Radar Sensor Solutions









Radar Sensing

The ultimate outdoor sensing solution

Benefits of Radar Sensing

Resistant to wind, rain, snow, fog, and sunlight



Long sensing range No moving parts, durable, less downtime



Operates with a wide temperature range to function in extreme environments



Detects moving and stationary objects





Operating Frequency

Different radar frequencies affect not only the range of the sensor but also what materials it can detect. 24 GHz radar has a long range and ignores ambient weather like heavy rain or snow. However, its detection is limited to stronger radar targets. 122 GHz radar provides greatly increased accuracy and can see a much wider range of materials compared to 24 GHz. 60 GHz conveniently falls between 24 GHz and 122 GHz in terms of performance. It has remarkable resistance to ambient weather and can detect a similar range of materials to 122 GHz with a better accuracy than 24 GHz.

		High Dielec	tric			Low	Dielectric
		metal	water	rock	glass	plastics	wood
	24 GHz	Good Detec	tion Weal	< Detection		No	Detection
	60 GHz	Good Detec	tion			Weak	Detection
	122 GHz	Good Detec	tion			Weak	Detection

Metal, water, and other high-dielectric materials provide a stronger return signal than plastic, wood, or other organic materials.

Beam Pattern Considerations

Radar sensors are available in narrow and wide beam patterns. Narrow beam patterns avoid false detection of objects outside of the region of interest and allow for a more precise measurement. Wide beam patterns provide coverage of larger areas and provide more reliable detection of irregular surfaces and targets presented at steep angles.

Narrow Beam Applications

- Drive-thru
- Gantry crane
- Overhead crane Loading docks Tank level

Wide Beam Applications

- · Mobile equipment collision avoidance
- · Vehicle detection: trains, cars, boats



Adjustable-Field (Diffuse) and Retroreflective Radar Sensors



An adjustable-field radar sensor can detect vehicles and other objects by sensing the reflection of the radio waves bouncing off the object.



A retroreflective radar sensor uses a taught reference condition like a wall, floor, or special retroreflective target. The sensor detects objects between it and the reference target by looking for disruptions in the signal coming back from the reference target.

Retroreflective sensing has the most reliable detection with no dead zone. The output will turn on even if the object being sensed does not reflect the signal back to the sensor, as long as it blocks or disrupts the signal from the reference target.

Configuration

DIP Switch Configuration

- Easy to set up
- No PC required





GUI Configuration

- Clear visual of the entire sensor view for setup and troubleshooting
- · Tamper-proof



