

# MINI-BEAM® SM312D

the photoelectric specialist

Self-contained DC-operated Diffuse Mode Sensors





- Compact, modulated, self-contained diffuse proximity mode sensors for 10-30V dc operation
- Range to 380 mm (15") (referenced to 90% reflectance white test card)
- Switch-selectable for light operate or dark operate
- Includes Banner's exclusive AID™ alignment system\*
- · Highly repeatable 1 millisecond response
- Both sourcing and sinking outputs (150 mA max. each); continuous overload and short-circuit protected
- Rugged, epoxy-encapsulated construction: meets NEMA standards 1, 2, 3, 3S, 4, 4X, 6, 12 and 13; IEC IP67
- Physically and electrically interchangeable with 18 mm barrel-type photoelectrics

\*US patent number 4356393



Infrared, 880 nm

						Infrared, 880 nm
MINI-BEAM Diffuse Models						
Models	Range	Cable*	Supply Voltage	Output Type	Excess Gain	Beam Pattern
11104010	rtungo	Gubio	Tonago	.,,,,	Performance based on 90	0% reflectance white test card
SM312D SM312DQD	380 mm (15")	2 m (6.5') 4-Pin Euro QD	10-30V dc	Bipolar NPN/PNP	E X SM312D SM312	15 mm

#### \*Notes:

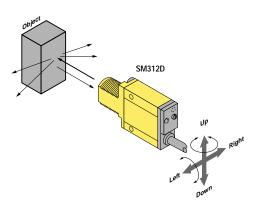
- i) 9 m (30') cables are available by adding suffix "W/30" to the model number of any cabled sensor (e.g., SM312D W/30).
- ii) A 150 mm (6") long pigtail cable with attached QD connector is available by adding suffix "QDP" to the model number of any MINI-BEAM sensor (e.g., SM312DQDP). See page 5 for more information.
- iii) A model with a QD connector requires an accessory mating cable. See page 8 for more information.
- iv) May be ordered with 0.3 millisecond on/off response by adding suffix "MHS" to the model numbers (e.g., SM312DMHS). This modification reduces sensing range (and excess gain).

# **MINI-BEAM Installation and Alignment**

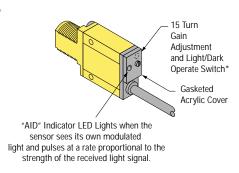
Proper operation of the SM312D sensor requires that it be mounted securely and aligned properly. Excessive movement or vibration can result in intermittent or false operation caused by loss of alignment. For best results, final-mount the SM312D in an 18mm-hole by its threaded barrel or use a mounting bracket (see page 6).

- 1) Begin with the sensor at the desired distance from the object to be sensed, and at the approximate position where it will be mounted. The background should be as far behind the object as possible (at least three times the distance of the sensor from the object), and as dark a color as possible compared to the object. Ideally, the object should present its largest reflective surface to the sensor.
- 2) Apply power to the sensor, and advance the 15-turn GAIN control to maximum (clockwise end of rotation). The GAIN control is clutched at both ends to avoid damage, and will "free-wheel" when either end point is reached.
  - If the sensor is "seeing" its reflected light, the sensor alignment LED should be "on". Move the sensor up-down-right-left (include angular rotation) to obtain the fastest receiver LED pulse rate. If a pulse is not observable (too fast to count), reduce the GAIN control (counterclockwise rotation) to obtain a countable pulse rate.
- 3) Repeat the alignment motions after each GAIN reduction. When you have found the sensor orientation that produces the fastest pulse rate, mount the sensor solidly in that position. Increase the receiver GAIN to maximum. Test the system by removing the object from the sensing position. The receiver LED indicator should go "off". If the LED indicator does not go "off", the sensor is reacting to light reflected from a background surface. Reduce the GAIN setting until the alignment indicator goes "off", plus two additional full turns. Again place the object in the sensing position. If the alignment indicator does not come "on", the sensor is receiving as much or more light energy from the background as from the object. Consider the following alternatives:
  - a) move the sensor closer to the object and reduce the sensitivity (GAIN);
  - b) reduce background reflectivity by painting the background with flat-black paint, or by scuffing the background or cutting a hole through it;
  - c) tilt the sensor or the background so that the sensing beam is not perpendicular to the background.

