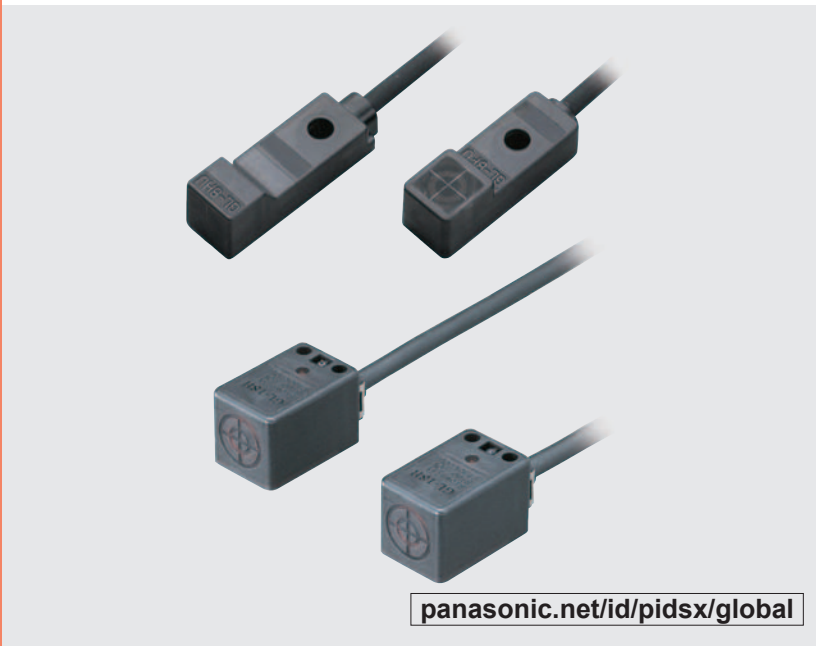


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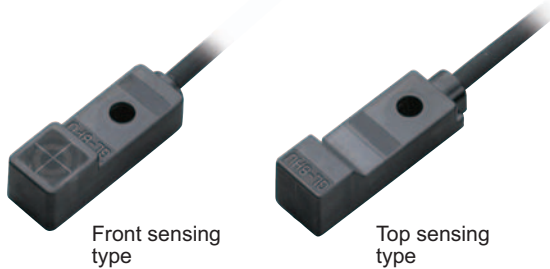
- 2-wire type available
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- Oil resistant
- Different freq. type available

## Wide variety, high performance in surprisingly small body at low cost

### VARIETIES

#### Wide variation

A wide variety of 46 models, front sensing type / top sensing type, normally open type / normally closed type, as well as, different frequency type, etc., is available.



Front sensing type

Top sensing type

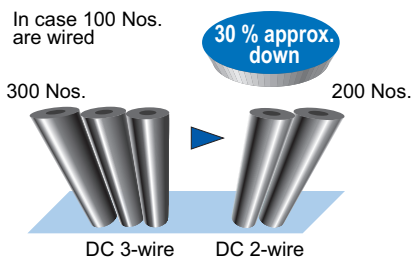
#### Close mounting

Two sensors can be mounted close together because different frequency type are available.

(The **GL-18HL** type can be mounted with a space of 20 mm **0.787 in** between the two sensors.)

#### Energy-efficient and wire-saving **DC 2-wire type**

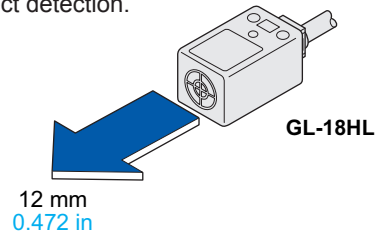
Its electric current consumption is just 0.8 mA or less and the wiring workload is reduced by about 30 %.



### BASIC PERFORMANCE

#### Long sensing range

**GL-18HL** type offers a long sensing range of 12 mm **0.472 in**. Small variations in the positions of the sensing objects do not affect detection.



### ENVIRONMENTAL RESISTANCE

#### Protection structure IP67G

**GL-18H/18HL** type are resistant to oil and have a protection structure IP67G. (**GL-8U** type: IP67)

### FUNCTIONS

#### Operation indicator

The **GL** series incorporates an operation indicator (orange, **GL-18H/18HL** type: red) for operation check.

