

# POSITION AND MOTION SENSORS



# **Linear Encoder Selection Guide**



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#### **PRODUCTS**



#### **IXARC Rotary Encoders**

Motion control applications – ranging from factory automation to mobile machinery – require accurate, realtime information about the location of mechanical equipment. The IXARC line of absolute rotary encoders provide precise and reliable measurement of the angular positions of joints, drive shafts, pulleys, etc... Available electronic connections range from simple analog outputs to sophisticated fieldbus and Industrial Ethernet interfaces.

#### **TILTIX Inclinometers**

Accurate measurement of tilt or inclination is very important for motion control and safety systems. Inclinometers provide single or dual-axis angle measurement in an economical package. Relying on gravity for their measurement, these sensors have no exposed moving parts, resulting in easy mounting and high environmental protection.



#### **LINARIX Linear Sensors**

Many applications require linear motion to be monitored for system control or to ensure safety. With lengths ranging from 1 m to 10 m (3' to 33'), LINARIX draw wire sensors are available in many configurations to meet an application's requirements. Options include a wide variety of outputs (including analog, fieldbus and Ethernet variants), heavy duty housings and compact designs.

#### **Accessories**

POSITAL offers a wide variety of accessories that simplify sensor installation. Mating connectors of different styles and lengths ensure proper electrical connections. Using appropriate mounting accessories minimize wear and tear on encoders and help to ensure a long and reliable life cycle. Interface modules and displays are also available to provide users with immediate access to measurements.





#### TECHNOLOGY LINARIX LINEAR SENSORS



#### **Repeatable Length Measurement**

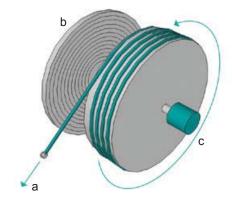
POSITAL's LINARIX draw wire sensors measure linear motion by displacing a retractable steel wire (a) wound around a cable drum (b) that actuates the rotary encoder (c) coupled to it. The encoder in return provides a proportional output. Measurements are highly accurate, reliable and the systems have very long lifetimes. The LINARIX line offers a wide range of measurement lengths ranging from 1 m to 10 m (3' to 33') and also provides position output in almost all available industrial interfaces both analog and digital.

Compared to conventional linear pots and linear measurement systems using multiple gears and encoders, the LINARIX line of sensors are more



durable and can directly replace them, additionally, avoiding the common problems of slippage, wear and tear damage. The draw wire sensors from POSITAL provide extremely precise measurements because of the inherent accuracy of the encoders and the rugged construction ensures reliable performance even under extreme conditions.

The POSITAL product offering has been categorized based on robustness and length giving the customer maximum selectability based on their respective application.





# PRODUCT OVERVIEW LINARIX LINEAR SENSORS

Draw Wire Encoders with Machined Metal Housing									
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Measuring Range in m [in]	1.25 [49]	1.74 [69]	2.00 [79]	3.00 [118]					
Communication	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,					
Interface1)	CANopen,	CANopen,	CANopen,	CANopen,					
	DeviceNet	DeviceNet	DeviceNet	DeviceNet					
Accuracy in [±FSO%]	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.04					
Wire Material	Nylon Coated	Coated Polyamide	Plastic Coated	Nylon Coated					
	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel					
Wire Diameter in mm	Ø 0.48	Ø 0.45	Ø 0.45	Ø 0.48					
Draw Wire Housing	Machined Metal,	Machined Metal,	Machined Metal,	Machined Metal,					
Material	Rectangualar Housing	Cylindrical Housing	Rectangualar Housing	Rectangualar Housing					
Operating	-40 to +94	-20 to +80	-10 to +80	-40 to +94					
Temperature in °C [°F]	[-40 to 201]	[-4 to 176]	[14 to 176]	[-40 to 201]					
Max. Extension Force in N	2.34	5.00	2	3.90					
Min. Retraction Force in N	1.26	3.50	1.2	2.10					
Linear Resolution <sup>2)</sup> in µm	24	36	24	49					
Drum Circumference in mm [in]	Ø 100 [3.9]	Ø 149 [5.9]	Ø 100 [3.9]	Ø 200 [7.9]					
Type Key	LAC	LPC	LCN	LBC					

