

## Technical data sheet

### Unpolarized retro-reflective photoelectric sensor

Part no.: 50125991

RK46C.DXL3/PX-M12



For illustration purposes only

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## Technical data

### Basic data

|                          |                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Series                   | 46C                                                                                                                           |
| Operating principle      | Reflection principle                                                                                                          |
| Application              | Detection of irregular objects on conveyor belt<br>Detection of objects with openings<br>Detection of stretch-wrapped objects |
| Switching distance $S_n$ | 0 ... 4,000 mm                                                                                                                |

### Special version

|                 |                                                                            |
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| Special version | AS-Interface, connection via coupling module<br>Extra long light spot (XL) |
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### Characteristic parameters

### Optical data

|                          |                                             |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Operating range          | 0.4 ... 4 m, With reflector TK(S) 100x100   |
| Operating range limit    | 0.4 ... 5.2 m, With reflector TK(S) 100x100 |
| Measurement field length | 60 mm                                       |
| Type of detection range  | Light-band 40-60 mm                         |
| Light source             | LED, Red                                    |
| Wavelength               | 620 nm                                      |
| Transmitted-signal shape | Pulsed                                      |
| LED group                | Exempt group (in acc. with EN 62471)        |

### Measurement data

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Minimum object size | 8 mm |
|---------------------|------|

### Electrical data

|                    |                                                                                 |
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| Protective circuit | Polarity reversal protection<br>Short circuit protected<br>Transient protection |
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### Performance data

|                      |                                        |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Supply voltage $U_B$ | 10 ... 30 V, DC, Incl. residual ripple |
| Residual ripple      | 0 ... 15 %, From $U_B$                 |
| Open-circuit current | 0 ... 20 mA                            |

### Outputs

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Number of digital switching outputs | 1 Piece(s) |
|-------------------------------------|------------|

### Switching outputs

|                         |                                            |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Type                    | Digital switching output                   |
| Voltage type            | DC                                         |
| Switching current, max. | 100 mA                                     |
| Switching voltage       | high: $\geq (U_B - 2V)$<br>low: $\leq 2 V$ |

### Switching output 1

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Switching element   | Transistor, PNP |
| Switching principle | Dark switching  |

### Time behavior

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| Switching frequency | 250 Hz |
| Response time       | 2 ms   |
| Readiness delay     | 300 ms |

### Connection

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Number of connections | 1 Piece(s) |
|-----------------------|------------|

### Connection 1

|                    |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Function           | Signal OUT<br>Voltage supply |
| Type of connection | Connector                    |
| Thread size        | M12                          |
| Type               | Male                         |
| Material           | Plastic                      |
| No. of pins        | 4 -pin                       |
| Encoding           | A-coded                      |

### Mechanical data

|                            |                                                       |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Design                     | Cubic                                                 |
| Dimension (W x H x L)      | 20.5 mm x 76.3 mm x 44 mm                             |
| Housing material           | Plastic                                               |
| Plastic housing            | PC-PBT                                                |
| Lens cover material        | Plastic / PMMA                                        |
| Net weight                 | 60 g                                                  |
| Housing color              | Red                                                   |
| Type of fastening          | Through-hole mounting<br>Via optional mounting device |
| Compatibility of materials | ECOLAB                                                |

### Operation and display

|                                     |                                                |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Type of display                     | LED                                            |
| Number of LEDs                      | 2 Piece(s)                                     |
| Operational controls                | Teach button                                   |
| Function of the operational control | Light/dark switching<br>Sensitivity adjustment |

### Environmental data

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| Ambient temperature, operation | -40 ... 60 °C |
| Ambient temperature, storage   | -40 ... 70 °C |