### OTHERS

#### Low price

The **GL** series satisfies the need for a low price inductive proximity sensor. It is recommended to large volume users for cost reduction.

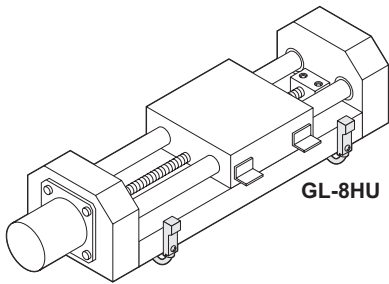
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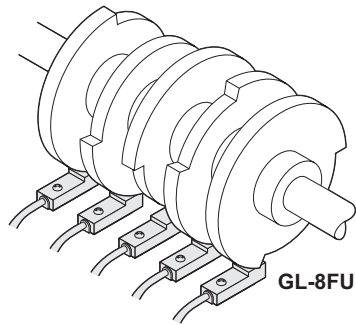
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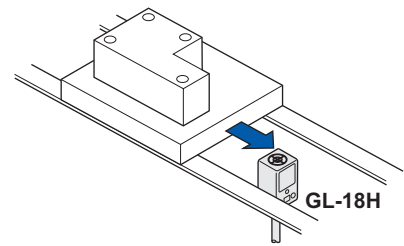
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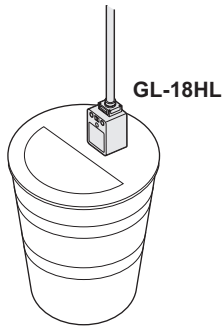
**Detecting cam position**



**Positioning metal pallet**



**Detecting aluminum lid**



**ORDER GUIDE**

**GL-8U type**

Type	Appearance (mm in)	Sensing range (Note 1)	Model No. (Note 2)	Output	Output operation
DC 2-wire	Front sensing 	Maximum operation distance 2.5 mm 0.098 in Stable sensing range (0 to 1.8 mm 0 to 0.071 in)	GL-8FU×10	Non-contact DC 2-wire type	Normally open
			GL-8FUI×10		Normally closed
	Top sensing 		GL-8FUB×10		Normally open
			GL-8FU×10		Normally closed
			GL-8HUI×10		Normally open
			GL-8HUB×10		Normally closed

Notes: 1) The maximum operation distance stands for the maximum distance for which the sensor can detect the standard sensing object. The stable sensing range stands for the sensing range for which the sensor can stably detect the standard sensing object even if there is an ambient temperature drift and/or supply voltage fluctuation.  
 2) "I" in the model No. indicates a different frequency type.

**NOTE: GL-8U type is available in units of ten.**

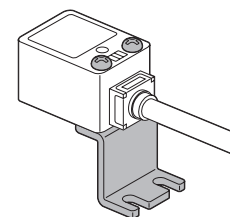
**GL-18H/18HL type**

Type	Appearance (mm in)	Sensing range (Note)	Model No.	Output	Output operation
Standard		Maximum operation distance 5 mm 0.197 in Stable sensing range (0 to 4 mm 0 to 0.157 in)	GL-18H	NPN open-collector transistor	Normally open
			GL-18HI		Normally closed
			GL-18HB		Normally open
Long sensing range		Maximum operation distance 12 mm 0.472 in Stable sensing range (0 to 10 mm 0 to 0.394 in)	GL-18HL		Normally open
			GL-18HLI		Normally open
			GL-18HLB		Normally closed

Note: The maximum operation distance stands for the maximum distance for which the sensor can detect the standard sensing object. The stable sensing range stands for the sensing range for which the sensor can stably detect the standard sensing object even if there is an ambient temperature drift and/or supply voltage fluctuation.

**Accessory**

- MS-GL18HL (Sensor mounting bracket for GL-18HL type)



Two M3 (length 25 mm 0.948 in) pan head screws are attached.

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### 5 m 16.404 ft cable length type

5 m 16.404 ft cable length type (standard: 1m 3.281 ft) is also available for **GL-8U** type (different frequency of normally open type: excluding the type with the model No. having the suffix "IB").  
When ordering this type, suffix "-C5" to the model No.  
(e.g.) 5 m 16.404 ft cable length type of **GL-8FUB×10** is "**GL-8FUB-C5×10**".