#### **Diffuse Mode Alignment**



#### SM312D



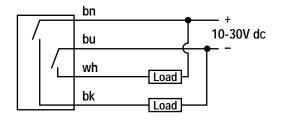
#### \* Note regarding Light/Dark operate switch:

- Turn switch fully clockwise for light operate (sensor outputs conduct when sensing light is received)
- Turn switch fully counterclockwise for dark operate (sensor outputs conduct when sensing light is not received)

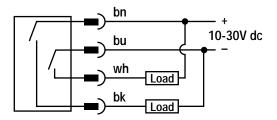
	MINI-BEAM DC Sensor Specifications
Supply Voltage and Current	10 to 30V dc (10% maximum ripple) at less than 25 mA (exclusive of load)
Supply Protection Circuitry	Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages
Output Configuration	Bipolar: One current sourcing (PNP) and one current sinking (NPN) open-collector transistor
Output Rating	150mA maximum each output at 25°C, derated to 100 mA at 70°C (derate ≈1 mA per °C)  Off-state leakage current less than 1 microamp  Output saturation voltage (PNP output) less than 1 volt at 10 mA and less than 2 volts at 150 mA  Output saturation voltage (NPN output) less than 200 millivolts at 10 mA and less than 1 volt at 150 mA
Output Protection Circuitry	Protected against false pulse on power-up and continuous overload or short-circuit of outputs
Output Response Time	Sensors will respond to either a "light" or a "dark" signal of 1 millisecond or longer duration, 500 Hz max. 0.3 millisecond response modification is available. See note below. 100 millisecond delay on power-up: outputs are do not conduct during this time.
	NOTE: DC MINI-BEAMs may be ordered with 0.3 millisecond on/off response by adding suffix "MHS" to the model numbers (e.g SM312DMHS). This modification reduces sensing range (and excess gain).
Repeatability	0.3 milliseconds. Response time and repeatability specifications are independent of signal strength.
Adjustments	LIGHT/DARK OPERATE select switch, and 15-turn slotted brass screw GAIN (sensitivity) adjustment potentiometer (clutched at both ends of travel). Both controls are located on rear panel of sensor and protected by a gasketed, clear acrylic cover.
Indicators	Exclusive, patented Alignment Indicating Device system (AID**, US patent #4356393) lights a rear-panel mounted red LED indicator whenever the sensor sees a "light" condition, with a superimposed pulse rate proportional to the light signal strength (the stronger the signal, the faster the pulse rate).
Construction	Reinforced PBT thermoplastic polyester housing, totally encapsulated, o-ring sealing, acrylic lenses, and stainless steel screws.
Environmental Rating	Meets NEMA standards 1, 2, 3, 3S, 4, 4X, 6, 12, and 13; IEC IP67
Connections	PVC-jacketed 4-conductor 2 m (6.5 ft) or 9 m (30 ft) cables, or 4-pin euro-style quick disconnect (QD) fitting are available. QD cables are ordered separately. See page 8.
Operating Temperature	Temperature: -20° to +70°C (-4° to +158°F)  Maximum relative humidity: 90% at 50°C (non-condensing)
Application Notes	The NPN (current sinking) output of dc MINI-BEAM sensors is directly compatible as an input to Banner logic modules, including all non-amplified MAXI-AMP and MICRO-AMP modules. MINI-BEAMs are TTL compatible.
Certifications	

# MINI-BEAM DC Hookup Diagrams

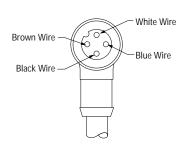
### DC Sensors with Attached Cable



# DC Sensors with Quick Disconnect (4-Pin Euro-Style)



# 4-Pin Euro-Style Pin-out (Cable Connector Shown)



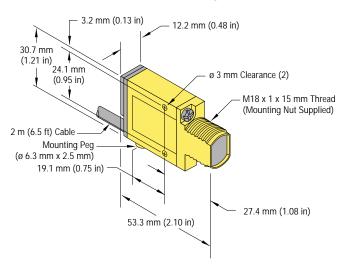
# Quick Disconnect (QD) Option

DC MINI-BEAM sensors are sold with either a 2 m (6.5') or a 9 m (30') attached PVC-covered cable, or with a 4-pin Euro-style QD cable fitting.