### Certifications

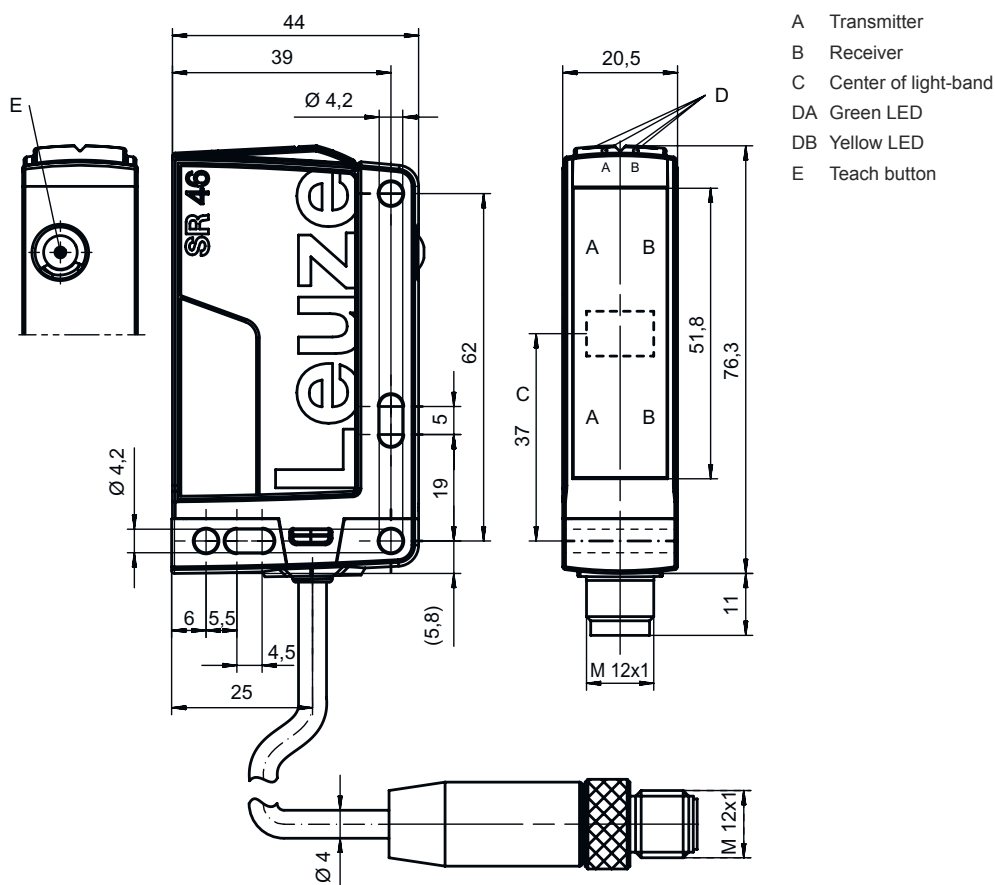
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| Degree of protection | IP 67<br>IP 69K |
| Protection class     | III             |
| Approvals            | c UL US         |
| Standards applied    | IEC 60947-5-2   |

## Technical data

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| Customs tariff number | 85365019 |
| ECLASS 5.1.4          | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 8.0            | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 9.0            | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 10.0           | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 11.0           | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 12.0           | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 13.0           | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 14.0           | 27270902 |
| ECLASS 15.0           | 27270902 |
| ETIM 5.0              | EC002717 |
| ETIM 6.0              | EC002717 |
| ETIM 7.0              | EC002717 |
| ETIM 8.0              | EC002717 |
| ETIM 9.0              | EC002717 |
| ETIM 10.0             | EC002717 |

## Dimensioned drawings

All dimensions in millimeters

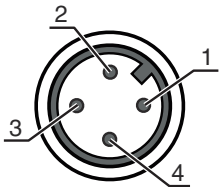


Electrical connection

Connection 1

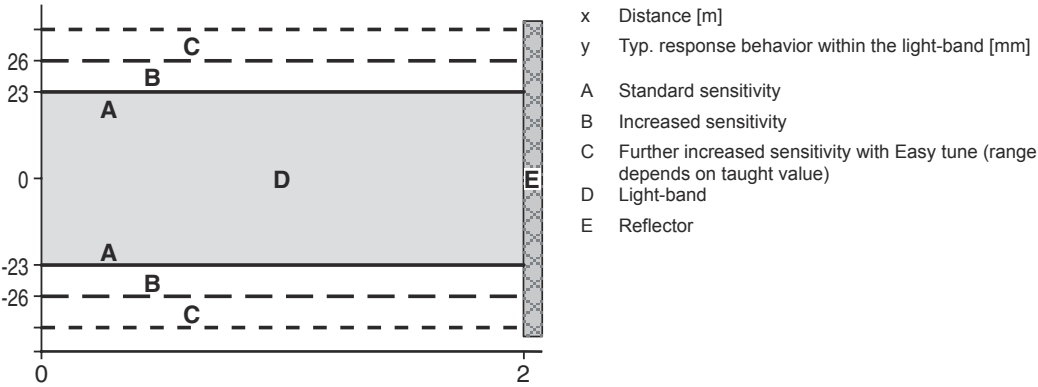
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|--------------------|----------------|
| Function           | Signal OUT     |
|                    | Voltage supply |
| Type of connection | Connector      |
| Thread size        | M12            |
| Type               | Male           |
| Material           | Plastic        |
| No. of pins        | 4 -pin         |
| Encoding           | A-coded        |

| Pin | Pin assignment |
|-----|----------------|
| 1   | V+             |
| 2   | n.c.           |
| 3   | GND            |
| 4   | OUT 1          |