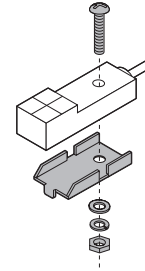
**NOTE: GL-8U type are available in units of ten.**

## OPTIONS

Designation	Model No.	Description
Sensor mounting bracket	<b>MS-GL8×10</b>	Sensor mounting bracket for <b>GL-8U</b> type.

**NOTE: Sensor mounting bracket (MS-GL8×10) is available in units of ten.**

### Sensor mounting bracket • MS-GL8×10



1 pc. each of M3 (length 12 mm 0.472 in) truss head screw, nut, spring washer and plain washer is attached.

## SPECIFICATIONS

### GL-8U type

Item	Model No.	Type	DC 2-wire type			
			Front sensing		Top sensing	
			<b>GL-8FU×10</b>	<b>GL-8FUB×10</b>	<b>GL-8HU×10</b>	<b>GL-8HUB×10</b>
		Different frequency	<b>GL-8FUI×10</b>	<b>GL-8FUIB×10</b>	<b>GL-8HUI×10</b>	<b>GL-8HUIB×10</b>
Max. operation distance (Note 2)		2.5 mm <b>0.098 in</b> ±20 %				
Stable sensing range (Note 2)		0 to 1.8 mm <b>0 to 0.071 in</b>				
Standard sensing object		Iron sheet 15 × 15 × t 1 mm <b>0.591 × 0.591 × t 0.039 in</b>				
Hysteresis		20 % or less of operation distance (with standard sensing object)				
Supply voltage		12 to 24 V DC ±10 % Ripple P-P 10 % or less				
Current consumption		0.8 mA or less (Note 3)				
Output		Non-contact DC 2-wire type • Load current: 3 to 70 mA (Note 4) • Residual voltage: 3 V or less (Note 5)				
Utilization category		DC-12 or DC-13				
Output operation		Normally open	Normally closed	Normally open	Normally closed	
Short-circuit protection		Incorporated				
Max. response frequency		1kHz				
Operation indicator		Orange LED (lights up when the output is ON)				
Environmental resistance	Pollution degree	3 (Industrial environment)				
	Protection	IP67 (IEC)				
	Ambient temperature	-25 to +70 °C <b>-13 to +158 °F</b> , Storage: -30 to +80 °C <b>-22 to +176 °F</b>				
	Ambient humidity	35 to 95 % RH, Storage: 35 to 95 % RH				
	EMC	EN 60947-5-2				
	Voltage withstandability	1,000 V AC for one min. between all supply terminals connected together and enclosure				
	Insulation resistance	50 MΩ, or more, with 250 V DC megger between all supply terminals connected together and enclosure				
Environmental resistance	Vibration resistance	10 to 55 Hz frequency, 1.5 mm <b>0.059 in</b> amplitude in X, Y and Z directions for two hours each				
	Shock resistance	1,000 m/s <sup>2</sup> acceleration (100 G approx.) in X, Y and Z directions for three times each				
	Sensing range variation	Temperature characteristics	Over ambient temperature range -25 to +70 °C <b>-13 to +158 °F</b> : within <sup>+10</sup> / <sub>-15</sub> % of sensing range at +20 °C <b>+68 °F</b>			
	Voltage characteristics	Within ±2 % for ±10 % fluctuation of the supply voltage				
Material		Enclosure: Polyallylate				
Cable		0.15 mm <sup>2</sup> 2-core cabtyre cable, 1 m <b>3.281 ft</b> long				
Cable extension		Extension up to total 50 m <b>164.042 ft</b> is possible with 0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> , or more, cable.				
Weight		Net weight : 12 g approx.				

- Notes: 1) Where measurement conditions have not been specified precisely, the conditions used were an ambient temperature of +23 °C **+73.4 °F**.  
 2) The maximum operation distance stands for the maximum distance for which the sensor can detect the standard sensing object.  
 The stable sensing range stands for the sensing range for which the sensor can stably detect the standard sensing object even if there is an ambient temperature drift and/or supply voltage fluctuation.  
 3) It is the leakage current when the output is in the OFF state.  
 4) The maximum load current varies depending on the ambient temperature. Refer to "**I/O CIRCUIT AND WIRING DIAGRAMS** (p.837)" for more details.  
 5) When the cable is extended, the residual voltage becomes larger according to the resistance of the cable.