Remote Teach

- Remotely configure sensor
- · No manual interaction required



IO-Link

- · Read and change device remotely
- Dynamically change parameters





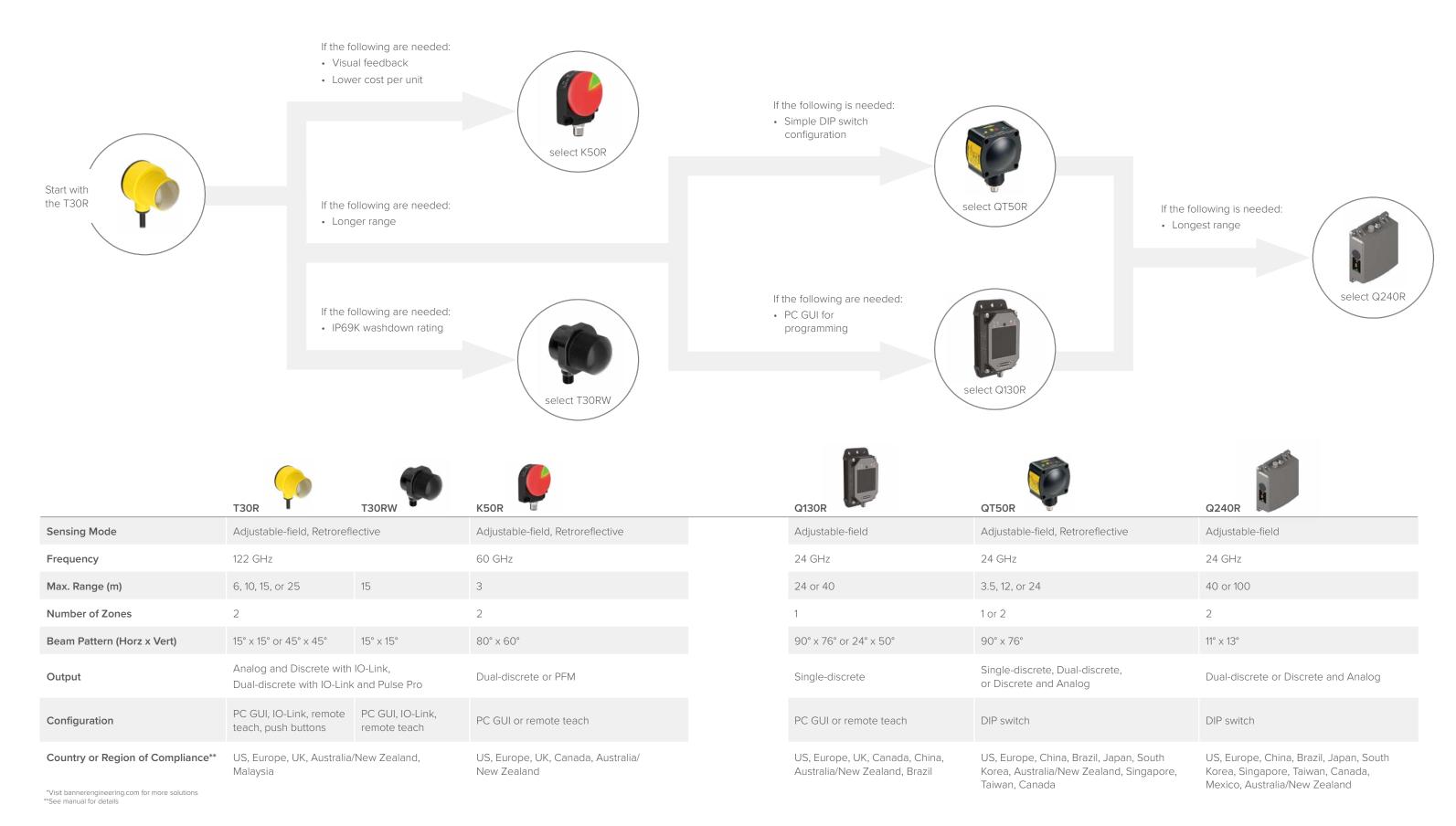
- Simple configuration
- · Click and teach







Choosing a Banner Radar Sensor



Vehicle Detection

Radar sensors use Frequency Modulated Continuous Wave (FMCW) technology to reliably detect targets, including cranes, cars, trains, trucks, and cargo in extreme weather conditions. FMCW radar is an ideal solution for these applications because it can detect moving and stationary objects in all weather conditions.

The ability to reliably detect vehicles offers significant advantages for asset management, resource allocation, site safety, traffic control, and loading-dock monitoring. Application needs and deployment requirements can be diverse, ranging from indoor, outdoor, and partially protected ones.



Boats on Waterways, Locks, and Dams: Shipyard Logistics



Challenge

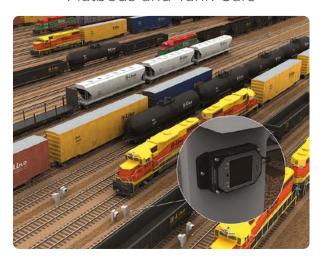
To establish and maintain an efficient operating routine, all vessel traffic must be monitored as it enters and exits ports. Ship detection can be difficult because of local wind and wave conditions, ship size/type, and closerange noise. Sensing solutions must accurately detect a ship's arrival.

Solution

- The Q130R radar sensor functions are unaffected by wind, rain, fog, light, humidity, and air temperature, making it ideal for outdoor harbor conditions
- The radar sensor detects objects up to a specified distance, ignoring objects and backgrounds beyond the set point, allowing for accurate ship detection

DIP Switches Configurable

Train Detection Including Flatbeds and Tank Cars



Challenge

Railways present many difficulties for sensing equipment. The harsh and dirty environment is extra challenging. Passing trains create high winds and kick up dirt. Proper identification of the content on cargo trains is essential. Radar sensors detect container trains to activate RFID antennas.

Solution

- The Q130R radar sensor is an effective alternative to ultrasonic or photoelectric sensors
- Radar technology is unaffected by wind or by dust and dirt buildup on the sensor
- FMCW radar can detect both stationary and moving targets, making it a more reliable solution than doppler radar







Resistant to Weather

Loading Dock Monitoring, Vehicle Counting



Challenge

For an efficient flow of products in and out of a truck, it is important that operators are immediately notified of a truck's arrival. In order to accurately detect the presence of vehicles at a loading dock, a reliable sensor is needed to withstand extreme weather conditions.