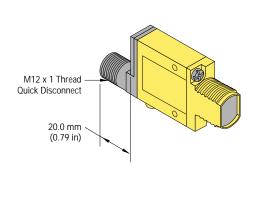
DC QD sensors are identified by the letters "QD" in their model number suffix. For more information on mating QD cables, see page 8.

## **MINI-BEAM Dimensions**

# MINI-BEAM DC Sensor with Integral Cable



# MINI-BEAM DC Sensor with Quick-Disconnect

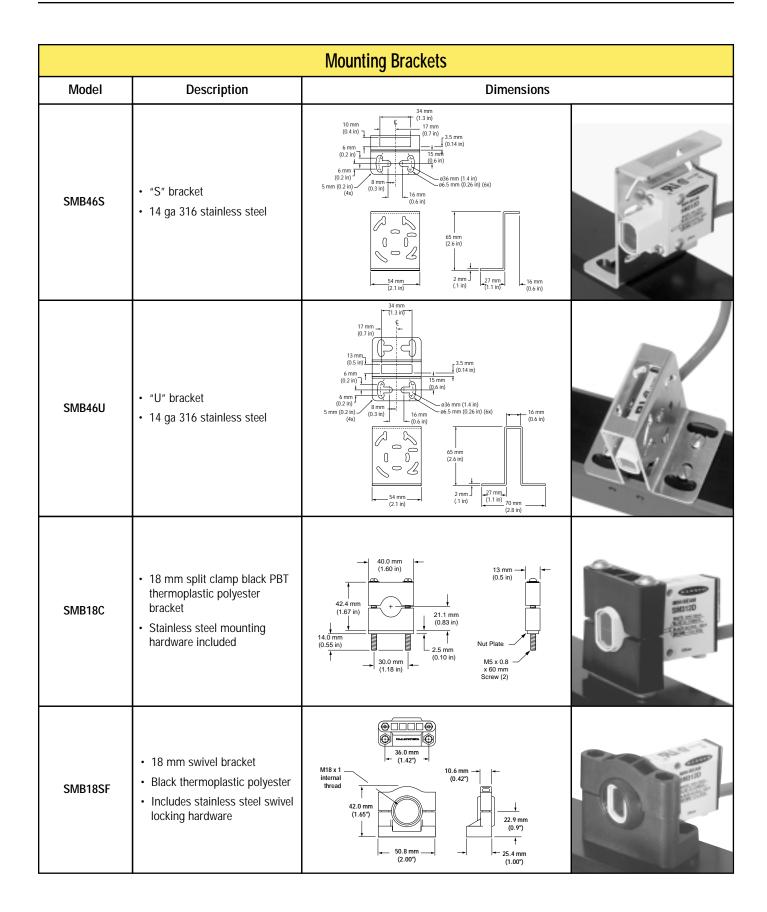


	MINI-BEAM Modifications					
Model Suffix	Modification	Description	Example of Model Number			
W/30	9 meter (30') cable	All MINI-BEAM sensors may be ordered with an integral 9 m (30') cable in place of the standard 2 m (6.5') cable	SM312D W/30			
MHS	Modified for High Speed	Standard dc MINI-BEAM sensors with 1 millisecond output response may be modified for 0.3 millisecond (300 µs) response.  NOTE: Faster response comes at the expense of lower excess gain.  Also, operating temperature range becomes -20° to +50°C (-4° to +122°F)	SM312DMHS			
QDP	Pigtail Quick Disconnect	All MINI-BEAMs may be built with a 150 mm (6") long integral cable which is terminated with the appropriate QD connector.	SM312DQDP			