**SPECIFICATIONS****GL-18H/18HL type**

Item	Type Model No.	Standard			Long sensing range		
		Different frequency			Different frequency		
		<b>GL-18H</b>	<b>GL-18HI</b>	<b>GL-18HB</b>	<b>GL-18HL</b>	<b>GL-18HLI</b>	<b>GL-18HLB</b>
Max. operation distance (Note 2)		5 mm <b>0.197 in</b> ±10 %			12 mm <b>0.472 in</b> ±10 %		
Stable sensing range (Note 2)		0 to 4 mm <b>0 to 0.157 in</b>			0 to 10 mm <b>0 to 0.394 in</b>		
Standard sensing object		Iron sheet 25 × 25 × t 1 mm <b>0.984 × 0.984 × t 0.039 in</b>			Iron sheet 40 × 40 × t 1 mm <b>1.575 × 1.575 × t 0.039 in</b>		
Hysteresis		15 % or less of operation distance (with standard sensing object)					
Supply voltage		10 to 30 V DC Ripple P-P 10 % or less					
Current consumption		10 mA or less					
Output		NPN open-collector transistor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum sink current: 100 mA</li> <li>• Applied voltage: 30 V DC or less (between output and 0 V)</li> <li>• Residual voltage: 1.5 V or less (at 100 mA sink current) 0.4 V or less (at 16 mA sink current)</li> </ul>					
	Utilization category	DC-12 or DC-13					
	Output operation	Normally open		Normally closed		Normally open	Normally closed
Max. response frequency		1kHz			500Hz		
Operation indicator		Red LED (lights up when the output is ON)					
Environmental resistance	Pollution degree	3 (Industrial environment)					
	Protection	IP67 (IEC), IP67G (Note 3)					
	Ambient temperature	-25 to +70 °C <b>-13 to +158 °F</b> , Storage: -25 to +70 °C <b>-13 to +158 °F</b>					
	Ambient humidity	45 to 85 % RH, Storage: 45 to 85 % RH					
	EMC	EN 60947-5-2					
	Voltage withstandability	1,000 V AC for one min. between all supply terminals connected together and enclosure					
	Insulation resistance	50 MΩ, or more, with 250 V DC megger between all supply terminals connected together and enclosure					
	Vibration resistance	10 to 55 Hz frequency, 1.5 mm <b>0.059 in</b> amplitude in X, Y and Z directions for two hours each					
Shock resistance	1,000 m/s <sup>2</sup> acceleration (100 G approx.) in X, Y and Z directions for three times each						
Sensing range variation	Temperature characteristics	Over ambient temperature range -25 to +70 °C <b>-13 to +158 °F</b> : within ±10 % of sensing range at +20 °C <b>+68 °F</b>					
	Voltage characteristics	Within ±2 % for ±10 % fluctuation of the supply voltage					
Material		Enclosure: Polyallylate					
Cable		0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> 3-core oil resistant cabtyre cable, 1 m <b>3.281 ft</b> long					
Cable extension		Extension up to total 100 m <b>328.084 ft</b> is possible with 0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> , or more, cable.					
Weight		Net weight : 45 g approx.					
Accessory		<b>MS-GL18HL</b> (Sensor mounting bracket): 1 set					

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3) If using the sensor in an environment where cutting oil droplets splatter, the sensor may be deteriorated due to added substances in the oil.  
Please check the resistivity of the sensor against the cutting oil you are using beforehand.

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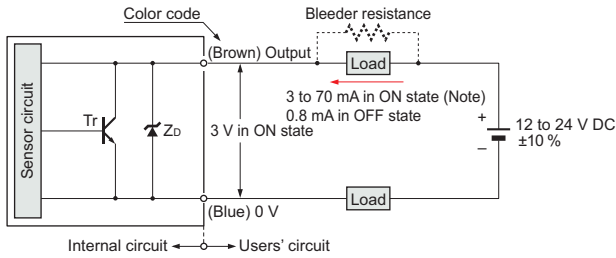
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## I/O CIRCUIT AND WIRING DIAGRAMS

