## Capacitive **Proximity** Sensors

### **Capacitive Sensors**

For non-contact detection of non-metallic and metallic materials at ranges generally under 50mm (2 inches), capacitive sensors detect a change in capacitance caused by the approach of objects into their electrostatic field. Capacitive sensors find broad use in detecting plastic granules, liquids, bulk food products, or very small metal parts, and are used extensively in applications involving plastic injection molding, packaging, and liquid level detection. Advantages of capacitive sensors include the ability to "tune out" non-metallic walls and barriers in order to detect liquids or bulk materials on the other side, and detection of very small metal parts that would be ignored by inductive proximity

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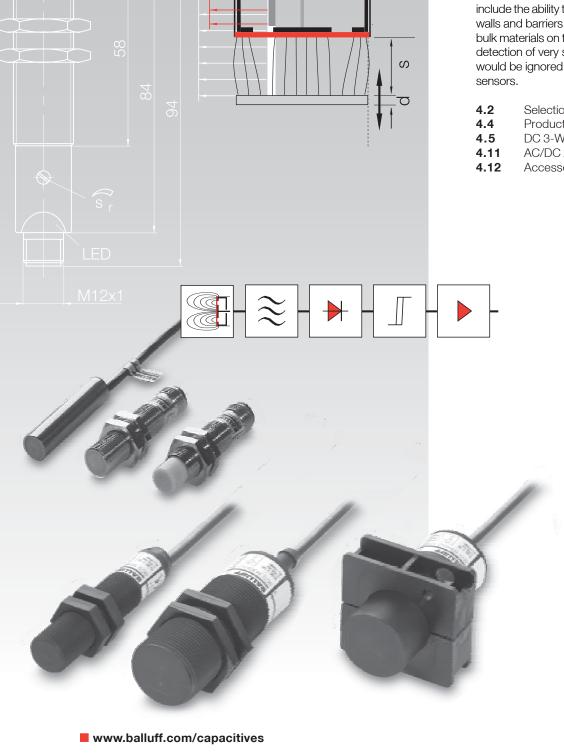












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Housing Size		8 mm	10 mm	12 mm	18 mm	18 mm	
Sensing Range							
Flush		1.5 mm	4 mm	4 mm	8 mm	8 mm	
Non-flush		3 mm		8 mm	15 mm		
Self-adapting							
Connection							
Integral Connector		M8		M12	M12		
Pigtail Connector							
Prewired Cable			•	•	•	•	
Outputs							
PNP N.O.	3-Wire	1130 V	1235 V	1235 V	1036 V		
PNP N.C.	3-Wire	1130 V	1235 V	1235 V	1036 V		
NPN N.O.	3-Wire	1130 V	1235 V	1235 V	1036 V		
NPN N.C.	3-Wire	1130 V	1235 V	1235 V	1036 V		
PNP/NPN N.O./N.C. Sel	lectable						
AC/DC	2-Wire					20250 V	
Housing Material							
Plastic				PVC	PBT and PTFE	PBT	
Metal		SS	SS	CuZn			
Sensing Face Material		PTFE	PTFE	PTFE and PVC	PBT and PTFE	PBT	
Attributes							
Short Circuit Protection							
Reverse Polarity Protection	n			•			
Temperature Range Up to							
Temperature Range Up to							
Temperature Range Up to							
Protection		IP 65	IP 65	IP 65	IP 67	IP 67	
CE							
cULus							
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## PTFE Housing 18 & 30 mm Sensors

See pages 4.7 and 4.9.



Balluff capacitive sensors with PTFE housing are ideal for semiconductor and chemical processing applications. PTFE resists attack from aggressive solvents such as de-ionized water and concentrated sulfuric acid fumes.