Solution

- The T30R can be set up as a retroreflective sensor to provide the most reliable detection with no dead zone
- Compact housing for simple installation

Detecting Parking Spot Availability in a Public Ramp



Challenge

Drivers entering major multi-level parking structures often struggle to find open parking spaces. To improve efficiency, a method is needed to inform them of real-time parking availability and guide them to the appropriate open spaces.

Solution

- Placing a K50R sensor above each parking space, provides an accurate method for counting the number of occupied or available parking spaces, and presenting that data to incoming drivers
- K50R sensors can be placed in ramps that are exposed to outdoor air and varying temperatures
- K50R Pro sensors feature RGB LEDs, which can be set to illuminate red or green depending on the availability (or lack of availability) of a given space
- Radar sensors provide a cost-competitive alternative to other parking-spot-sensing systems







Vehicle Detection (continued)



Car Wash



Challenge

Reliably detecting a vehicle in a car wash can be problematic. Steam, fog, water spray, and temperature changes are challenging for some types of sensors.

Solution

- The T30RW uses radio waves to reliably detect the vehicle, ignoring fog, steam and water
- The IP67, IP69K-rated housing dependably operates in the most harsh environments
- Superior temperature stability provides consistent measurements even during extreme temperature swings

Electric Vehicle Charging



Challenge

Shared electric vehicle services require a method to keep unauthorized non-electric vehicles from parking at charging stations, which are generally located in outdoor public places.

Solution

- A K50R radar sensor installed inside a charging station can detect the presence of a vehicle parked at that station, at any time of day and in any weather condition
- If a parked vehicle is detected but not plugged in for charging, a signal is sent to a central location, alerting authorities so that the vehicle can be removed
- Because the K50R has a short operating range with a maximum distance of 2.5 meters, it can safely ignore irrelevant targets outside of the parking area
- The sensor can be housed within the body of typical charging stations to prevent potential vandalism



Ignore Certain Materials within Dead Zone

Positioning Feedback

Precise positioning of industrial equipment is important to prevent damage and reduce downtime, but challenging environmental conditions including rain, snow, fog, sun, and wind can make it difficult for operators to see and can have an impact on the reliability of other sensor technology. Banner radar devices provide reliable outdoor performance and the 122 GHz models provide the accurate measurements and short deadzones often required for these applications. Dual discrete outputs are available for slow and stop positions for port equipment, such as reach stackers and container handlers. Analog and IO-Link options are also available for absolute distance measurement values to guide the approach of ground support equipment, such as baggage handlers or de-icing vehicles.

Reach Stacker



Challenge

At large ports, shipping containers need to be quickly and safely moved from one place to another. Because of this speed, lifting equipment often collides with containers, resulting in lost time and damaged goods and equipment.

Solution

- The T30R with dual discrete outputs can provide collision protection with safe speed and stop positions
- The robust IP67-rated housing and radar beam is ideal for working outdoors

Ground Support Equipment

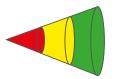


Challenge

Damaging an airplane results in expensive repairs and disruptive delays, as any contact with the aircraft requires it to be pulled from service for inspection. New standards are requiring ground support equipment such as baggage handlers to be equipped with collisionavoidance sensors such as the T3OR.

Solution

- The T30R measures the distance of ground support equipment from the aircraft and signals an alert when it reaches a programmed distance to prevent collisions
- The T30R's 45° beam pattern reliably detects curved surfaces, such as the body of an airplane
- Radar sensors are resistant to ambient weather and temperature changes



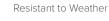
Dual Zone



Precise Detection



Wide Beam Radar Sensors



Collision Avoidance

In many industries including ports, mining, and agriculture, mobile equipment is a large investment, and damage to that equipment results in downtime and requires costly repair or replacement. Banner Engineering's radar sensors are the perfect rugged solution for collision avoidance, even in harsh outdoor conditions. Sensing functions are unaffected by wind, rain or snow, fog, sunlight, humidity, and fluctuating air temperatures. The sensors also utilize a robust steady-state design that is more durable than laser products with moving parts.



(Indoor) Overhead Crane in Dusty or Harsh Environments



Challenge

Detection from cranes to prevent collision during operation can be extra challenging in dusty or harsh environments.

Solution

- The narrow beam Q240R is used to avoid the roof and other indoor obstacles
- Radar works in dusty environments where laser products are not as reliable
- It has no moving parts, and its rugged design resists high-shock and vibration conditions, making it a more reliable solution than tradition laser scanners

Collision Avoidance



Challenge

Collision avoidance solutions for mining equipment minimize the risk of accidents, save costs, and improve efficiency. Poor visibility, blind spots, dust and debris, and ambient weather conditions can reduce the effectiveness of collision-avoidance measures.

