)	0.1 to 10 ft (0.03 to 3 m)	30 in (760 mm) diameter at 10 ft (3 m) ③	Source (Visible alignment beam)	6 ft cable	11100A6513
					4-pin micro AC connector	11100AQD03 ☹
				Detector	6 ft cable	12100A6513
					4-pin micro AC connector	12100AQD03 ☹
	80 ft (24 m)	0.1 to 40 ft (0.03 to 12 m)	40 in (1 m) diameter at 40 ft (12 m)	Source (Visible red beam)	6 ft cable	11102A6513
					4-pin micro AC connector	11102AQD03 ☹
				Detector	6 ft cable	12102A6513
					4-pin micro AC connector	12102AQD03 ☹
10–30 Vdc (NPN and PNP)	20 ft (6 m)	0.1 to 10 ft (0.03 to 3 m)	30 in (760 mm) diameter at 10 ft (3 m) ③	Source (Visible alignment beam)	6 ft cable	11100A6517
					4-pin micro DC connector	11100AQD07 ☹
				Detector	6 ft cable	12100A6517
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Thru-Beam Right Angle Viewing

Source

Detector

Thru-Beam Right Angle Viewing^{①②}

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Notes

☹ See listing of compatible connector cables on **Page V8-T5-62**.

① For a complete system, order one source and one detector.

② 11100 sources and 12100 detectors may be interchanged in any combination. 11102 models must be used with 12102 models.

③ The effective beam (minimum object size that can be detected) is 0.25 in (6.5 mm) diameter.