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30 mm	30 mm	34 mm	34 mm	50 mm Flat Pack	34x16x8 mm Mini
15 mm	15 mm	20 mm	20 mm	25 mm	8 mm
30 mm					_
M12				M8	
IVIIZ				IVIO	
					_
_	_	_	_	_	
1036 V		1036 V			1230 V
1036 V		1036 V			1230 V
1036 V		1036 V			1230 V
1036 V		1036 V			1230 V
				1030 V	
	20250 V		20250 V		
PBT and PTFE	PBT	PBT	PBT	POM	PP
PBT and PTFE	PBT	PBT	PBT	POM	PP
PDI and PIFE	PBI	PDI	PBI	POIVI	PP
_				•	_
IP65 & IP 67	IP 67	IP 65	IP 67	IP 67	IP 67
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## **Accessories**

See page 4.12 for more details.



Protective PTFE switchwells are perfect for attaching capacitive sensors to containers for level detection.



Sight glass bracket for mounting sensors to tubing.

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**Note:** Refer to the accessories section for a complete selection of standard clamps and mounting brackets.

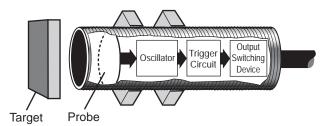
## **Capacitive Sensors Improve Quality and Increase Flexibility**

Today's world of complex processes requires solutions that are designed to give you maximum uptime and provide a wide range of uses. Capacitive sensors from Balluff are manufactured to furnish you the flexibility you need in the places you need it. With a variety of body styles, adjustable sensing ranges, and special features, Balluff's BCS family can solve applications that are not well suited to traditional inductive or photoelectric sensing technologies.

Capacitive sensors are able to...

- Detect a target independent of color
- Detect metallic and non-metallic targets
- "Tune out" non-metallic container walls and mounting hardware to "see what's inside"
- Detect very small metal parts or thin-gauge wires

## **How They Work**



Capacitive sensors consist of a probe, an oscillator, a trigger circuit, and an output switching device. The sensor generates an electrostatic field and detects changes in this field as a target approaches the sensing face.

Refer to the Technical Reference section for additional information.



### Fluid Level Control with BCS Capacitive Sensors

Various fluids must be added to vehicles as part of the overall assembly process. Balluff BCS capacitive sensors are able to detect the level of virtually any material, making them the perfect choice to monitor fluid levels in non-metallic containers. An adjustable sensitivity potentiometer enables differentiation between materials, allowing BCS sensors to ignore the container, barriers, or mounting hardware to see the fluid inside.



### Package Content Detection with the BCS F50

A real workhorse on the packaging line, the BCS F50 detects conductive or non-conductive materials. This allows the sensor to tune out overwrap or packing containers in order to detect the product inside. Its target detection capability is unaffected by color variation, making it suitable for detecting a variety of products. Its "flat-pack" form factor is a must for production lines where space is at a premium.



### **Accessories Deliver Faster Changeover Time**

A common application, tank level control, is now simple with Balluff BCSA sight glass mounts. On and off levels can be easily adjusted on the external tube by moving the sensors up or down as desired. The ability to make these process changes quickly saves you money and satisfies the need for high-accuracy feedback.

## DC 3-Wire

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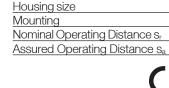
M8  $S_r \, 0.1...1.5 \, mm, \, 0.1...3 \, mm$ 

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## **More Applications**



Following a metal thread in textiles.

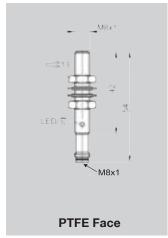


PNP

NPN

M8	M8
flush	non-flush*
0.11.5 mm	0.13 mm
0.11.2 mm	0.12.2 mm





Normally-open ① BCS M08EG1-PSC15C-S49G BCS M08EG-PSC30G-S49G Normally-closed @ BCS M08EG1-POC15C-S49G BCS M08EG-POC30G-S49G

Normally-open 3 BCS M08FG1-NSC15C-S49G (1) BCS M08FG-NSC30G-S49G (1)

M8<sub>×1</sub> **PTFE Face** 

Confirmation of
liquid level.



Sensing presence and

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thickness of lumber.



Inspecting paper or plastic strips. (Be sure no metal is behind target object.)