Solution

- Q130RA radar sensors are installed at the front and rear of mining vehicles and provide active object detection in vehicle blind spots
- The Q130RA is unaffected by dirt, dust, wind, rain, and other environmental challenges
- The IP67-rated housing ensures reliable operation even in harsh conditions



PC GUI Configuration

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Narrow Beam Radar Sensors

Crane-to-Crane Proximity Detection



Challenge

When multiple cranes are moving in tight spaces, it's imperative to ignore adjacent shipping containers while reliably detecting the presence of another crane or obstacle to activate stop or warning signals for the operator.

Solution

- The Q240R radar sensor features a very narrow 11° by 13° beam pattern, which is ideal for monitoring a specific area without detecting adjacent objects
- With two independent, adjustable sensing zones, the sensor provides far and near proximity warning signs with the capability to detect objects up to 100 m away
- Extremely robust; provides reliable detection capabilities, which are ideal for outdoor applications

RTG Collision Avoidance



Challenge

Rubber tire gantry cranes (RTG) are used in port and mobile equipment industries to transport heavy and cumbersome loads. Since RTG cranes are hauling such large loads, it is vital to ensure they move safely throughout the port area to avoid collisions.

Solution

- The Q120R radar sensor has a narrow beam pattern, high sensitivity, and long-range detection to view obstacles in the way of the crane
- The sensor has no moving parts, and its rugged design resists high-shock and vibration conditions better than laser scanners



Dual Zone



No Moving Parts

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Tank-Level Monitoring

Storage tanks, totes, and containers can be found in a wide variety of environments, from indoor or outdoor installations to above or below ground deployments. Properly monitoring and managing levels inside these tanks can help owners and asset managers increase productivity and profitability.

Plastic Tank Level

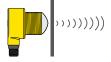


Challenge

Mounting a sensor inside a tank is often impractical, and it is not an ideal setup if direct contact with a liquid substance could damage or negatively affect the sensor.

Solution

- Easily installed outside the tank with the SMBT30RTM tank bracket
- The high-frequency radio wave signal penetrates through the plastic container wall down to the liquid's surface.



Ignore Certain Materials within Dead Zone

Quench Tank Level



Challenge

When die-cast metal parts are hardened in a quench tank, the liquid level must be refilled to ensure that the parts are completely submerged. Ultrasonic and photoelectric sensors would not be effective for tank-level measurement because the process releases large amounts of steam.

Solution

- The T30R Near Range sensor uses radar to detect targets, which is effective even in the presence of steam that obscures the visibility of liquid levels
- The T30R series also excels in the presence of moisture, and it features an IP67-rated housing to protect electronic components in wet environments
- Accurate liquid level readings are especially crucial for smaller quench tanks; fortunately, the Near Range T30R features improved performance at close range, compared to the standard T30R, and a short dead zone of only 100 mm



Precise Measurement

Radar Configuration Software Overview

The Banner Radar Configuration Software and Pro-Kit with Converter Cable allow for easy setup and configuration of range, sensitivity, and output.

- Get up and running in three easy steps: simply set the switch point distance, signal strength threshold, and response time using the intuitive configuration software. Now the radar sensor is ready to begin detecting targets.
- Easily monitor status via the software or bright on-board LED indicators.
- · Visualize the application in real-time.
- Make adjustments to settings on the fly.





T30R Series

Bridges the Gap Between Radar and Ultrasonics

- Operates at 122 GHz with two independent, adjustable sensing zones, which enables higher-precision measurements with a narrow or wide beam pattern up to 15 meters away
- Compact, rugged IP67-rated housing for operation in harsh environments
- Detects a wider range of targets than traditional 24 GHz radar, including high-dielectric materials like metal and lower-dielectric materials like wood, rock, or organic material
- Dual discrete outputs for slow and stop positions or analog and IO-Link for absolute measurement values
- Radar configuration software, IO-Link, remote teach, and push buttons for flexible setup
- Pulse Pro output to connect to a Banner light for direct visual feedback with no external controller

