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Sensitivity Adjustment

The sensor's sensitivity is adjusted by turning the 4-turn clutched Sensitivity potentiometer with a small slotted screwdriver. Apply power to the sensor and:

1. Set the potentiometer to minimum sensitivity (fully counter-clockwise) and present the Light condition. If the yellow Signal Condition indicator is ON, that is your Light condition sensitivity position. If not, proceed to step 2.

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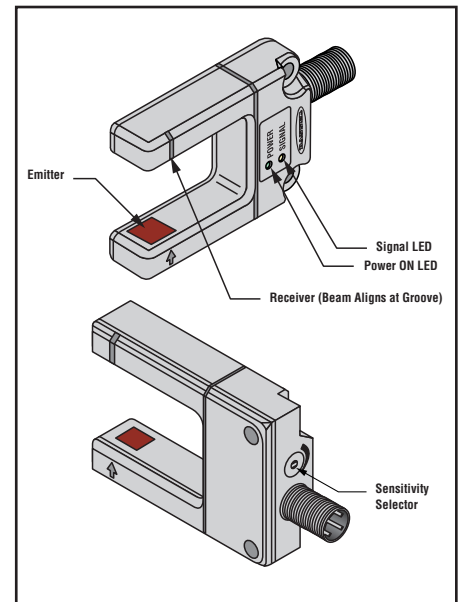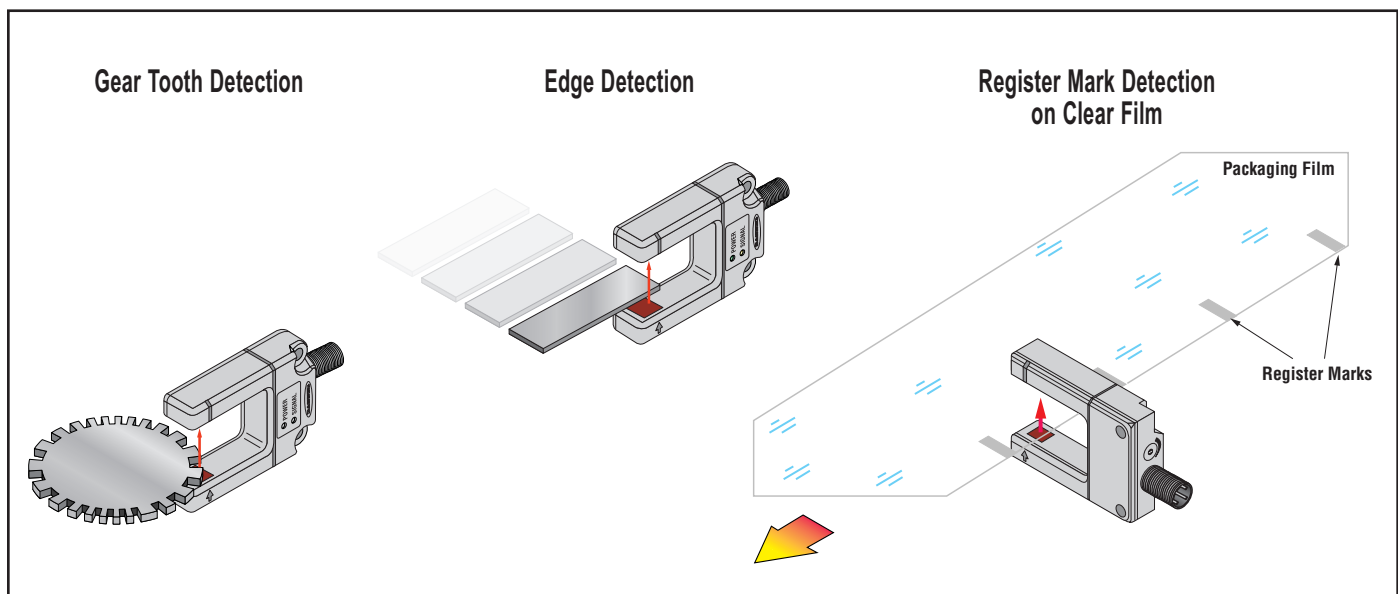

Figure 1. SL Series features

Emitter

Signal LED
Power ON LED

Receiver (Beam Aligns at Groove)