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BCS M08EG1-NOC15C-S49G (1)	BCS M08EG-NOC30G-S49G (1)
24 Vdc	24 Vdc
1130 Vdc	1130 Vdc
≤ 2.0 V	≤ 2.0 V
75 Vdc	75 Vdc
50 mA	50 mA
≤ 10 mA	≤ 10 mA
yes	yes
yes	yes
≤1 μF	≤1 μF
≤ 2%	≤ 2%
-10+70 C	-10+70 C
100 Hz	100 Hz
DC 13	DC 13
output on	output on
IP 65	IP 65
stainless steel	stainless steel
PTFE	PTFE
M8 connector	M8 connector
N/A	N/A
	24 Vdc 1130 Vdc ≤ 2.0 V 75 Vdc 50 mA ≤ 10 mA yes yes ≤ 1 µF ≤ 2% -10+70 C 100 Hz DC 13 output on IP 65 □ stainless steel PTFE M8 connector

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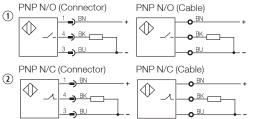


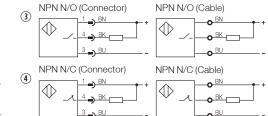
Detecting/counting plastic or metal parts moving through tubing.

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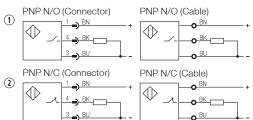
DC 3-Wire Ø 10 mm, M12 s<sub>r</sub> 1...4 mm, 1...8 mm

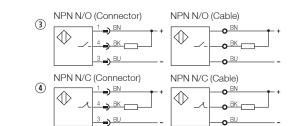
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Housing size		Ø 10 mm	M12	M12
Mounting		flush	flush	non-flush*
	erating Distance s <sub>r</sub>	14 mm	14 mm	18 mm
	erating Distance s <sub>a</sub>	12.9 mm	12.9 mm	15.8 mm
<u>, 10001 00 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0</u>	CE	<u>Ø10</u>	M12x1	M12x1
	c <b>UL</b> us	OS LED	ZH 20 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	C317 N N O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O
		PTFE Face	PTFE Face	PTFE Face
PNP	Normally-open ①	BCS 010-PSB-1-L-PU-02	BCS 012-PSB-1-L-S4	BCS 012-PS-1-L-S4
	Normally-closed ②	BCS 010-POB-1-L-PU-02	BCS 012-POB-1-L-S4	BCS 012-PO-1-L-S4
NPN	Normally-open <sup>3</sup>	BCS 010-NSB-1-L-PU-02 (1)	BCS 012-NSB-1-L-S4 (1)	BCS 012-NS-1-L-S4 (1)
	Normally-closed 4	BCS 010-NOB-1-L-PU-02 (1)	BCS 012-NOB-1-L-S4 (1)	BCS 012-NO-1-L-S4 (1)
	ational Voltage U <sub>e</sub>	24 Vdc	24 Vdc	24 Vdc
Supply Voltage		1235 Vdc	1235 Vdc	1235 Vdc
Voltage Drop		≤ 1.0 V	≤ 1.0 V	≤ 1.0 V
Insulation Rat		75 Vdc	75 Vdc	75 Vdc
	ational Current I <sub>e</sub>	200 mA	200 mA	200 mA
No-Load Cur		≤ 10 mA	≤ 10 mA	≤ 10 mA
	gainst Short Circuit	yes	yes	yes
	gainst Reverse Polarity	yes	yes	yes
Load Capacit		≤1 µF	≤1 μF	≤1 μF
Repeat Accu		≤ 5%	≤ 5%	≤ 5%
	nperature Range T <sub>a</sub>	30+70 C	-30+70 C	-30+70 C
	equency, max	100 Hz	100 Hz	100 Hz
Utilization Categories		DC 13	DC 13	DC 13
LED Indicates		output on	output on	output on
Degree of Protection per IEC 60529		IP 65	IP 65	IP 65
Insulation Class				
Housing Material		stainless steel	nickel plated brass	nickel plated brass
Sensing Face Material		PTFE	PTFE	PTFE
Connection		2m PUR cable	M12 connector	M12 connector
No. of Wires		3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm <sup>2</sup> )	N/A	N/A
Recommend	d Cable	N/A	C04 AEL-00-TY-050M	C04 AEL-00-TY-050M
Approvals		CE	CE	CE