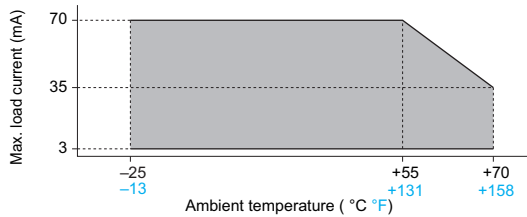
### DC 2-wire type

#### GL-8U type

##### I/O circuit diagram

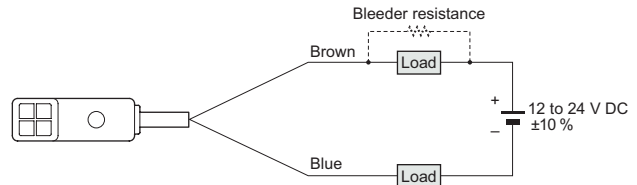


Note: The maximum load current varies depending on the ambient temperature.



Symbols ... ZD: Surge absorption zener diode  
Tr: NPN output transistor

##### Wiring diagram



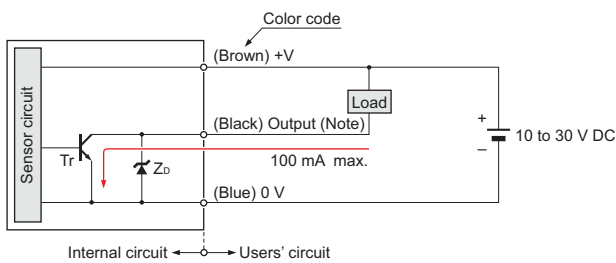
##### Conditions for the load

- 1) The load should not be actuated by the leakage current (0.8 mA) in the OFF state.
- 2) The load should be actuated by (supply voltage – 3 V) in the ON state.
- 3) The current in the ON state should be between 3 to 70 mA DC.  
[ In case the current is less than 3 mA, connect a bleeder resistance in parallel to the load so that a current of 3 mA, or more, flows. ]

### NPN output type

#### GL-18H/18HL type

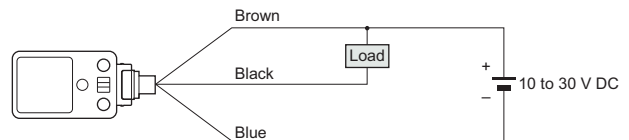
##### I/O circuit diagram



Note: Please carry out the wiring carefully since protection circuit against reverse power supply connection is not incorporated. Further, the output does not incorporate a short-circuit protection circuit. Do not connect it directly to a power supply or a capacitive load.

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##### Wiring diagram

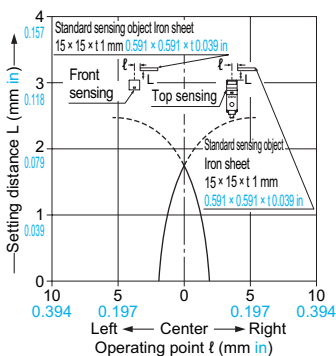


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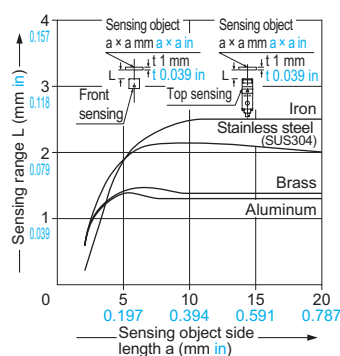
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### GL-8U type

#### Sensing field



#### Correlation between sensing object size and sensing range



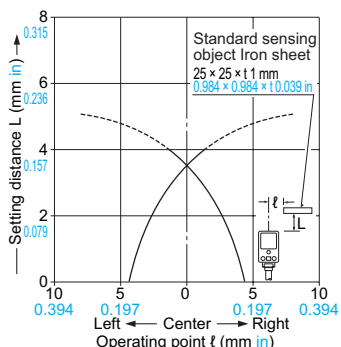
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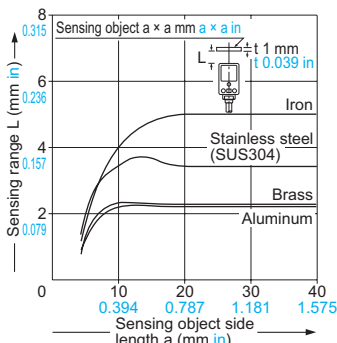
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### GL-18H type

