



# WL12-3N2431

## W12-3

SMALL PHOTOELECTRIC SENSORS

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Ordering information

| Type        | Part no. |
|-------------|----------|
| WL12-3N2431 | 1041440  |

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Detailed technical data

Features

|                                    |                            |                                       |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Functional principle</b>        |                            | Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor |
| <b>Functional principle detail</b> |                            | Autocollimation                       |
| <b>Sensing range max.</b>          |                            | 0 m ... 7 m <sup>1)</sup>             |
| <b>Sensing range</b>               |                            | 0 m ... 5 m <sup>1)</sup>             |
| <b>Polarisation filters</b>        |                            | Yes                                   |
| <b>Emitted beam</b>                | Light source               | LED <sup>2)</sup>                     |
|                                    | Type of light              | Visible red light                     |
|                                    | Light spot size (distance) | Ø 100 mm (3 m)                        |
| <b>Key LED figures</b>             |                            |                                       |
|                                    | Wave length                | 640 nm                                |
| <b>Adjustment</b>                  |                            | Potentiometer, 5 turns                |
| <b>Angle of dispersion</b>         |                            | Approx. 1.5°                          |
| <b>Items supplied</b>              |                            | 2 x clamps BEF-KH-W12, incl. screws   |

<sup>1)</sup> Reflector PL80A.  
<sup>2)</sup> Average service life: 100,000 h at T<sub>U</sub> = +25 °C.

Safety-related parameters

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| <b>MTTF<sub>D</sub></b> | 1,543 years |
| <b>DC<sub>avg</sub></b> | 0 %         |

## Electrical data

|                                        |                                                       |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Supply voltage <math>U_B</math></b> | 10 V DC ... 30 V DC <sup>1)</sup>                     |
| <b>Ripple</b>                          | < 5 V <sub>pp</sub> <sup>2)</sup>                     |
| <b>Current consumption</b>             | 40 mA <sup>3)</sup>                                   |
| <b>Protection class</b>                | III                                                   |
| <b>Digital output</b>                  |                                                       |
| Type                                   | NPN                                                   |
| Switching mode                         | Light/dark switching                                  |
| Signal voltage NPN HIGH/LOW            | Approx. $V_S$ / < 2.5 V                               |
| Output current $I_{max}$               | ≤ 100 mA                                              |
| Response time                          | ≤ 330 μs <sup>4)</sup>                                |
| Switching frequency                    | 1,500 Hz <sup>5)</sup>                                |
| <b>Output function</b>                 | Complementary                                         |
| <b>Circuit protection</b>              | A <sup>6)</sup><br>C <sup>7)</sup><br>D <sup>8)</sup> |

<sup>1)</sup> Limit values when operated in short-circuit protected network: max. 8 A.

<sup>2)</sup> May not exceed or fall below  $U_V$  tolerances.

<sup>3)</sup> Without load.

<sup>4)</sup> Signal transit time with resistive load.

<sup>5)</sup> With light/dark ratio 1:1.

<sup>6)</sup> A =  $V_S$  connections reverse-polarity protected.

<sup>7)</sup> C = interference suppression.

<sup>8)</sup> D = outputs overcurrent and short-circuit protected.

## Mechanical data

|                               |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Housing</b>                | Rectangular               |
| <b>Dimensions (W x H x D)</b> | 15.6 mm x 48.5 mm x 42 mm |
| <b>Connection</b>             | Male connector M12, 4-pin |
| <b>Material</b>               |                           |
| Housing                       | Metal                     |
| Front screen                  | Plastic, PMMA             |
| <b>Weight</b>                 | 120 g                     |

## Ambient data

|                                      |                              |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Enclosure rating</b>              | IP66<br>IP67<br>IP69K        |
| <b>Ambient operating temperature</b> | -40 °C ... +60 °C            |
| <b>Ambient temperature, storage</b>  | -40 °C ... +75 °C            |
| <b>UL File No.</b>                   | NRKH.E181493 & NRKH7.E181493 |

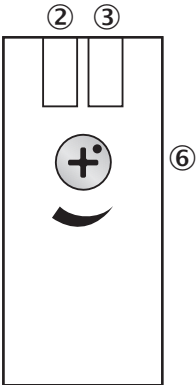
## Classifications

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| <b>ECLASS 5.0</b>   | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 5.1.4</b> | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 6.0</b>   | 27270902 |

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| <b>ECLASS 6.2</b>     | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 7.0</b>     | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 8.0</b>     | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 8.1</b>     | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 9.0</b>     | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 10.0</b>    | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 11.0</b>    | 27270902 |
| <b>ECLASS 12.0</b>    | 27270902 |
| <b>ETIM 5.0</b>       | EC002717 |
| <b>ETIM 6.0</b>       | EC002717 |
| <b>ETIM 7.0</b>       | EC002717 |
| <b>ETIM 8.0</b>       | EC002717 |
| <b>UNSPSC 16.0901</b> | 39121528 |

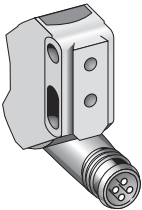
Adjustments

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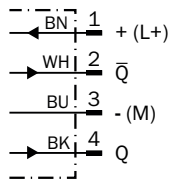
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- ③ LED indicator green: Supply voltage active
- ⑥ Sensitivity control: potentiometer