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## **Wiring Diagrams**





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DC 3-Wire M12, M18 S<sub>r</sub> 1...4 mm, 1...8 mm, 1...15 mm

M12	M18	M18	M18	
flush	flush	flush	non-flush*	0)
14 mm	18 mm	18 mm	115 mm	
13.2 mm	0.76.5 mm	0.76.5 mm	0.812 mm	20
M12x1  04 05 SF	M18x1  80 95  M12x1	M18x1 M18x1 G 24 W18x1 FB	PTFE Housing & Cable	acitive
BCS 012-PS-1-Y-02	BCS M18KM3-PSC80G-S04G	BCS M18KM3-PSC80G-BV02	BCS M18PI-PSC15F-BT02	
BCS 012-PO-1-Y-02	BCSM18KM3-POC80G-S04G-001	BCSM18KM3-POC80G-BV02	BCS M18PI-POC15F-BT02	
BCS 012-NS-1-Y-02 (1)		BCS M18KM3-NSC80G-BV02	BCS M18PI-NSC15F-BT02	4
BCS 012-NO-1-Y-02 (1)		BCS M18KM3-NOC80G-BV02	BCS M18PI-NOC15F-BT02	
24 Vdc	24 Vdc	24 Vdc	24 Vdc	Contents
1235 Vdc	1036 Vdc	1036 Vdc	1036 Vdc	Selection
≤ 1.0 V	≤ 2.5 V	≤ 2.5 V	≤ 1.5 V	Guide
75 Vdc	250 Vac	250 Vac		Product
200 mA	250 mA	250 mA	300 mA	Overview & Applications
≤ 10 mA	≤ 15 mA	≤ 15 mA	≤ 15 mA	
yes	yes	yes	yes	DC 3-Wire
yes	yes	yes	yes	AC/DC 2-Wire
≤1 μF	≤0.1 μF	≤ 0.1 μF	≤1 µF	Accessories
≤ 5%	≤ 10%	≤ 10%	≤ 2%	
-30+70 C	-25+80 C	-25+80 C	-30+70 C	
100 Hz	50 Hz	50 Hz	100 Hz	
DC 13	DC 13	DC 13	DC 13	
output on	output on	output on	output on	
IP 65	IP 67	IP 67	IP 67	
PVC	PBT	PBT	PTFE PTFE	
PVC	PBT	PBT	PTFE	
2m PUR cable	M12 connector	2m PVC cable	2m PTFE jacketed cable	
3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm <sup>2</sup> )	N/A	3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm <sup>2</sup> )	3 x 24 AWG (3 x 0.23mm <sup>2</sup> )	
N/A	C04 AEL-00-TY-050M	N/A	N/A	
CE	CE, cULus	CE, cULus	CE	



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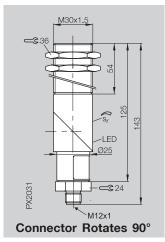
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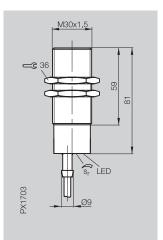
DC 3-Wire M30 s<sub>r</sub> 2...15 mm

## DC 3-Wire

Housing size	M30	M30
Mounting	flush	flush
Nominal Operating Distance s <sub>r</sub>	215 mm	215 mm
Assured Operating Distance s <sub>a</sub>	1.412.1 mm	1.410.8 m