#### Sensing field



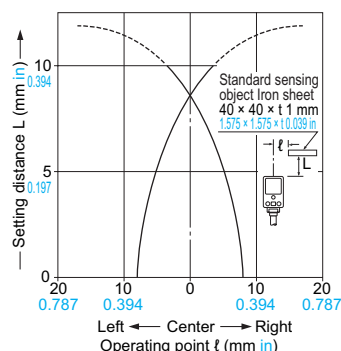
#### Correlation between sensing object size and sensing range



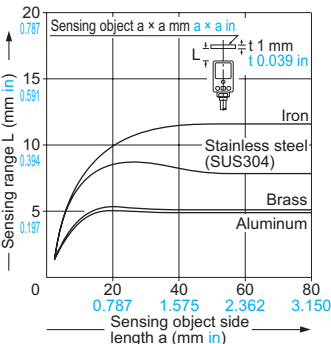
As the sensing object size becomes smaller than the standard size (iron sheet 25 × 25 × t 1 mm 0.984 × 0.984 × t 0.039 in), the sensing range shortens as shown in the left figure.

### GL-18HL type

#### Sensing field



#### Correlation between sensing object size and sensing range



As the sensing object size becomes smaller than the standard size (iron sheet 40 × 40 × t 1 mm 1.575 × 1.575 × t 0.039 in), the sensing range shortens as shown in the left figure.

## PRECAUTIONS FOR PROPER USE

Refer to p.1485~ for general precautions.



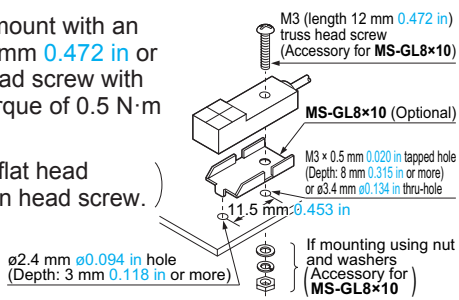
- Never use this product as a sensing device for personnel protection.
- In case of using sensing devices for personnel protection, use products which meet laws and standards, such as OSHA, ANSI or IEC etc., for personnel protection applicable in each region or country.

### Mounting

#### GL-8U type

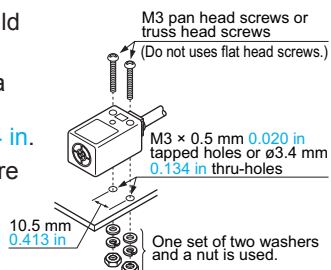
- Make sure to mount with an M3 (length 12 mm 0.472 in or more) truss head screw with a tightening torque of 0.5 N·m or less.

(Do not use a flat head screw or a pan head screw.)



#### GL-18H/18HL type

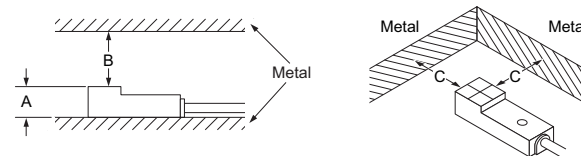
- The tightening torque should be 0.5 N·m or less.
- To mount the sensor with a nut, the thru-hole diameter should be  $\varnothing 3.4$  mm  $\varnothing 0.134$  in.
- Screws, nuts or washers are not supplied. Please arrange them separately.



### Influence of surrounding metal

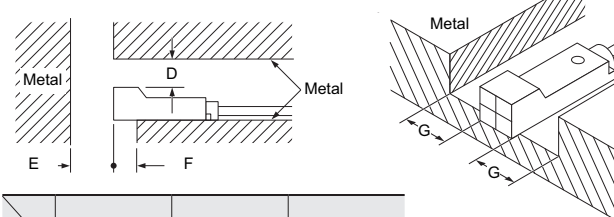
- When there is a metal near the sensor, keep the minimum separation distance specified below.

#### Front sensing type



	GL-8FU $\square$ ×10
A	7.4 mm 0.291 in
B	8 mm 0.315 in
C	3 mm 0.118 in

#### Top sensing type, GL-18H/18HL type



	GL-8HU $\square$ ×10	GL-18H $\square$	GL-18HL $\square$
D	3 mm 0.118 in	5 mm 0.197 in	25 mm 0.984 in
E	10 mm 0.394 in	20 mm 0.787 in	60 mm 2.362 in
F	3 mm 0.118 in	0 mm 0 in	20 mm 0.787 in (Note)
G	3 mm 0.118 in	5 mm 0.197 in	30 mm 1.181 in

Note: When mounting the GL-18HL $\square$  to an insulator or using the attached sensor mounting bracket, "F" becomes 0 mm 0 in.