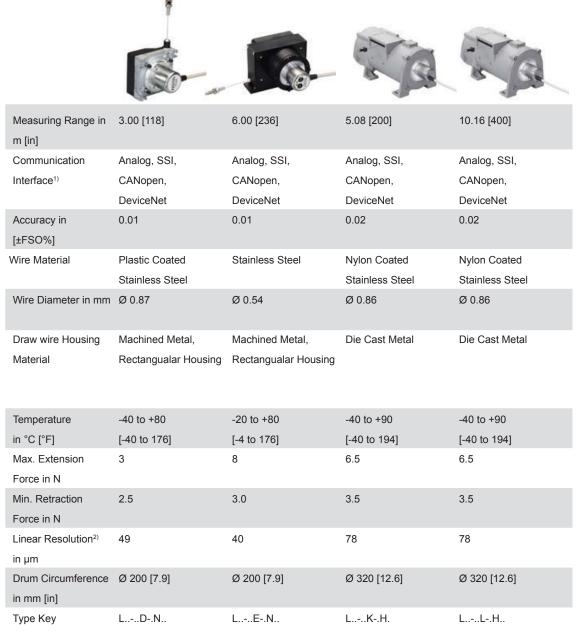
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Please refer to the product finder on our website for all possible combinations.

<sup>2)</sup> Based on an encoder with 12 Bit Resolution

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#### Draw Wire Encoders with Machined Metal Housing or Die Cast Metal Housing



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# Draw Wire Encoders with Extruded Metal Housing or Plastic Housing



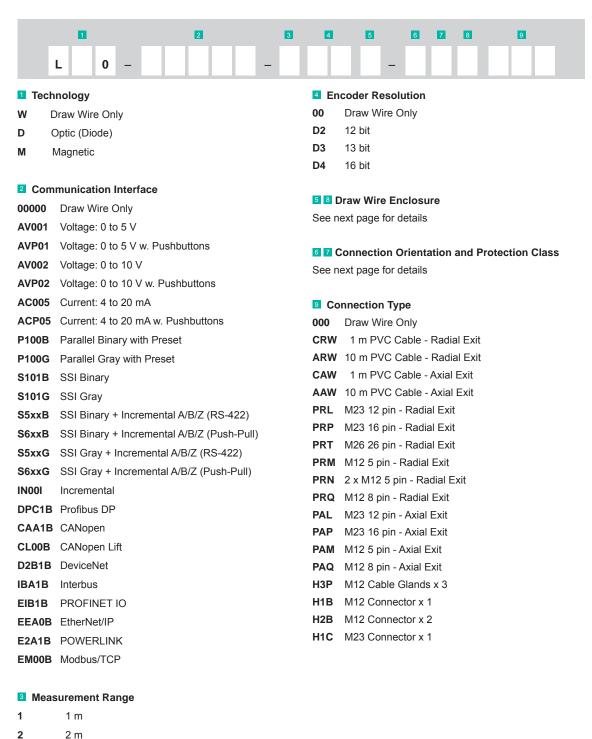
Measuring Range in m [in]	3.00 [118]	5.00 [197]	10.00 [394]	1.25 [49]	2.10 [83]
Communication	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,	Analog, SSI,
Interface <sup>1)</sup>	CANopen,	CANopen,	CANopen,	CANopen,	CANopen,
	DeviceNet	DeviceNet	DeviceNet	DeviceNet	DeviceNet
Accuracy in [±FSO%]	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.05
Wire Material	Coated Polyamide	Nylon Coated	Nylon Coated	Coated Polyamide	Coated Polyam
	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel	Stainless Steel
Wire Diameter	Ø 0.80	Ø 1.00	Ø 1.00	Ø 0.36	Ø 0.45
in mm					
Draw wire Housing Material	Extruded Metal	Extruded Metal	Extruded Metal	Plastic	Plastic
Temperature	-20 to +80	-20 to +80	-20 to +80	-20 to +80	-20 to +80
in °C [°F]	[-4 to 176]	[-4 to 176]	[-4 to 176]	[-4 to 176]	[-4 to 176]
Max. Extension	9.0	16.0	21.0	1.50	5.00
Force in N					
Min. Retraction	5.5	4.0	8.0	1.00	3.50
Force in N					
Linear Reso-	63	77	77	31	52
lution <sup>2)</sup> in µm					
Drum Circumfe-	Ø 260 [10.2]	Ø 315 [12.4]	Ø 315 [12.4]	Ø 125 [4.9]	Ø 215 [8.5]
rence in mm [in]					
Type Key	LFH	LGH.	LHH	LNC	LMC