PNP Normally-open ①		BCS M30KN2-PSC18G-AV02
Normally-closed ②		BCS M30KN2-POC15G-AV02
Selectable <sup>⑤</sup>	BCS M30KM7-PPH15G-S04U	
NPN Normally-open 3		BCS M30KN2-NSC18G-AV02
Normally-closed 4		BCS M30KN2-NOC15G-AV02
Rated Operational Voltage U <sub>e</sub>	24 Vdc	24 Vdc
Supply Voltage U <sub>B</sub>	1036 Vdc	1036 Vdc
Voltage Drop U <sub>d</sub> at I <sub>e</sub>	≤ 2.5 V	≤ 2.5 V
Insulation Rating U <sub>i</sub>	250 Vac	250 Vac
Rated Operational Current I <sub>e</sub>	250 mA	250 mA
No-Load Current Draw I <sub>o</sub>	≤ 16 mA	≤ 15 mA
Protected Against Short Circuit	yes	yes
Protected Against Reverse Polarity	yes	yes
Load Capacitance	≤ 0.1 μF	≤ 0.1 μF
Repeat Accuracy R	≤ 10%	≤ 10%
Ambient Temperature Range T <sub>a</sub>	-25+70 C	-25+70 C
Switching Frequency, max	40 Hz	40 Hz
Utilization Categories	DC 13	DC 13
LED Indicates	output on	output on
Degree of Protection per IEC 60529	IP 65	IP 67
Insulation Class		
Housing Material	PBT	PBT
Sensing Face Material	PBT	PBT
Connection	M12 connector	2m PVC cable
No. of Wires × Gauge	N/A	3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm <sup>2</sup> )
Recommend Cable	C04 AEL-00-TY-050M	N/A
Approvals	CE, cULus	CE, cULus

Connector portion of sensor body can be rotated 90°.

<sup>(1)</sup> Consult factory for availability. Subject to minimum order quantity.

<sup>\*</sup> Flush mounting reduces the effective operating distance by 50%.

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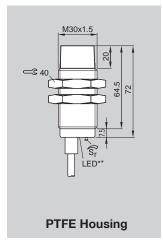






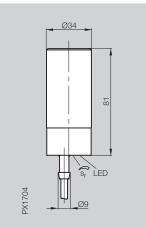
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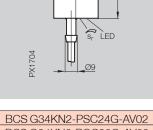
### M30 Ø 34 mm non-flush\* flush 0.5...30 mm 3...20 mm 0.4...24 mm 2.2...16.2 m

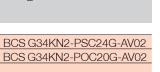


BCS M30PH1-PSC30F-BT02

BCS M30PH1-POC30F-BT02



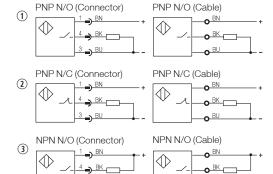






Mounting hardware included.

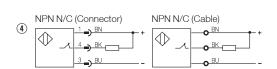
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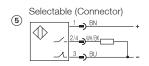


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The sensor comes factory set to normally-open. By cutting the jumper wire inside the back cover, the sensor will be set to normally-closed.

Note: This is a one-time operation. The sensor cannot be returned to normally-open operation.

