



P138 Mid Stroke Slim-Line Linear Position Sensor

Position feedback for industrial
and scientific applications

FEATURES

- Non-contacting inductive technology to eliminate wear
- Travel set to customer's requirement
- Compact 19 mm diameter body
- High durability and reliability
- High accuracy and stability
- Sealing to IP67



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Our P138 LIPS® (Linear Inductive Position Sensor) is an affordable, durable, accurate position sensor designed for a wide range of industrial applications. It is particularly suitable for OEMs seeking good sensor performance in situations where a small diameter, short-bodied sensor is needed and cost is important. The unit is compact and space-efficient, being responsive along almost its entire length, and like all sensors provides a linear output proportional to travel. Each unit is supplied with the output calibrated to the travel required by the customer, from 51 to 100mm and with full EMC protection built in.

Overall performance, repeatability and stability are outstanding over a wide temperature range. The sensor has a compact 19 mm diameter stainless steel body, is easy to install and set up. Mounting options include body clamps or a stainless steel mounting flange with two 3.2 mm by 30 degree wide slots on a 25 mm pitch. The stainless steel plunger can be supplied free or captive, with female M4 thread, or spring-loaded with a ball end. The P138 also offers a range of mechanical options, environmental sealing is to IP67.

SPECIFICATION

Dimensions

Body diameter	19 mm
Body Length:	Dependant on calibrated travel & mounting option

Calibrated Travel

	Standard	Flange mounted
51 mm to 70 mm	132.5 mm	138 mm
71 mm to 100 mm	162.5 mm	168 mm
Plunger	Ø 6mm	

For full mechanical details see drawing P138-11

Independent Linearity

$\leq \pm 0.25\% \text{ FSO @ } 20^{\circ}\text{C}$
$\leq \pm 0.1\% \text{ FSO @ } 20^{\circ}\text{C}$ available upon request.

Temperature Coefficients

$< \pm 0.01\% / ^{\circ}\text{C}$ Gain &
$< \pm 0.01\% \text{FS} / ^{\circ}\text{C}$ Offset

Frequency Response

$> 10 \text{ kHz } (-3\text{dB})$

Resolution

Infinite

Noise

$< 0.02\% \text{ FSO}$

Environmental Temperature Limits

Operating	-40°C to $+12.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ standard
	-20°C to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$ buffered
Storage	-40°C to $+12.5^{\circ}\text{C}$

Sealing

IP67

EMC Performance

EN 61000-6-2, EN 61000-6-3

Vibration

IEC 68-2-6: 10 g

Shock

IEC 68-2-29: 40 g

MTBF

350,000 hrs 40°C Gf

Drawing List

P138-11	Sensor Outline
Drawings, in AutoCAD® dwg or dxf format, available on request.	

Do you need a position sensor made to order to suit a particular installation requirement or specification? We'll be happy to modify any of our designs to suit your needs - please contact us with your requirements.



HowPositek's PIPS® technology eliminates wear for longer life

PIPS® technology is a major advance in displacement sensor design. PIPS®-based displacement transducers have the simplicity of a potentiometer with the life of an LVDT / RVDT.

PIPS® technology combines the best in fundamental inductive principles with advanced micro-electronic integrated circuit technology. A PIPS® sensor, based on simple inductive coils using ASIC control technology, directly measures absolute position giving a DC analogue output signal. Because there is no contact between moving electrical components, reliability is high and wear is eliminated for an exceptionally long life.

PIPS® overcomes the drawbacks of LVDT technology – bulky coils, poor length-to-stroke ratio and the need for special magnetic materials. It requires no separate signal conditioning.

Our LIPS® range are linear sensors, while RIPS® are rotary units and TIPS® are for detecting tilt position. Ask us for a full technical explanation of PIPS® technology.

We also offer a range of ATEX-qualified intrinsically safe sensors.

TABLE OF OPTIONS

CALIBRATED TRAVEL: Factory set to any length from 0-51mm to 0-100mm (e.g. 76mm).