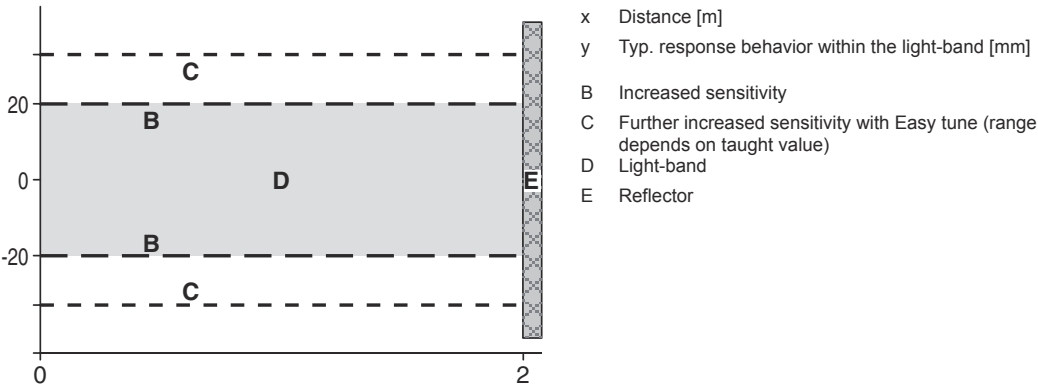


Diagrams

Reference object for detection: 19 mm with TKS 100x100 reflector



Reference object for detection: 12 mm with TKS 40x60 reflector



## Operation and display

| Display LED 1           | Display LED 2            | Meaning               |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Green, continuous light | Off                      | Operational readiness |
| Green, continuous light | Yellow, continuous light | Light path free       |
| Green, flashing         | Yellow, flashing         | Teach event active    |

## Reflectors & reflective tapes

|                                                                                    | Part no. | Designation | Operating range<br>Operating range<br>limit | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|   | 50003192 | TK 100x100  | 0.4 ... 4 m<br>0.4 ... 5.2 m                | Design: Rectangular<br>Triple reflector size: 4 mm<br>Reflective surface: 96 mm x 96 mm<br>Material: Plastic<br>Base material: Plastic<br>Chemical designation of the material: PMMA8N<br>Fastening: Rear side can be glued          |
|   | 50022816 | TKS 100X100 | 0.4 ... 4 m<br>0.4 ... 5.2 m                | Design: Rectangular<br>Triple reflector size: 4 mm<br>Reflective surface: 96 mm x 96 mm<br>Material: Plastic<br>Base material: Plastic<br>Chemical designation of the material: PMMA8N<br>Fastening: Through-hole mounting, Adhesive |
|  | 50040820 | TKS 40X60   | 0.4 ... 3 m<br>0.4 ... 3.9 m                | Design: Rectangular<br>Triple reflector size: 4 mm<br>Reflective surface: 37 mm x 56 mm<br>Material: Plastic<br>Base material: Plastic<br>Chemical designation of the material: PMMA8N<br>Fastening: Through-hole mounting, Adhesive |

## Part number code

Part designation: AAA46C d EE-f.GG H/i J-K

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| <b>AAA46C</b> | <b>Operating principle / construction</b><br>HT46C: Diffuse reflection sensor with background suppression<br>LS46C: Throughbeam photoelectric sensor transmitter<br>LE46C: Throughbeam photoelectric sensor receiver<br>PRK46C: Retro-reflective photoelectric sensor with polarization filter<br>RK46C: Retro-reflective photoelectric sensor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>d</b>      | <b>Light type</b><br>n/a: red light<br>l: infrared light                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>EE</b>     | <b>Light source</b><br>n/a: LED<br>L1: laser class 1<br>L2: laser class 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>f</b>      | <b>Preset range (optional)</b><br>n/a: operating range acc. to data sheet<br>xxxF: Preset range [mm]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>GG</b>     | <b>Equipment</b><br>n/a: standard<br>1: 270° potentiometer<br>8: activation input (activation with high signal)<br>01: diffuse reflection sensor with background suppression (HT): HG tape (HighGain tape) is not detected from a distance of 900 mm with a set operating range of ≤ 450 mm (diffuse reflection: 6%, black)<br>D: Depolarizing media<br>E: Diffuse reflection sensor with background suppression (HT): optimized for dusty environments<br>SL: Diffuse reflection sensor with background suppression (HT): slit diaphragm 25 mm x 3 mm<br>P: throughbeam photoelectric sensor receiver (LE): edge filter for parallel operation<br>L: Light-band<br>XL: Extra long light spot |