F	Replacement Lens Assemblies					
MINI	-BEAM lens assemblies are	field-replaceable.				
Model	Description					
UC-300L	Replacement lens for SM312D					

	Right-Angle Reflectors					
	MINI-BEAM right-angle reflectors are useful for tight sensing locations. NOTE: These reflectors significantly decrease excess gain.					
Model	Description					
RAR- 300SM	Side mount reflector     Profile dimension of 14 mm (0.56") in the direction of the scan					
RAR- 300FM	<ul> <li>Front mount reflector that attaches directly to the threaded barrel of most MINI-BEAMs</li> <li>Profile dimension of 34 mm (1.35") in the direction of the scan</li> </ul>					

	Mounting Brackets					
Model		Description				
SMB312S	Stainless steel 2-axis, side mounting bracket	R 24.1 mm (0.95 in) 10° (TVP) 4.32 mm (0.170 in) 20° (1.25 in) 20.3 mm (0.120 in) (0.120 in) (0.170 in) (0.120 in) (0.170 in) (0.120 in) (0.170 in) (0.120 in) (0.170				
SMB312PD	Stainless steel 18 mm barrel- mounting bracket	R 2.4 1 mm (0.95 in) (0.95 in) (0.60 in) (0.60 in) (0.60 in) (0.60 in) (0.12				
SMB312B	Stainless steel 2-axis, bottom mounting bracket	4.3 mm Slot (2) (0.17 in)  24.1 mm (0.95 in) (0.36 in)  3.1 mm (0.95 in) (0.36 in)  8.6 mm (2) (0.10 in)  17.3 mm (2) (0.20 in)  11.4 mm (0.92 in) (0.27 in)  23.4 mm (0.95 in) (0.45 in)  23.4 mm (0.95 in) (0.45 in)	September 1			
SMB46L	<ul><li> "L" bracket</li><li>14 ga 316 stainless steel</li></ul>	6 mm (0.2 in) 15 mm (0.2 in) (0.6 in) 6 mm (0.2 in) 5 mm (0.2 in) 8 mm (0.6 in) 6 mm (	100 mm m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m			



# **Extension Cables (without connectors)**

The following cables are available for extending the length of existing sensor cable. These are 30 m (100') lengths of MINI-BEAM cable. This cable may be spliced to existing cable. Connectors, if used, must be customer-supplied.

Model	Туре	Used with:
EC312-100	4-conductor	All MINI-BEAM SM312 dc models

# **Euro-Style Quick-Disconnect Cables**

**Cable:** PVC jacket, polyurethane connector body, nickel-plated brass coupling nut **Conductors:** 22 or 20 AWG high-flex stranded, PVC insulation, gold-plated contacts

Temperature: -40° to +90°C (-40° to +194°F)

Voltage Rating: 250V ac/300V dc



Style	Model	Length	Dimensions:	Pin-out
4-Pin Straight	MQDC-406 MQDC-415 MQDC-430	2 m (6.5') 5 m (15') 9 m (30')	## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	Brown Wire Wire
4-Pin Right-angle	MQDC-406RA MQDC-415RA MQDC-430RA	2 m (6.5') 5 m (15') 9 m (30')	38 mm max. (1.5 in) 38 mm max. (1.5 in) M12 x 1 Ø15 mm (0.6 in)	Blue Wire Black Wire



WARNING . . . Not To Be Used for Personnel Protection

Never use this product as a sensing device for personnel protection. Doing so could lead to serious injury or death.

This product 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. Consult your current Banner Safety Products catalog for safety products which meet OSHA, ANSI and IEC standards for personnel protection.

**WARRANTY:** Banner Engineering Corp. warrants its products to be free from defects for one year. Banner Engineering Corp. will repair or replace, free of charge, any product of its manufacture found to be defective at the time it is returned to the factory during the warranty period. This warranty does not cover damage or liability for the improper application of Banner products. This warranty is in lieu of any other warranty either expressed or implied.