ELECTRICAL INTERFACE OPTIONS

OUTPUT SIGNAL	SUPPLY INPUT	OUTPUT LOAD
Standard:		
0.5-4.5V dc ratiometric	+5V dc nom. \pm 0.5V.	5k Ω min.
Buffered:		
0.5-4.5V dc	+24V dc nom. + 9-28V.	5k Ω min.
0.5-9.5V dc	+24V dc nom. + 13-28V.	5k Ω min.
4-20mA	+24V dc nom. + 13-28V.	300R Max.
Supply Current	10mA typical, 20mA max. plus O/P current	

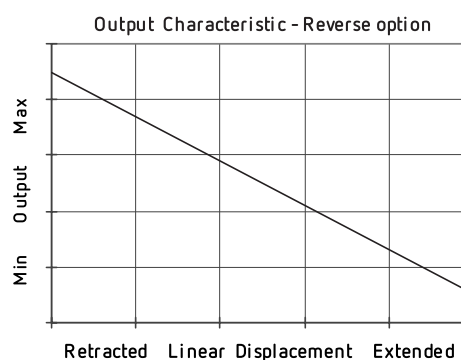
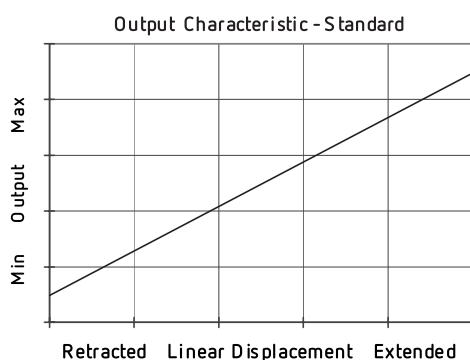
CONNECTOR/CABLE OPTIONS

Connector - M8 IEC 60947-5-2	IP67
Cable with M8 gland	IP67
Cable length >5.0 cm	– please specify length in cm

MOUNTING OPTIONS

Flange, Body Tube Clamp.

PUSH ROD OPTIONS – standard retained with M4x0.7 female thread
Sprung loaded (spring supplied loose), Dome end (sprung loaded) or Free.





HOW TO ORDER

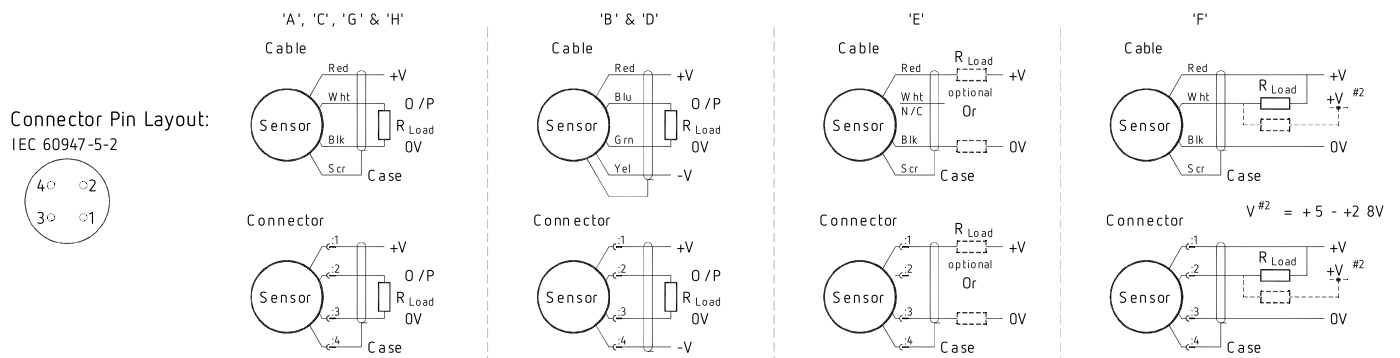
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P138	Displacement	Output	Connections	Option	Option	Option	Option	Z-code

a Displacement (mm)		Value
Displacement in mm	e.g. 0 - 66 mm	66
b Output		
Supply V dc V _s (tolerance)	Output	Code
+5V (4.5 - 5.5V)	0.5 - 4.5V (ratiometric with supply)	A
+24V nom. (13 - 28V)	0.5 - 9.5V	C
+24V nom. (9 - 28V)	0.5 - 4.5V	G
+24V nom. (13 - 28V)	4 - 20mA 3 wire Source	H
c Connections Cable* or Connector		Code
Connector	IP67 M8 IEC 60947-5-2	J
Cable Gland	IP67 M8	Lxx
*Supplied with 50 cm as standard, specify required cable length specified in cm. e.g. L2000 specifies cable gland with 20 metres of cable. Nb: restricted cable pull strength.		
d Housing		Code
Standard - default		blank
Flange Mount		N
e Body Fittings		Code
None - default		blank
Body Clamps - 1 pair		P
f Sprung Plunger		Code
None - default		blank
Spring Extend	Captive plunger only.	R
g Plunger Fittings		Code
None - default	Female Thread M4x0.7x7 deep	blank
Dome end	Required for option 'R'	T
h Plunger Options		Code
Captive - default	Plunger is retained	blank
Non-captive	Plunger can depart body	V
j Z-code		Code
≤± 0.1 % @2 0°C Independent Linearity displacement between 10mm & 50mm only!		Z650
Connector with cable option 'J' with length required in cm i.e. J100 specifies connector with 100cm of cable.		Z999

