

# Photoelectrics

## Level Sensors

### Types VP, Modulated, Metal Housing

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- Modulated light
- Built-in amplifier
- Output: NPN or PNP, 4-wire (NO & NC)
- Housing: Stainless steel or nickel plated brass
- Tip: Polysulphone or glass
- High chemical resistance to most acids and bases
- Liquid and electrical circuit completely isolated
- Power supply: DC models 10 to 40 VDC



### Product Description

Optical level probe with modulated infrared light for detection of liquids. Self-contained unit has built-in amplifier. Separate transmitting and receiving elements sealed behind the tip. Designed for direct mounting through the wall of a tank. The polysulphone tip is especially resistant to most acids and bases.

### Ordering Key

**VPB1 M NA-1**

Type: Refraction principle

Housing material

Tip material

Light source

Output type

Connection

### Type Selection

Housing material	Tip material	Ordering no. NPN, Make & Break switching Cable	Ordering no. NPN, Make & Break switching M12 Plug	Ordering no. PNP, Make & Break switching Cable	Ordering no. PNP, Make & Break switching M12 Plug
Stainless steel	Polysulphone	VPA1MNA	VPA1MNA-1	VPA1MPA	VPA1MPA-1
Stainless steel	Glass	VPA2MNA	VPA2MNA-1	VPA2MPA	VPA2MPA-1
Nickel plated brass	Polysulphone	VPB1MNA	VPB1MNA-1	VPB1MPA	VPB1MPA-1
Nickel plated brass	Glass	VPB2MNA	VPB2MNA-1	VPB2MPA	VPB2MPA-1

### Specifications

Rated operational voltage	10 - 40 VDC	Pressure	≤ 10 bar at +60°C (+ 140°F)
Ripple	≤ 10 V	Environment	IP 67
<b>Output current</b>		Degree of protection	-20° to +80°C (-4° to +176°F)
Continuous	≤ 200 mA	Operating temperature	-40° to +100°C (-40° to +212°F)
No-load supply current	≤ 7 mA	Storage temperature	
Voltage drop	≤ 2.5 VDC	Liquid temperature	+100°C (+212°F) for ≤ 60 s
Protection	Reverse polarity, short circuit, transients	Housing material	Stainless steel AISI 303 or nickel plated brass
Ambient light	≤ 50.000 lux	Cable	2 m, 4 x 0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> , grey, Ø 5.2 oil resistant PVC
Transient voltage	1 kV	Resistance	≤ 100 Ω, extension possible
Delay after power-on	20 ms	Weight	90 g
Operating frequency	≤ 30 Hz	Tightening torque	
Indication for		Stainless steel	30 Nm
Output ON	LED, yellow No LED indication on plug types	Nickel plated brass	30 Nm
Sensing accuracy		External thread	3/8" (ISO 228/1)
Liquid level difference	Horizontal mounting: ± 5 mm	CE-marking	Yes
LED indication on plug types	Vertical mounting: ± 2.5 mm		

## Mode of Operation

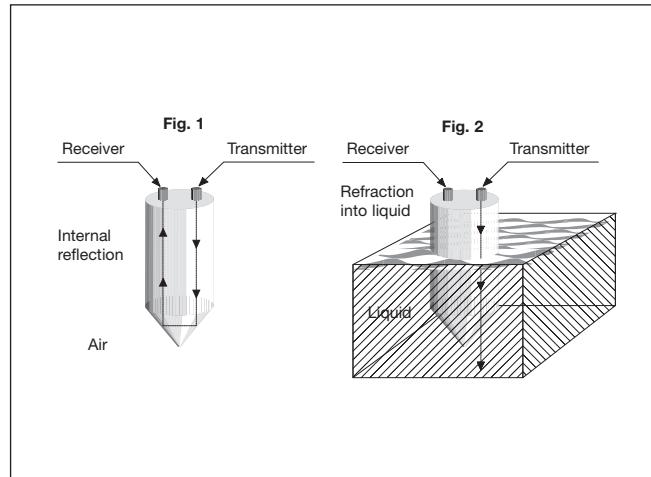
The probe contains IR transmitter, receiver and amplifier with open collector NPN or PNP output. The light source is a Ga-As diode emitting modulated, infrared light in short pulses.

This level probe is thus insensitive to ambient light (up to 50,000 lux) and suitable even for adhesive liquids.

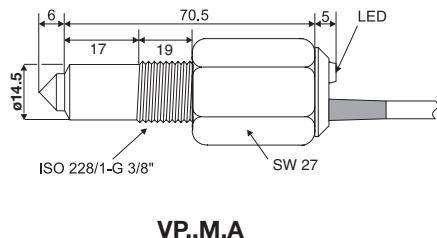
The conical tip of the sensor forms an angle of 90°. This angle acts as a prism, i.e. the beam, emitted from the Ga-As diode placed in one side of

the sensor head, is reflected internally to the phototransistor placed in the other side of the sensor head (fig. 1), provided that the tip of the sensor is situated in free air. If the sensor tip is immersed in a liquid, always having a refractive index different from air (fig. 2), the beam will be refracted into the liquid.

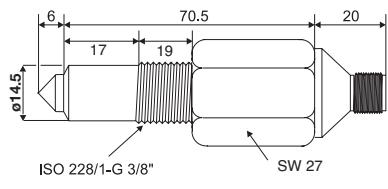
All types of sensors can operate in oil, waste water, aqueous solutions such as beer, wine, alcohol etc. without any kind of accessory.



## Dimensions

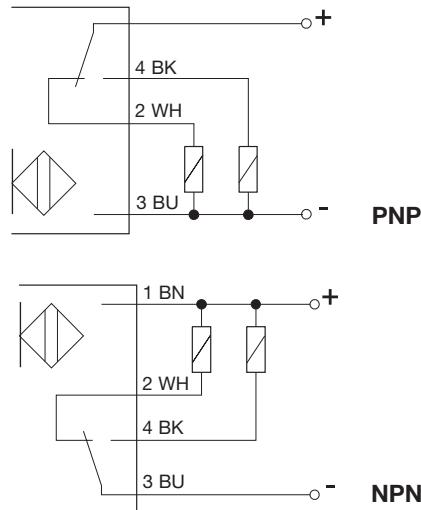


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## Wiring Diagrams



## Installation Hints

To avoid interference from inductive voltage/current peaks, separate the prox. switch power cables from any other power cables, e.g. motor, contactor or solenoid cables	Relief of cable strain	Protection of the sensing face	Switch mounted on mobile carrier
 	  The cable should not be pulled	 A proximity switch should not serve as mechanical stop	 Any repetitive flexing of the cable should be avoided

## Accessories

- Connector type CON.1A-../CON.14NF.. or CON.1O-../CON.13NF series.