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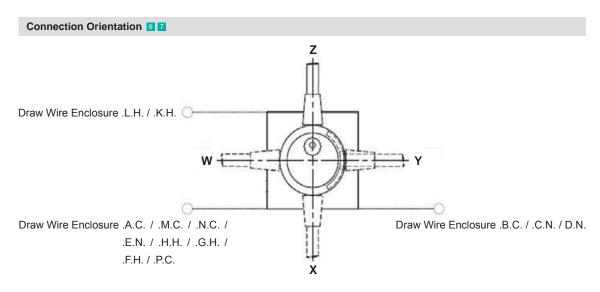
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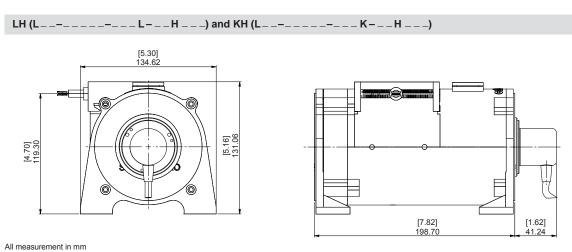
10 m

#### **Mechanical Options LINARIX Linear Sensors**

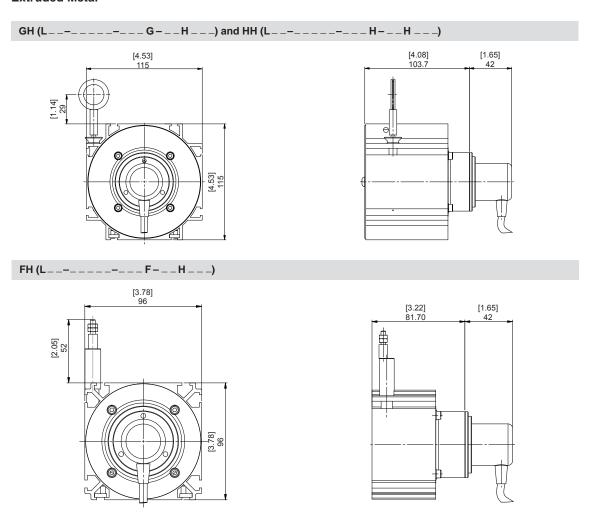


Connection Exit selected based on Draw Wire Enclosure 5. When Connection Type is "Draw Wire Only" then Connection Orientation 5 is 0.

#### **Die Cast Metal**



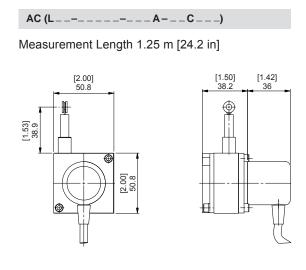
#### **Extruded Metal**



# Machined Metal - Cylindrical Housing

# PC (L \_ - \_ \_ P - \_ C \_ \_ ) [1.91] [48.50] [42] [88.7] [3.15] [80]

# Machined Metal - Rectangular Housing

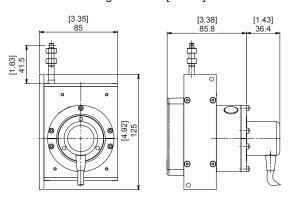


All measurement in mm

# Machined Metal - Rectangular Housing

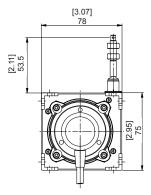
#### EN (L\_\_-\_ E-\_ N \_\_\_)

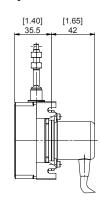
Measurement Length 6.00 m [236 in]



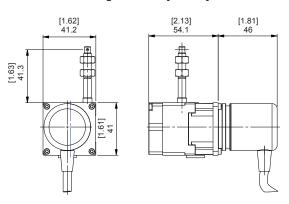


Measurement Length 3.00 m [118 in]



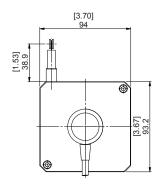


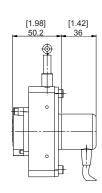
Measurement Length 2.00 m [78.7 in]





Measurement Length 3.00 m [118 in]

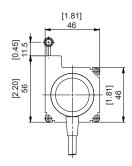


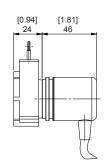


# **Plastic**

# NC (L\_\_-\_\_ N-\_\_C\_\_)

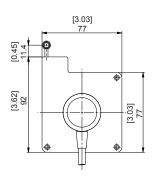
Measurement Length 1.25 m [24.2 in]

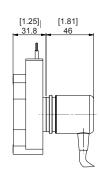






Measurement Length 2.10 m [82.7 in]





All measurement in mm

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