Beam Pattern	Linearity	Detection Range	Telecom Approval	Output	Model
	< ±20 mm at < 500 mm < ±4 mm > 500 mm	0.15–15 m	US, Europe, UK, Australia/ New Zealand,	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable) with IO-Link and Pulse Pro	T30R-1515-KDQ
15° × 15°				1 Analog (4—20 mA) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-1515-KIQ
			Malaysia	1 Analog (0–10 V) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-1515-KUQ
	< ±4 mm < ±20 mm at < 500 mm < ±4 mm > 500 mm	0.1–6 m 0.15–25 m	US, Europe, UK, Australia/ New Zealand, Malaysia	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable) with IO-Link and Pulse Pro	T30R-1515-CKDQ
15° x 15°				1 Analog (4—20 mA) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-1515-CKIQ
				1 Analog (0–10 V) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-1515-CKUQ
				2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable) with IO-Link and Pulse Pro	T30R-1515-LKDQ
15° × 15°				1 Analog (4—20 mA) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-1515-LKID
				1 Analog (0–10 V) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-1515-LKUQ
45° x 45°	< ±20 mm at < 500 mm < +4 mm > 500 mm	0.3–10 m	US, Europe, UK, Australia/ New Zealand,	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable) with IO-Link and Pulse Pro	T30R-4545-KDQ
				1 Analog (4—20 mA) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-4545-KIQ
			Malaysia	1 Analog (0–10 V) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30R-4545-KUQ

To order the pigtail QD model, add a "P" to the end of the model number (e.g., T30R-1515-KDQP)

Accessories



smB30A right-angle bracket



mounting slots



SMB30SC split clamp with swivel bracket



swivel bracket
with tilt and pan
movement



SMBT30RTM tank mounting bracket



SAFT30R-PVC-G2 M30 to 2 in. NPT adapter



Required for PC configuration



T30RW Series

Detection and measurement in the harshest environments

- All the benefits of the standard T30R sensor in a more resilient housing
- Compact, robust IP67, IP69K housing
- Polypropylene sleeve on the barrel provides ample chemical resistance
- Radar configuration software, IO-Link, and remote teach for flexible setup
- Pulse Pro output to connect to a Banner light for direct visual feedback with no external controller
- Common tank connection size for simplified installation

Beam Pattern	Barrel Thread Type	Detection Range	Telecom Approval	Output	Model
15° x 15°	M40	140 15 m	US, Europe, UK, Australia/ New Zealand, Malaysia	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable) with IO-Link and Pulse Pro	T30RW-1515-KDQ-M40
				1 Analog (4—20 mA) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30RW-1515-KIQ-M40
				1 Analog (0–10 V) 1 Selectable Discrete (PNP/NPN) with IO-Link	T30RW-1515-KUQ-M40

Accessories







SMBAMS40P flat bracket



PRO-KIT

Required for PC

configuration

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K50R Series

Robust Detection, Industrial Package

- For detection and measurement of moving and stationary targets
- Self contained, all-in-one solution
- Bright, visible indication; available in Pro models with configurable LEDs
- Easy setup and configuration of range, sensitivity, and output using the Banner Radar Configuration Software
- Compact, rugged IP67-rated housing withstands harsh environments
- Performance modes to customize the sensor to the application



Q130RA Series

PC GUI Configurable, Narrow and Wide Beam Sensor

- One adjustable sensing zone to reliably detect moving or stationary objects up to 40 meters away
- Simple setup and precise control with intuitive graphical user interface
- Unaffected by ambient weather, including rain, snow, fog, sunlight, and temperatures
- Rugged IP67-rated housing for dependable long-term operation in harsh environments

Beam Pattern	Range	Туре	Telecom Approval	Output	Model
000 11 000	100 mm-3 m	Standard	US, Europe, UK, Canada, Australia/ New Zealand	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable) with Pulse Pro	K50RF-8060-LDQ
80° x 60°	100 mm-3 m	Pro with Configurable LEDs			K50RPF-8060-LDQ

Beam Pattern	Range	Telecom Approval	Output	Model
90° x 76°	24 m	US, Europe, UK, Canada, China, Australia/New Zealand, Brazil	Bipolar NPN/PNP	Q130RA-9076-AFQ
24° x 50°	40 m	US, Europe, UK, China, Australia/ New Zealand, Brazil	N.O./N.C. Configurable	Q130RA-2450-AFQ

Accessories



pro converter cable

Accessories



SMBWSQ120 rear-mount rain cover



SMBQ240SS1 bracket for ±20° of tilt on one axis



SMBQ240SS2 bracket for ±20° of tilt on second axis



tilt in all directions

SMBQ240SS3 bracket for ±20° of



Q130WS hydrophobic



pro converter coated rain cover





Q240RA Series

Narrowest Beam, Longest Range Sensor

- Reliably detect moving or stationary objects within a narrow beam pattern up to 100 meters away
- Two independent, adjustable sensing zones
- Narrow 11° × 13° beam pattern
- Rugged IP67-rated housing withstands harsh environments