## Part number code

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| <b>H</b> | <b>Operating range adjustment &amp; version</b><br>n/a with diffuse reflection sensor with background suppression (HT): range adjustment via mechanical adjusting spindle<br>n/a with retro-reflective photoelectric sensors (PRK): operating range not adjustable<br>1: retro-reflective photoelectric sensors (PRK/RK): sensitivity adjustment via potentiometer<br>3: teach-in via button<br>P2: resolution 2 mm                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>i</b> | <b>Switching output/function OUT 1/IN: Pin 4 or black conductor</b><br>2: NPN transistor output, light switching<br>N: NPN transistor output, dark switching<br>4: PNP transistor output, light switching<br>P: PNP transistor output, dark switching<br>L: IO-Link<br>G: Push-pull switching output, PNP dark switching, NPN light switching<br>6: push-pull switching output, PNP light switching, NPN dark switching                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>J</b> | <b>Switching output / function OUT 2/IN: pin 2 or white conductor</b><br>2: NPN transistor output, light switching<br>N: NPN transistor output, dark switching<br>4: PNP transistor output, light switching<br>P: PNP transistor output, dark switching<br>8: activation input (activation with high signal)<br>9: deactivation input (deactivation with high signal)<br>W: warning output<br>X: pin not used<br>G: Push-pull switching output, PNP dark switching, NPN light switching<br>6: push-pull switching output, PNP light switching, NPN dark switching |
| <b>K</b> | <b>Electrical connection</b><br>n/a: cable, standard length 2000 mm, 4-wire<br>200-M12: cable, length 200 mm with M12 connector, 4-pin, axial (plug)<br>M12: M12 connector, 4-pin (plug)<br>500-M12: cable, length 500 mm with M12 connector, 4-pin, axial (plug)<br>1000-M12: cable, length 1000 mm with M12 connector, 4-pin, axial (plug)                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

### Note



A list with all available device types can be found on the Leuze website at [www.leuze.com](http://www.leuze.com).

## Notes



### Observe intended use!



- ⚠ This product is not a safety sensor and is not intended as personnel protection.
- ⚠ The product may only be put into operation by competent persons.
- ⚠ Only use the product in accordance with its intended use.

### For UL applications:



- ⚠ For UL applications, use is only permitted in Class 2 circuits in accordance with the NEC (National Electric Code).
- ⚠ These proximity switches shall be used with UL Listed Cable assemblies rated 30V, 0.5A min, in the field installation, or equivalent (categories: CYJV/ CYJV7 or PVVA/PVVA7)

## Further information

- Light source: Average life expectancy 100,000 h at an ambient temperature of 25 °C
- Resolution: depending on the teach-in, see diagram
- Response time: For short decay times, an ohmic load of approx. 5kOhm is recommended

## Accessories

### Connection technology - Connection cables

|                                                                                                                                                                     | Part no. | Designation        | Article          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|   | 50130652 | KD U-M12-4A-V1-050 | Connection cable | Application: Chemical resistant<br>Connection 1: Connector, M12, Axial, Female, A-coded, 4 -pin<br>Connector, LED: No<br>Connection 2: Open end<br>Shielded: No<br>Cable length: 5,000 mm<br>Sheathing material: PVC  |
|                                                                                                                                                                     | 50130690 | KD U-M12-4W-V1-050 | Connection cable | Application: Chemical resistant<br>Connection 1: Connector, M12, Angled, Female, A-coded, 4 -pin<br>Connector, LED: No<br>Connection 2: Open end<br>Shielded: No<br>Cable length: 5,000 mm<br>Sheathing material: PVC |

### Mounting technology - Mounting brackets

|                                                                                     | Part no. | Designation | Article         | Description                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | 50105315 | BT 46       | Mounting device | Design of mounting device: Angle, L-shape<br>Fastening, at system: Through-hole mounting<br>Mounting bracket, at device: Screw type<br>Type of mounting device: Rigid<br>Material: Metal |

### Mounting technology - Rod mounts

|                                                                                     | Part no. | Designation  | Article         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | 50117252 | BTU 300M-D12 | Mounting system | Contains: 2x M4 x 25 screw, 2x M4 x 20 screw, 4x position washers<br>Design of mounting device: Mounting system<br>Fastening, at system: For 12 mm rod, Sheet-metal mounting<br>Mounting bracket, at device: Screw type, Suited for M4 screws<br>Type of mounting device: Clampable, Adjustable, Turning, 360°<br>Material: Metal |
|  | 50128380 | BTU 460M-D12 | Mounting system | Design of mounting device: Mounting system<br>Fastening, at system: For 12 mm rod<br>Mounting bracket, at device: Screw type<br>Type of mounting device: Adjustable, Turning, 360°<br>Material: Metal                                                                                                                             |

Accessories

| Note                                                                             |                                                                                                                                  |
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|  | <p>A list with all available accessories can be found on the Leuze website in the Download tab of the article detailed page.</p> |