# MINI-BEAM® SM312D

the photoelectric specialist

Self-contained DC-operated Diffuse Mode Sensors





- Compact, modulated, self-contained diffuse proximity mode sensors for 10-30V dc operation
- Range to 380 mm (15") (referenced to 90% reflectance white test card)
- Switch-selectable for light operate or dark operate
- Includes Banner's exclusive AID™ alignment system\*
- · Highly repeatable 1 millisecond response
- Both sourcing and sinking outputs (150 mA max. each); continuous overload and short-circuit protected
- Rugged, epoxy-encapsulated construction: meets NEMA standards 1, 2, 3, 3S, 4, 4X, 6, 12 and 13; IEC IP67
- Physically and electrically interchangeable with 18 mm barrel-type photoelectrics

\*US patent number 4356393



Infrared, 880 nm

						Infrared, 880 nm
MINI-BEAM Diffuse Models						
Models	Range	Cable*	Supply Voltage	Output Type	Excess Gain	Beam Pattern
11104010	rtungo	Gubio	Tonago	.,,,,	Performance based on 90	0% reflectance white test card
SM312D SM312DQD	380 mm (15")	2 m (6.5') 4-Pin Euro QD	10-30V dc	Bipolar NPN/PNP	E X SM312D SM312	15 mm

#### \*Notes:

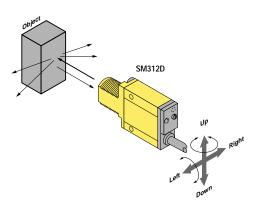
- i) 9 m (30') cables are available by adding suffix "W/30" to the model number of any cabled sensor (e.g., SM312D W/30).
- ii) A 150 mm (6") long pigtail cable with attached QD connector is available by adding suffix "QDP" to the model number of any MINI-BEAM sensor (e.g., SM312DQDP). See page 5 for more information.
- iii) A model with a QD connector requires an accessory mating cable. See page 8 for more information.
- iv) May be ordered with 0.3 millisecond on/off response by adding suffix "MHS" to the model numbers (e.g., SM312DMHS). This modification reduces sensing range (and excess gain).

# **MINI-BEAM Installation and Alignment**

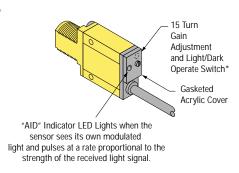
Proper operation of the SM312D sensor requires that it be mounted securely and aligned properly. Excessive movement or vibration can result in intermittent or false operation caused by loss of alignment. For best results, final-mount the SM312D in an 18mm-hole by its threaded barrel or use a mounting bracket (see page 6).

- 1) Begin with the sensor at the desired distance from the object to be sensed, and at the approximate position where it will be mounted. The background should be as far behind the object as possible (at least three times the distance of the sensor from the object), and as dark a color as possible compared to the object. Ideally, the object should present its largest reflective surface to the sensor.
- 2) Apply power to the sensor, and advance the 15-turn GAIN control to maximum (clockwise end of rotation). The GAIN control is clutched at both ends to avoid damage, and will "free-wheel" when either end point is reached.
  - If the sensor is "seeing" its reflected light, the sensor alignment LED should be "on". Move the sensor up-down-right-left (include angular rotation) to obtain the fastest receiver LED pulse rate. If a pulse is not observable (too fast to count), reduce the GAIN control (counterclockwise rotation) to obtain a countable pulse rate.
- 3) Repeat the alignment motions after each GAIN reduction. When you have found the sensor orientation that produces the fastest pulse rate, mount the sensor solidly in that position. Increase the receiver GAIN to maximum. Test the system by removing the object from the sensing position. The receiver LED indicator should go "off". If the LED indicator does not go "off", the sensor is reacting to light reflected from a background surface. Reduce the GAIN setting until the alignment indicator goes "off", plus two additional full turns. Again place the object in the sensing position. If the alignment indicator does not come "on", the sensor is receiving as much or more light energy from the background as from the object. Consider the following alternatives:
  - a) move the sensor closer to the object and reduce the sensitivity (GAIN);
  - b) reduce background reflectivity by painting the background with flat-black paint, or by scuffing the background or cutting a hole through it;
  - c) tilt the sensor or the background so that the sensing beam is not perpendicular to the background.