Range	Output	Telecom Approval	Model
40 m		US, UK, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Taiwan	Q240RA-US-AF2Q
	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable)	US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand, Brazil, Japan, Singapore, South Korea	Q240RA-EU-AF2Q
		China	Q240RA-CN-AF2Q
100 m		US, UK, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Taiwan	Q240RA-US-AF2LQ
	2 Discrete (NPN/PNP configurable)	US, UK, Europe, Australia/New Zealand, Brazil, Japan, Singapore, South Korea	Q240RA-EU-AF2LQ
		China	Q240RA-CN-AF2LQ
100 m	1 Analog (0–10 V) and 1 Selectable NPN/PNP	US, UK, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Taiwan	Q240RA-US-ULQ
100 m	1 Angles (4, 20 mgA) and 1 Calcatable NDAI/DND	US, UK, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Taiwan	Q240RA-US-ILQ
	1 Analog (4–20 mA) and 1 Selectable NPN/PNP	US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand, Brazil, Japan, Singapore, South Korea	Q240RA-EU-ILQ

Accessories



SMBQ240SS1
bracket for ±20°
of tilt on one axis



SMBQ240SS2bracket for ±20° of tilt on second axis



SMBQ240SS3 bracket for ±20° of tilt in all directions



Q240WS

hydrophobic

coated rain cover

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QT50R Series

QT50R Series sensors are available in both adjustable-field models, which can use diffuse sensing to detect an object, or in retroreflective models, which use a reference signal retroreflective target, floor, wall, or other stationary object) for reliable detection of weak objects.

QT50R-AF

Widest Beam, Small Package

- Detects objects up to 24 m away
- Analog and discrete outputs available
- One or two independent, adjustable sensing zones
- Total beam pattern 90° (± 45) x 76° (± 38)
- Rugged IP67-rated housing withstands harsh environments

QT50R-RH

Robust Retroreflective Sensing Mode

- Detects objects up to 12 m away
- Effective beam equals size of retro target
- Ignores objects in the background beyond the retroreflective target
- Rugged IP67-rated housing withstands harsh environments

Range	Sensing Mode	Output	Telecom Approval	Model
		Bipolar NPN/PNP	US, UK, Canada, and Brazil	QT50R-US-AFHQ
			US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand, Japan, China	QT50R-EU-AFHQ
24 m	Adjustable-field		South Korea*	QT50R-KR-AFHQ
			Taiwan	QT50R-TW-AFHQ
	Adjustable-field	2x Bipolar NPN/PNP	US, UK, Canada, and Brazil	QT50R-US-AF2Q
24 m			US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand, Japan, China	QT50R-EU-AF2Q
			Taiwan	QT50R-TW-AF2Q
24 m	Adjustable-field	2x Selectable NPN/PNP and 0–10 V analog	US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand	QT50R-EU-AF2UQP
3.5 m	Adjustable-field	Bipolar NPN/PNP	US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand, Japan, China	QT50R-EU-AFSQ
0 to 12 m	Retroreflective	Bipolar NPN/PNP	US, UK, Canada, and Brazil	QT50R-US-RHQ
			US, Europe, UK, Australia/New Zealand, Japan, China	QT50R-EU-RHQ

For five-wire 2 m integral cable versions, remove suffix Q from the model number (e.g., QT50R-EU-AFH)

Accessories



BRTR-CC20E corner-cube reflector (required with -RH models)



QT50RCK weather deflector



SMB30SC split clamp bracket with swivel



smB30MM right-angle bracket with curved

mounting slots



QT50RWS hydrophobic coated rain cover

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 $^{^{*}}$ Models for South Korea: 12 to 24 V dc

More Sensors, More Solutions.

Banner Engineering designs and manufactures industrial automation products including sensors, smart IIoT and industrial wireless technologies, LED lights and indicators, measurement devices, machine safety equipment, as well as barcode scanners and machine vision. These solutions help make many of the things we use every day, from food and medicine to cars and electronics. A high-quality, reliable Banner product is installed somewhere around the world every two seconds. Headquartered in Minneapolis since 1966, Banner is an industry leader with more than 10,000 products, operations on five continents, and a world-wide team of more than 5,500 employees and partners. Our dedication to innovation and personable service makes Banner a trusted source of smart automation technologies to customers around the globe.