Sensitivity Selector

Gear Tooth Detection

Edge Detection

Register Mark Detection on Clear Film

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Figure 2. SL Series typical applications
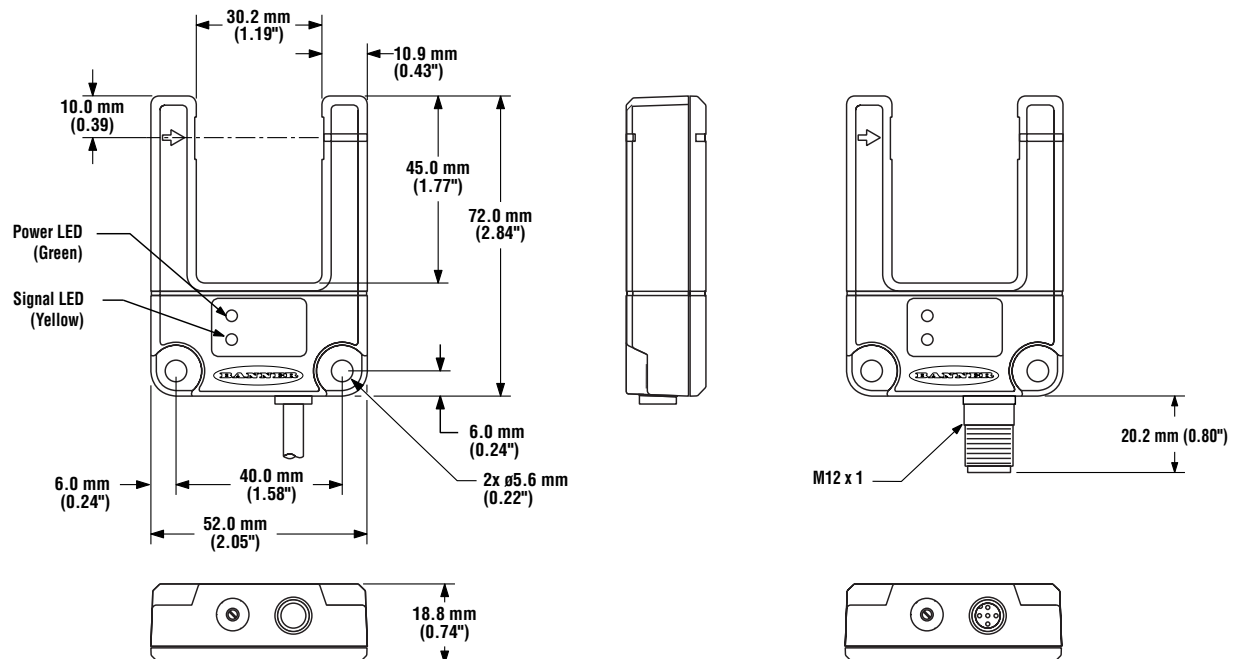
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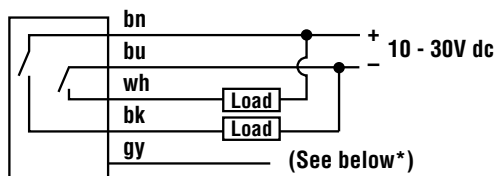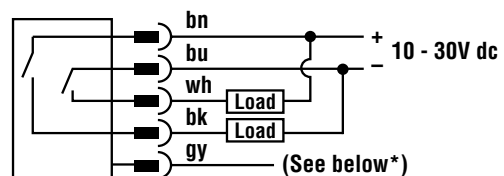
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Supply Voltage and Current	10 to 30V dc, 30 mA
Supply Protection Circuitry	Protected against reverse polarity and transient voltages
Output Configuration	Bipolar: NPN (current sinking) and PNP (current sourcing)
Output Rating	150mA, each output
Output Protection Circuitry	Protected against false pulse on power-up and short-circuit of outputs
Output Response Time	1 millisecond or 300 microseconds, depending on model
Repeatability	250 microseconds or 75 microseconds, depending on model
Adjustments	4-turn clutched potentiometer sensitivity adjustment
Indicators	**Green:** Power ON/OFF indicator **Yellow:** Signal Condition indicator
Construction	**Housing:** ABS/polycarbonate blend **Lenses:** Acrylic
Connections	IP67, NEMA 6
Environmental Rating	2 m (6.5') or 9 m (30') 5-conductor PVC-jacketed attached cable or 5-pin Euro-style quick-disconnect (QD) connector. QD cables are ordered separately; see page 5.
Operating Conditions	**Operating Temperature:** -40° to +70°C (-40° to +158°F) **Maximum relative humidity:** 90% @ 50°C (non-condensing)