#### **Diffuse Mode Alignment**



#### SM312D



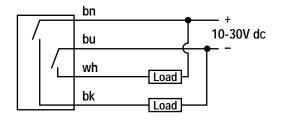
#### \* Note regarding Light/Dark operate switch:

- Turn switch fully clockwise for light operate (sensor outputs conduct when sensing light is received)
- Turn switch fully counterclockwise for dark operate (sensor outputs conduct when sensing light is not received)

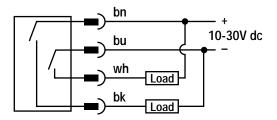
	MINI-BEAM DC Sensor Specifications
Supply Voltage and Current	10 to 30V dc (10% maximum ripple) at less than 25 mA (exclusive of load)
Supply Protection Circuitry	Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages
Output Configuration	Bipolar: One current sourcing (PNP) and one current sinking (NPN) open-collector transistor
Output Rating	150mA maximum each output at 25°C, derated to 100 mA at 70°C (derate ≈1 mA per °C)  Off-state leakage current less than 1 microamp  Output saturation voltage (PNP output) less than 1 volt at 10 mA and less than 2 volts at 150 mA  Output saturation voltage (NPN output) less than 200 millivolts at 10 mA and less than 1 volt at 150 mA
Output Protection Circuitry	Protected against false pulse on power-up and continuous overload or short-circuit of outputs
Output Response Time	Sensors will respond to either a "light" or a "dark" signal of 1 millisecond or longer duration, 500 Hz max. 0.3 millisecond response modification is available. See note below. 100 millisecond delay on power-up: outputs are do not conduct during this time.
	NOTE: DC MINI-BEAMs may be ordered with 0.3 millisecond on/off response by adding suffix "MHS" to the model numbers (e.g SM312DMHS). This modification reduces sensing range (and excess gain).
Repeatability	0.3 milliseconds. Response time and repeatability specifications are independent of signal strength.
Adjustments	LIGHT/DARK OPERATE select switch, and 15-turn slotted brass screw GAIN (sensitivity) adjustment potentiometer (clutched at both ends of travel). Both controls are located on rear panel of sensor and protected by a gasketed, clear acrylic cover.
Indicators	Exclusive, patented Alignment Indicating Device system (AID**, US patent #4356393) lights a rear-panel mounted red LED indicator whenever the sensor sees a "light" condition, with a superimposed pulse rate proportional to the light signal strength (the stronger the signal, the faster the pulse rate).
Construction	Reinforced PBT thermoplastic polyester housing, totally encapsulated, o-ring sealing, acrylic lenses, and stainless steel screws.
Environmental Rating	Meets NEMA standards 1, 2, 3, 3S, 4, 4X, 6, 12, and 13; IEC IP67
Connections	PVC-jacketed 4-conductor 2 m (6.5 ft) or 9 m (30 ft) cables, or 4-pin euro-style quick disconnect (QD) fitting are available. QD cables are ordered separately. See page 8.
Operating Temperature	Temperature: -20° to +70°C (-4° to +158°F)  Maximum relative humidity: 90% at 50°C (non-condensing)
Application Notes	The NPN (current sinking) output of dc MINI-BEAM sensors is directly compatible as an input to Banner logic modules, including all non-amplified MAXI-AMP and MICRO-AMP modules. MINI-BEAMs are TTL compatible.
Certifications	

# MINI-BEAM DC Hookup Diagrams

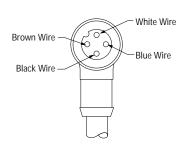
### DC Sensors with Attached Cable



# DC Sensors with Quick Disconnect (4-Pin Euro-Style)



# 4-Pin Euro-Style Pin-out (Cable Connector Shown)



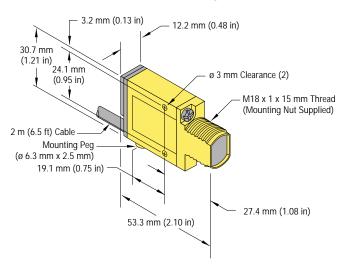
# Quick Disconnect (QD) Option

DC MINI-BEAM sensors are sold with either a 2 m (6.5') or a 9 m (30') attached PVC-covered cable, or with a 4-pin Euro-style QD cable fitting.