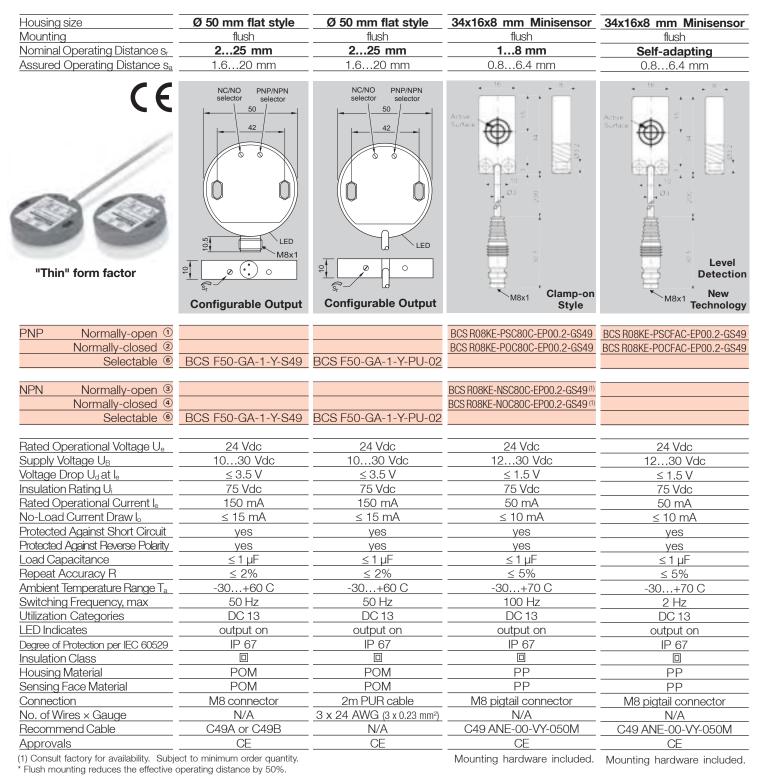
## **Ideal** for level control



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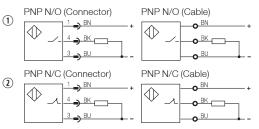
DC 3-Wire Ø 50 mm, 34 x 16 x 8 mm s<sub>r</sub>2...25 mm, 1...8 mm

## DC 3-Wire



### Wiring Diagrams

See page 4.11 for additional wiring diagrams 3-6.



BCS R08KE mounted to a tube with wire ties



The BCS self-adapting minisensor uses new technology to detect water based conductive liquid levels in non-metallic vessels. This sensor compensates for filming, material build-up, and foaming virtually without adjustment. The self-adapting sensor is not designed for leakage detection, small quantities of liquids, or level detection of non-conductive liquids or solids.

## AC/DC 2-Wire

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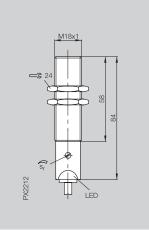
AC/DC 2-Wire M18, M30, Ø 34 mm S<sub>r</sub> 1...8 mm, 2...15 mm, 3...20 mm

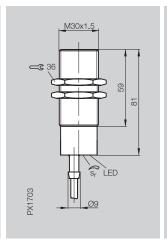
Housing size	M18	M30	Ø 34 mm
Mounting	flush	flush	flush
Nominal Operating Distance s <sub>r</sub>	18 mm	215mm	320 mm
Assured Operating Distance sa	0.76.5 mm	1.4 12.1 mm	2.216 mm

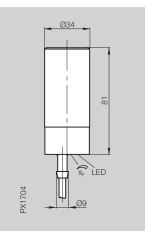












## Normally-open 3

### BCS M18KM3-UST80G-BV02 Normally-closed ® BCS M18KM3-UOT80G-BV02

## BCS M30KN2-UOT15G-AV02 BCS G34KN2-UOT20G-AV02

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BCS M30KN2-UST15G-AV02 BCS G34KN2-UST20G-AV02

Rated Operational Voltage U <sub>e</sub>	110
Supply Voltage U <sub>B</sub>	20250
Voltage Drop U <sub>d</sub> at I <sub>e</sub>	≤ 8
Insulation Rating Ui	250
Rated Operational Current le	250 mA AC/
No-Load Current Draw Io	≤ 4
Protected Against Short Circuit	no
Protected Against Reverse Polarity	no
Load Capacitance	N/
Repeat Accuracy R	≤ 1
Ambient Temperature Range Ta	-25+
Switching Frequency, max	25 Hz AC/
Utilization Categories	AC 140
LED Indicates	outpu
Degree of Protection per IEC 60529	IP (
Insulation Class	
Housing Material	PE
Sensing Face Material	PE
Connection	2m PVC
No. of Wires × Gauge	3 x 22 AWG (3
Recommend Cable	N/

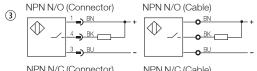
110 Vac
20250 Vac/Vdc
≤ 8 V
250 Vac
250 mA AC/ 100 mA DC
≤ 4 mA
no
no
N/A
≤ 15%
-25+80 C
25 Hz AC/50 Hz DC
AC 140/DC 13
output on
IP 67
PBT
PBT
2m PVC cable
3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm²)
N/A
CE, cULus