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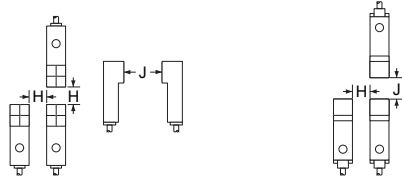
Refer to p.1485~ for general precautions.

### Mutual interference prevention

- When two or more sensors are installed in parallel or face to face, keep the minimum separation distance specified below to avoid mutual interference.

#### Front sensing type

#### Top sensing type GL-18H/18HL type



		H	J
<b>GL-8FU</b> □×10	Between "I" type and non "I" type.	0 mm (Note 2) 0 in	15 mm 0.591 in
	Between two "I" types or two non "I" types.	20 mm 0.787 in	40 mm 1.575 in
<b>GL-8HU</b> □×10	Between "I" type and non "I" type.	0 mm (Note 2) 0 in	15 mm 0.591 in
	Between two "I" types or two non "I" types.	25 mm 0.984 in	40 mm 1.575 in
<b>GL-18H</b> type	Between "I" type and non "I" type.	0 mm (Note 2) 0 in	20 mm 0.787 in
	Between two "I" types or two non "I" types.	40 mm 1.575 in	70 mm 2.756 in
<b>GL-18HL</b> type	Between "I" type and non "I" type.	20 mm 0.787 in	40 mm 1.575 in
	Between two "I" types or two non "I" types.	130 mm 5.118 in	200 mm 7.874 in

Notes: 1) "I" in the model No. specifies the different frequency type.  
 2) Close mounting is possible for up to two sensors. When mounting three sensors or more at an equal spacing, align the model with "I" and the model without "I" alternately.  
 The minimum value of dimension "H" should be as given below.  
**GL-8FU**□×10: 6 mm **0.236 in**  
**GL-8HU**□×10: 8.5 mm **0.335 in**  
**GL-18H** type: 11 mm **0.433 in**

### Sensing range

- The sensing range is specified for the standard sensing object.  
 With a non-ferrous metal, the sensing range is obtained by multiplying with the correction coefficient specified below.  
 Further, the sensing range also changes if the sensing object is smaller than the standard sensing object or if the sensing object is plated.

#### Correction coefficient

	GL-8U type	GL-18H type	GL-18HL type
Iron	1	1	1
Stainless steel (SUS304)	0.80 approx.	0.68 approx.	0.65 approx.
Brass	0.54 approx.	0.45 approx.	0.42 approx.
Aluminum	0.52 approx.	0.43 approx.	0.41 approx.

### Wiring

- Please carry out the wiring carefully since protection circuit against reverse power supply connection is not incorporated. (Excluding **GL-8U** type)
- The output does not incorporate a short-circuit protection circuit. Do not connect it directly to a power supply or a capacitive load. (Excluding **GL-8U** type)
- Make sure that the power supply is off while wiring.
- Verify that the supply voltage variation is within the rating.
- If power is supplied from a commercial switching regulator, ensure that the frame ground (F.G.) terminal of the power supply is connected to an actual ground.
- In case noise generating equipment (switching regulator, inverter motor, etc.) is used in the vicinity of this sensor, connect the frame ground (F.G.) terminal of the equipment to an actual ground.
- Do not run the wires together with high-voltage lines or power lines or put them in the same raceway. This can cause malfunction due to induction.