Connection type



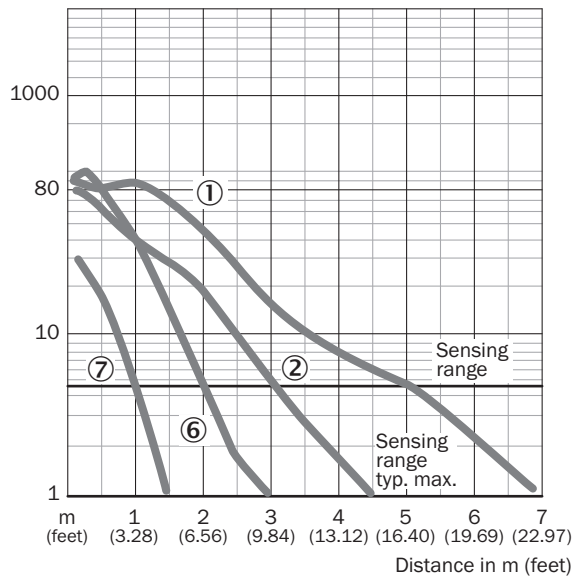
## Connection diagram

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## Characteristic curve

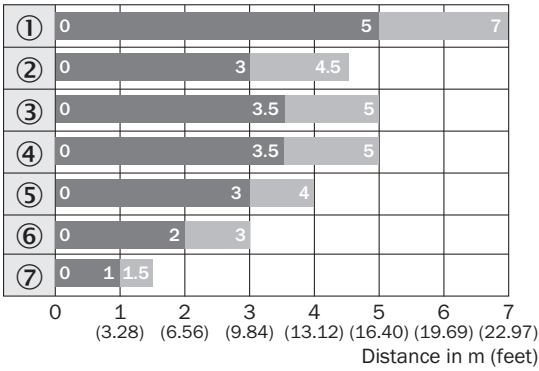
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- ① Reflector PL80A
- ② Reflector C110A
- ⑥ Reflector PL20A
- ⑦ Reflective tape

Sensing range diagram

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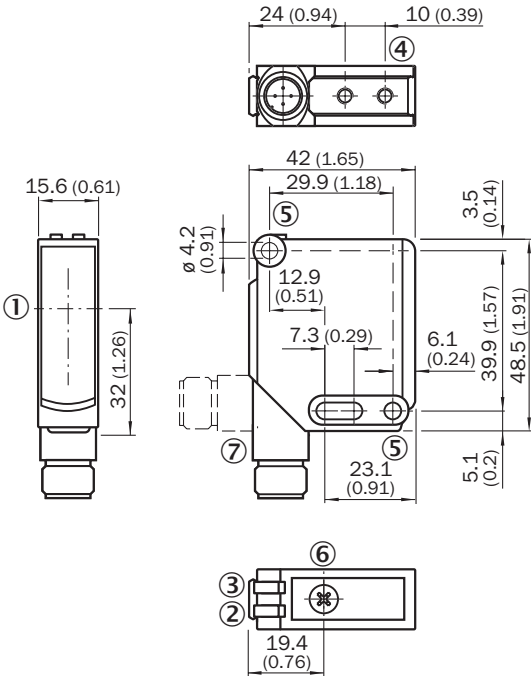


■ Sensing range      ■ Sensing range typ. max.

- ① Reflector PL80A
- ② Reflector C110A
- ③ Reflector PL50A
- ④ Reflector PL40A
- ⑤ Reflector PL30A
- ⑥ Reflector PL20A
- ⑦ Reflective tape Diamond Grade

Dimensional drawing (Dimensions in mm (inch))

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- ① Optical axis
- ② LED indicator yellow: Status of received light beam
- ③ LED indicator green: Supply voltage active
- ④ M4 threaded mounting hole, 4 mm deep
- ⑤ Mounting hole, Ø 4.2 mm
- ⑥ Sensitivity control: potentiometer
- ⑦ Connection

## Recommended accessories

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|                                                                                   | Brief description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Type               | Part no. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| Mounting brackets and plates                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                    |          |
|  | Universal mounting bracket for reflectors, steel, zinc coated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | BEF-WN-REFX        | 2064574  |
| Plug connectors and cables                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                    |          |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Connection type head A:</b> Female connector, M12, 4-pin, straight, A-coded</li> <li>• <b>Connection type head B:</b> Flying leads</li> <li>• <b>Signal type:</b> Sensor/actuator cable</li> <li>• <b>Cable:</b> 5 m, 4-wire, PVC</li> <li>• <b>Description:</b> Sensor/actuator cable, unshielded</li> <li>• <b>Application:</b> Zones with chemicals</li> </ul> | YF2A14-050VB3XLEAX | 2096235  |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Connection type head A:</b> Male connector, M12, 4-pin, straight</li> <li>• <b>Description:</b> Unshielded</li> <li>• <b>Connection systems:</b> Screw-type terminals</li> <li>• <b>Permitted cross-section:</b> ≤ 0.75 mm²</li> </ul>                                                                                                                            | STE-1204-G         | 6009932  |
| Reflectors                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                    |          |
|  | Rectangular, screw connection, 18 mm x 60 mm, PMMA/ABS, Screw-on, 2 hole mounting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | PL20A              | 1012719  |

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