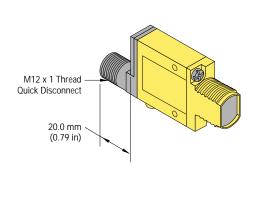
DC QD sensors are identified by the letters "QD" in their model number suffix. For more information on mating QD cables, see page 8.

## **MINI-BEAM Dimensions**

# MINI-BEAM DC Sensor with Integral Cable



# MINI-BEAM DC Sensor with Quick-Disconnect

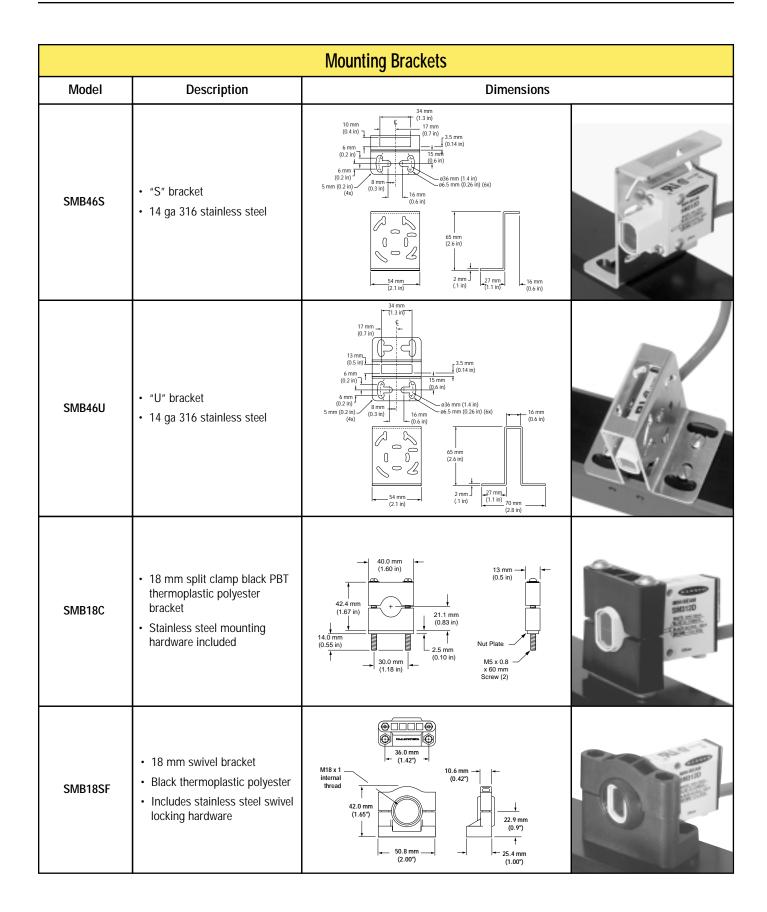


	MINI-BEAM Modifications					
Model Suffix	Modification	Description	Example of Model Number			
W/30	9 meter (30') cable	All MINI-BEAM sensors may be ordered with an integral 9 m (30') cable in place of the standard 2 m (6.5') cable	SM312D W/30			
MHS	Modified for High Speed	Standard dc MINI-BEAM sensors with 1 millisecond output response may be modified for 0.3 millisecond (300 µs) response.  NOTE: Faster response comes at the expense of lower excess gain.  Also, operating temperature range becomes -20° to +50°C (-4° to +122°F)	SM312DMHS			
QDP	Pigtail Quick Disconnect	All MINI-BEAMs may be built with a 150 mm (6") long integral cable which is terminated with the appropriate QD connector.	SM312DQDP			