### Others

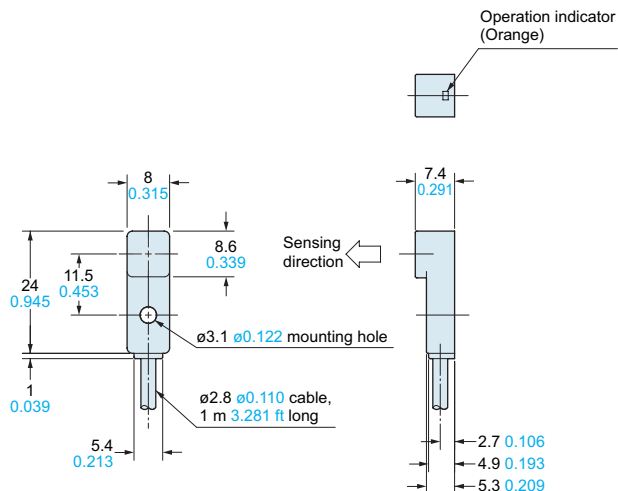
- Do not use during the initial transient time (50ms) after the power supply is switched on.
- Take care that the sensor does not come in direct contact with oil, grease, or organic solvents, such as, thinner, etc.
- Make sure that the sensing end is not covered with metal dust, scrap or spatter. It will result in malfunction.

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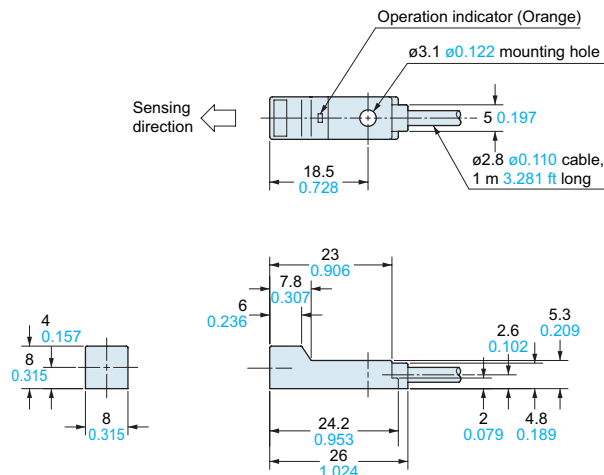
**DIMENSIONS (Unit: mm in)**

The CAD data in the dimensions can be downloaded from our website.

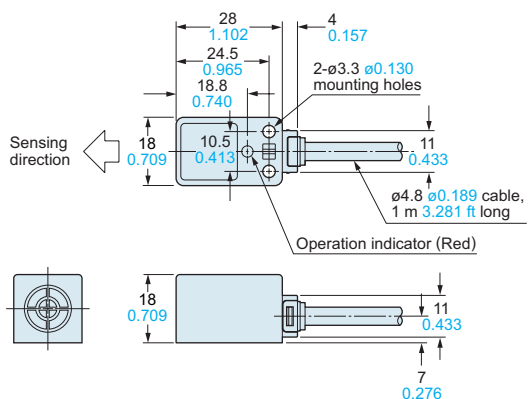
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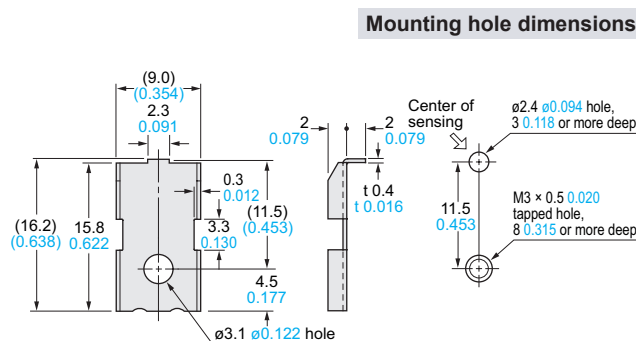
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**GL-18H□ GL-18HL□** Sensor

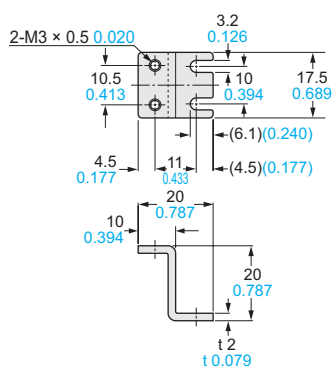


**MS-GL8×10** Sensor mounting bracket for GL-8U type (Optional)



Material: Stainless steel (SUS304)  
1 pc. each of M3 (length 12 mm 0.472 in) truss head screw, nut, spring washer and plain washer is attached.

**MS-GL18HL** Sensor mounting bracket for GL-18HL type (Accessory)



Material: Aluminum  
Two M3 (length 25 mm 0.984 in) pan head screws are attached.

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