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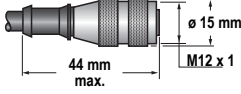wh
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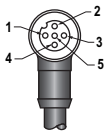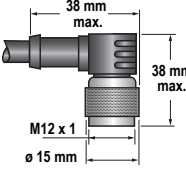* For Dark Operate, connect gray wire to + (brown).
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SMBSL	• Angled bracket • 304 stainless steel

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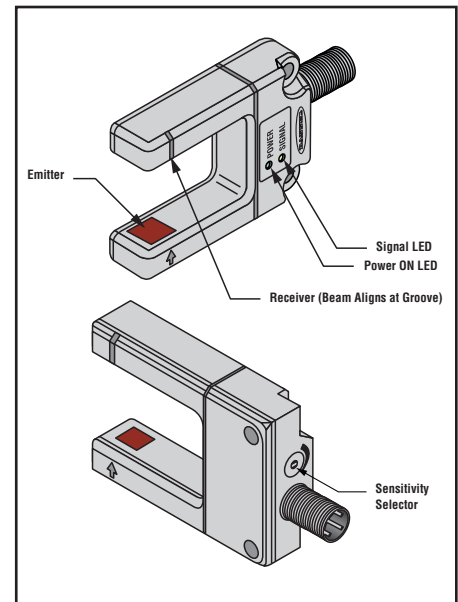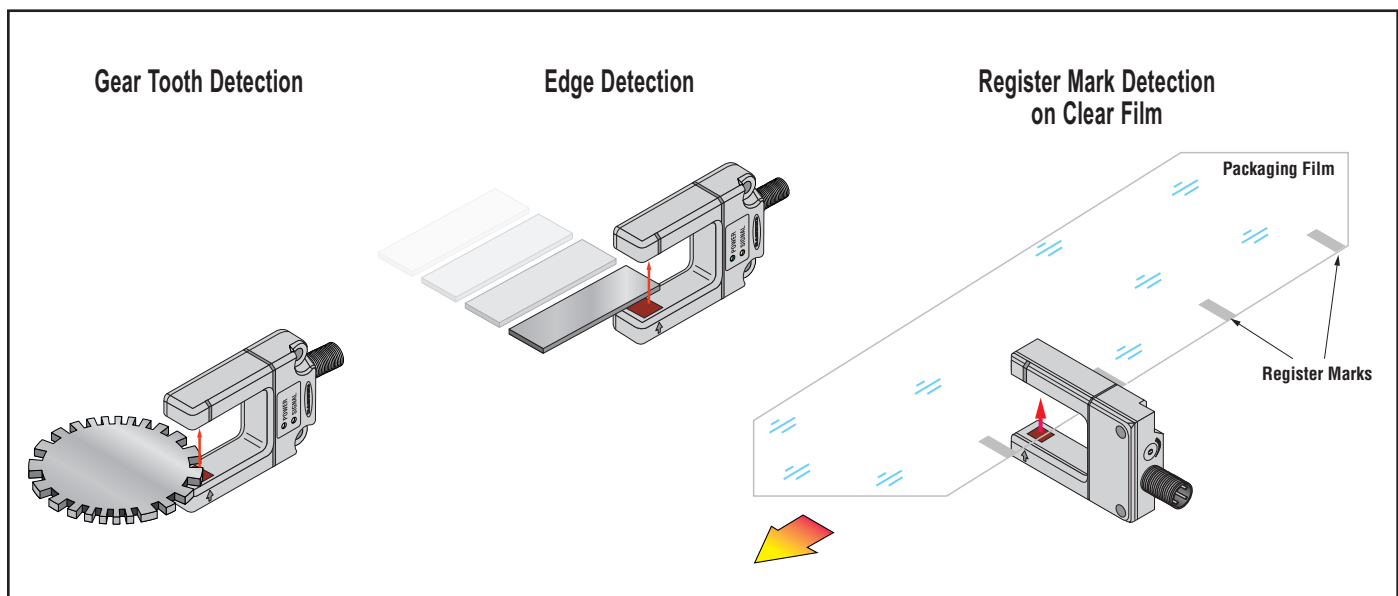