INSTALLATION INFORMATION

Output Option	Output Description:	Supply Voltage: V_s (tolerance)	Load resistance: (include leads for 4 to 20mA O/Ps)
A	0.5 - 4.5V (ratiometric with supply)	+ 5V (4.5 - 5.5V)	$\geq 5k\Omega$
C	0.5 - 9.5V	+ 24V nom. (13 - 28V)	$\geq 5k\Omega$
G	0.5 - 4.5V	+ 24V nom. (9 - 28V)	$\geq 5k\Omega$
H	4 - 20 mA	+ 24V nom. (13 - 28V)	300R MAX

Not all output options available - see product datasheet for full options list



Gain and Offset Adjustment: Not available.

Mechanical Mounting: Flange mounted or by clamping the sensor body - body clamps are available, if not already ordered. The flange slots are 3.2 mm by 30 degrees wide on a 25 mm pitch.

Output Characteristic: Plunger extended, at start of normal travel, from mounting face by:

Standard body : 36.5 mm*

Flanged body : 34 mm*

*Note: where ball end option is fitted add 5 mm.

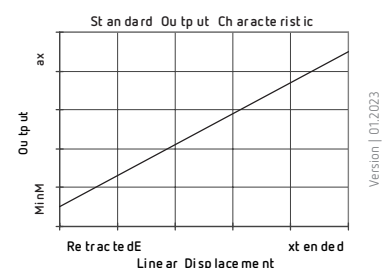
The output increases as the plunger extends from the sensor body, the calibrated stroke is between 51 mm and 100 mm.

Incorrect Connection Protection levels:

A Not protected – the sensor is not protected against either reverse polarity or over-voltage. The risk of damage should be minimal where the supply current is limited to less than 50mA.

C & G Supply leads diode protected. Output must not be taken outside 0 to 12V.

H Supply and output lead diode protected. Do not take output negative of 0 volts.



ELECTRICAL OPTIONS / SPECIFICATIONS

A	FIRST ISSUE - RAN1063/RAN1068.	PDM
B	RANGE NOTE AMENDED - RAN1200	PDM
C	A TO 20ma ADDED RAN1256	RDS

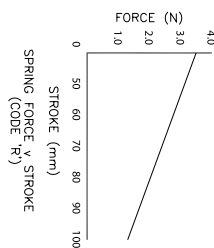
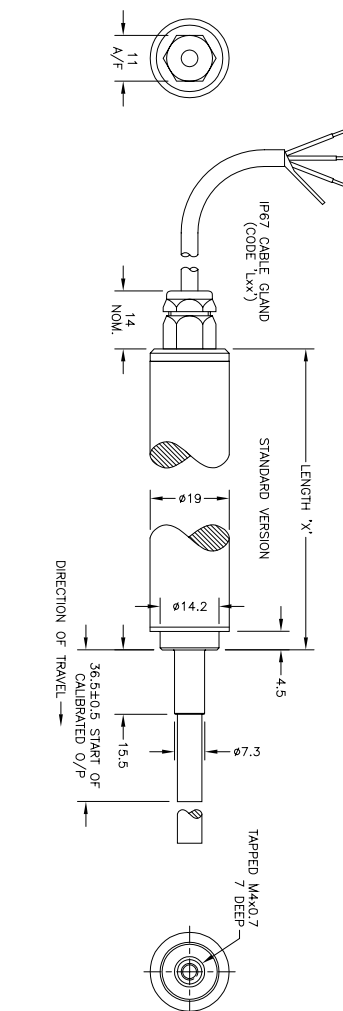
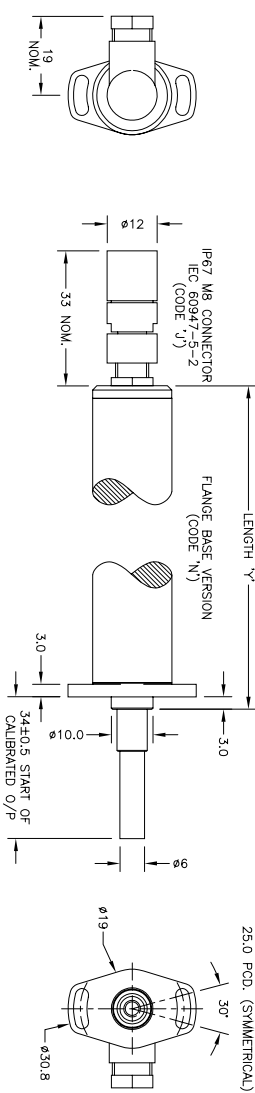
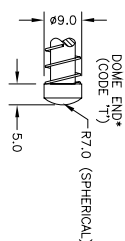