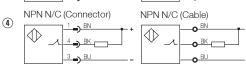
110 Vac	110 Vac		
20250 Vac/Vdc	20250 Vac/Vdc		
≤ 8 V	≤8 V		
250 Vac	250 Vac		
250 mA AC/ 100 mA DC	250 mA AC/ 100 mA DC		
≤ 5 mA	≤ 5 mA		
no	no		
no	no		
N/A	N/A		
≤ 15%	≤ 15%		
-25+70 C	-25+70 C		
25 Hz AC/50 Hz DC	25 Hz AC/50 Hz DC		
AC 140/DC 13	AC 140/DC 13		
output on	output on		
IP 67	IP 67		
PBT	PBT		
PBT	PBT		
2m PVC cable	2m PVC cable		
3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm <sup>2</sup> )	3 x 22 AWG (3 x 0.34mm <sup>2</sup> )		
N/A	N/A		

CE, cULus Mounting hardware included.

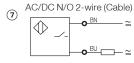
### Wiring Diagrams

<u>Approvals</u>





6 PNP/NPN NO/NC Selectable (Connector or Cable) The BCS F50-GA models come factory set for PNP N/O operation. Each sensor has selector switches that allow users to select wiring types 1) through 4).







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## Accessories

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Fits	
Mounting - switchwell	
Mounting - sensor	
Material	

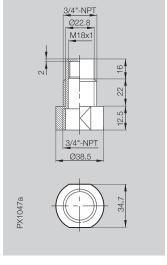
# M18 3/4" NPT with wrench flats M18 inside threaded PTFE

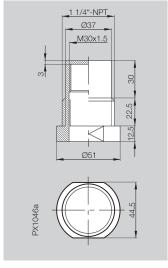
### M30 1-1/4" NPT with wrench flats M30 inside threaded PTFE

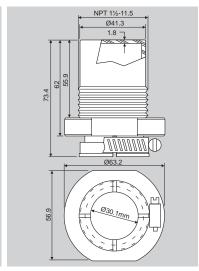
M30
1-1/2" NPT with wrench flats
Oversized M30, held with band clamp
Lexan

Protective switchwells available for bulk and liquid level detection applications. Mounting through the container wall means quick adjustment or replacement of the sensor without having to empty the tank.









Ordering code
Sensing distance
G
Thickness in front of sensor
Pressure rating
Mounting through metal wall
0 0

Reduced by the thickness of the
switchwell
2.0 mm
200 psi (13 bar)
Maintain 2xSr minimum from inside
wall surface to face of sensor

BES 18-SM-3

Reduced by the thickness of the
switchwell
3.0 mm
200 psi (13 bar)
Maintain 2xSr minimum from inside
wall curface to face of concor

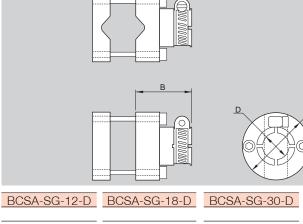
BES 30-SM-3

Reduced by the thickness of the
switchwell
1.8 mm
200 psi (13 bar)
Maintain 2xSr minimum from inside wall
surface to face of sensor

BES 30-SM-5

Fits	M12	M18	M30	Ø 34 mm	
Mounting - bracket		Split halves clam	ped with screws		
Mounting - sensor	Hose clamp				
Material	Plastic and stainless steel				





Ordering code	BCSA-SG-12-D	BCSA-SG-18-D	BCSA-SG-30-D	BCSA-SG-34-D
Dimensions (mm)				
A	10.5	11.7	19.1	19.1
B	29.5	38.1	67.8	67.8
C	38.1	45.0	69.9	69.9
D	12.1	18.1	30.1	34.1
Tube diameter (mm)	9.4-20.6	9.4-20.6	25.4-44.5	25.4-44.5
Tube diameter (inches)	0.37-0.81	0.37-0.81	1.0-1.75	1.0-1.75



For mounting to sight glass or tubing for level detection.

**Note:** Refer to the accessories section for a complete selection of standard clamps and mounting brackets.