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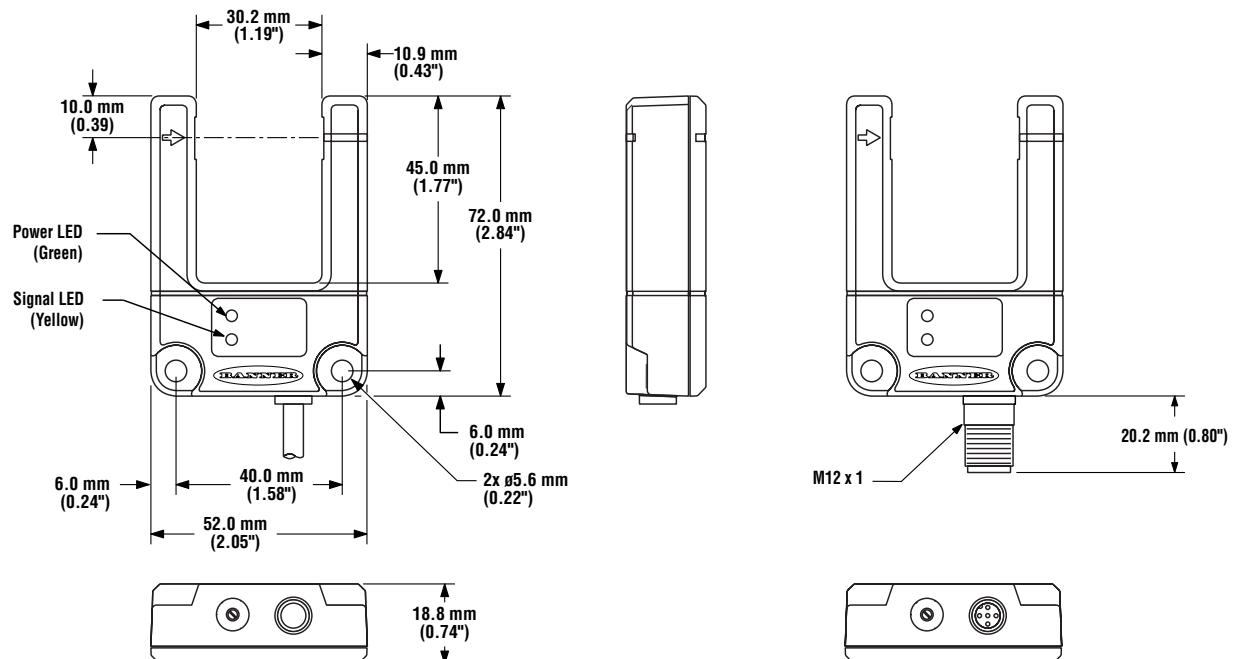
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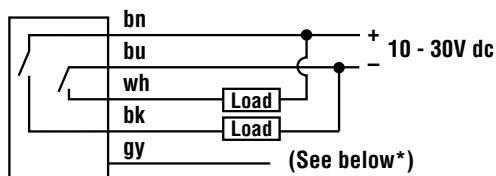**Yellow flashing:**   Excess gain is marginal (1 to 1.5x) in light condition

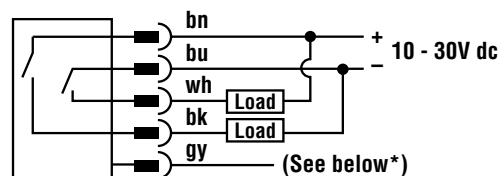## Dimensions

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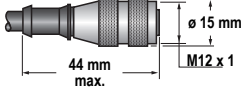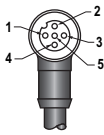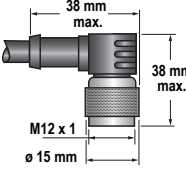wh
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