CE THE PLUNGER RETRACTS 90mm FROM START OF CALIBRATED TRAVEL (2mm FOR SPRUNG VERSIONS), AND EXTENDS 11mm* BEYOND END OF MECHANICAL TRAVEL. *DOES NOT INCLUDE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CALIBRATED AND MECHANICAL TRAVEL, DIMENSIONS ARE NOMINAL.

V CODED PLUNGER WILL DEPART SENSOR BODY.

DIMENSIONS NOT TO BE CHANGED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO THE CHANGE PROCEDURE.
DIMENSIONS MAY VARY SLIGHTLY. ALWAYS USE APPROPRIATELY SPECIFIED MATERIALS.
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NOTE: SENSORS ARE MADE IN FOUR STANDARD LENGTHS.	
TRAWL (mm)	BODY LENGTH: (mm)
0-51 TO 0-70	70
0-71 TO 0-100	100
CALIBRATED MECHANICAL	
	X' STANDARD
	Y' FLANGE
	132.5
	138.0
	162.5
	168.0



A	25/11/15		CHECKED BY X.X X.X X.X X.X
B	06/09/17		-
C	06/09/18		DIMS mm
		DESCRIPTION	
		P138 MID STROKE SLIM- LINE LINEAR POSITION SENSOR	
SCALE 10mm			
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ELECTRICAL OPTIONS / SPECIFICATIONS		
OUTPUT OPTION	OUTPUT	SUPPLY
A	0.5 TO 4.5V	5V
B	0.5 TO 9.5V	24V
C	0.5 TO 4.5V	24V
G	4 TO 20mA	24V
H		24V MAX.
		SUPPLY CURRENT 12mA TYP. PLUS 0/P CURRENT

ELECTRICAL OPTIONS, SPECIFICATIONS			
OUTPUT	0.5 TO 4.5V	RATOMETRIC	STANDARD
	0.5 TO 9.5V	5V	
	0.5 TO 15.5V	24V	
	4.0 TO 20mA	24V	1 } BUFFERED
CURRENT	CURRENT 12mA TYP.	20mA MAX.	PLUS O/P CURRENT
CABLE:	0.2mm ² , O/A SCREEN, PUR JACKET	SUPPLIED	
	WITH 50cm OR REQUIRED LENGTH IN CM.	E.G. 'L50'	
3-CORE JACKET	44mm		
3-CORE CONNECTOR	CONNECTIONS:		
BLACK	1	IN/VE	
WHITE	:2	OUTPUT	
SCREEN	:4	BODY	
**CONNECTORS: MAXIMUM CONDUCTOR CROSS SECTION 0.25mm ²			
RANGE OF DISPLACEMENT FROM 0-2mm TO 0-50mm 9.5,36.			
IN INCREMENT OF 1mm.			
BODY MATERIAL:- STAINLESS STEEL.			
FLANGE BASE MATERIAL:- STAINLESS STEEL (CODE 'N')			
FURTHER OPTIONS:			
SINGLE PAIR OF BODY CLAMPS (CODE 'P')			
SPRUNG PLUNGER, TO EXTENDED POSITION (CODE 'R')			
DOVE END (CODE 'T') IN CONJUNCTION WITH SPRUNG			
PLUNGER (CODE 'R')			
PLUNGER FREE (CODE 'V')			
NOT AVAILABLE WITH SPRUNG OPTIONS.			