F	Replacement Lens Assemblies					
MINI	-BEAM lens assemblies are	field-replaceable.				
Model	Description					
UC-300L	Replacement lens for SM312D					

Right-Angle Reflectors							
MINI-BEAM right-angle reflectors are useful for tight sensing locations. NOTE: These reflectors significantly decrease excess gain.							
Model	Description						
RAR- 300SM	Side mount reflector     Profile dimension of 14 mm (0.56") in the direction of the scan						
RAR- 300FM	<ul> <li>Front mount reflector that attaches directly to the threaded barrel of most MINI-BEAMs</li> <li>Profile dimension of 34 mm (1.35") in the direction of the scan</li> </ul>						

Mounting Brackets						
Model	Description					
SMB312S	Stainless steel 2-axis, side mounting bracket	R 5.1 mm (0.95 in) 10° (TVP) 4.32 mm (0.170 in) 4.32 mm (0.170 in) 20.3 mm (0.120 in) (0				
SMB312PD	Stainless steel 18 mm barrel- mounting bracket	R 5.1 mm (0.95 in) (0.95 in) (0.60 in) (0.60 in) (0.60 in) (0.60 in) (0.12 i				
SMB312B	Stainless steel 2-axis, bottom mounting bracket	4.3 mm Slot (2) (0.17 in)  24.1 mm (0.95 in) (0.36 in)  2.5 mm (0.95 in) (0.36 in)  3.1 mm (0.95 in) (0.36 in)  2.5 mm (0.27 in)  3.5 0 mm (2) (0.45 in)  3.5 0 mm (2) (0.45 in)  4.3 mm Slot (2) (0.36 in) (0.45 in) (0.45 in)	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR			
SMB46L	<ul><li> "L" bracket</li><li> 14 ga 316 stainless steel</li></ul>	6 mm (0.2 in) 15 mm (0.6 in) 6 mm (0.2 in) 5 mm (0.2 in) 8 mm (0.3 in) 16 mm (0.6 in) 6 mm (0.26 in) 6 mm (0.1 in) 6 mm (1.1 in) 6 mm (1.1 in)	Sinis Sinis Sinis			



# **Extension Cables (without connectors)**

The following cables are available for extending the length of existing sensor cable. These are 30 m (100') lengths of MINI-BEAM cable. This cable may be spliced to existing cable. Connectors, if used, must be customer-supplied.

Model	Туре	Used with:	
EC312-100	EC312-100 4-conductor All MINI-BEAM SM312 dc models		

# **Euro-Style Quick-Disconnect Cables**

**Cable:** PVC jacket, polyurethane connector body, nickel-plated brass coupling nut **Conductors:** 22 or 20 AWG high-flex stranded, PVC insulation, gold-plated contacts

Temperature: -40° to +90°C (-40° to +194°F)

Voltage Rating: 250V ac/300V dc



Style	Model	Length	Dimensions:	Pin-out
4-Pin Straight	MQDC-406 MQDC-415 MQDC-430	2 m (6.5') 5 m (15') 9 m (30')	## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	Brown Wire Blue Wire
4-Pin Right-angle	MQDC-406RA MQDC-415RA MQDC-430RA	2 m (6.5') 5 m (15') 9 m (30')	38 mm max. (1.5 in) 38 mm max. (1.5 in) 0.6 in)	



WARNING . . . Not To Be Used for Personnel Protection

Never use this product as a sensing device for personnel protection. Doing so could lead to serious injury or death.

This product 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. Consult your current Banner Safety Products catalog for safety products which meet OSHA, ANSI and IEC standards for personnel protection.

**WARRANTY:** Banner Engineering Corp. warrants its products to be free from defects for one year. Banner Engineering Corp. will repair or replace, free of charge, any product of its manufacture found to be defective at the time it is returned to the factory during the warranty period. This warranty does not cover damage or liability for the improper application of Banner products. This warranty is in lieu of any other warranty either expressed or implied.