

# M18T Series T-GAGE® Temperature Sensor with Discrete Outputs



## Features

18 mm sensor with discrete output and TEACH configuration

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- Fast 25 ms response time with up to 20 Hz switching speed
- Easy-to-use TEACH configuration without potentiometer adjustments
- Small, self-contained package; no auxiliary controller needed
- Rugged encapsulated design for harsh environments
- Choice of 2-meter or 9-meter unterminated cable, or 5-pin M12 quick disconnect
- Product motion is not required for sensing
- Remote configuration is available in both Static and Dynamic modes

### WARNING:



- **Do not use this device for personnel protection**
- Using this device for personnel protection could result in serious injury or death.
- This device does not include the self-checking redundant circuitry necessary to allow its use in personnel safety applications. A device failure or malfunction can cause either an energized (on) or de-energized (off) output condition.

### WARNING:



- **N'utilisez pas ce dispositif pour la protection du personnel.**
- L'utilisation de ce dispositif pour la protection du personnel pourrait entraîner des blessures graves ou mortelles.
- Ce dispositif n'est pas équipé du circuit redondant d'autodiagnostic nécessaire pour être utilisé dans des applications de protection du personnel. Une panne ou un dysfonctionnement du dispositif peut entraîner l'activation ou la désactivation de la sortie.

## Models

Model	Connection <sup>(1)</sup>	D:S Ratio	Sensing Face	Supply Voltage	Output
M18TB8	2 m (6.5 ft) unterminated 5-wire shielded cable	8:1	Integrated lens	10 V DC to 30 V DC	Bipolar (NPN and PNP)
M18TB8Q	Integral 5-pin M12 male quick-disconnect connector				
M18TB6E	2 m (6.5 ft) unterminated 5-wire shielded cable	6:1	Enclosed plastic face (for food industry use)		
M18TB6EQ	Integral 5-pin M12 male quick-disconnect connector				
M18TB14	2 m (6.5 ft) unterminated 5-wire shielded cable	14:1	Germanium lens		
M18TB14Q	Integral 5-pin M12 male quick-disconnect connector				

## Overview

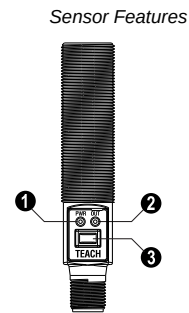
The T-GAGE analog sensor is a passive, non-contacting, temperature-based device. It is used to detect objects that are either hotter or colder than the ambient condition and then activate an output.

Although it looks and operates just like an Expert™ photoelectric sensor, the T-GAGE detects the infrared light energy emitted by objects instead of its own emitted light. The sensor uses a thermopile detector, made up of multiple infrared-sensitive elements (thermocouples) to detect this infrared energy within its field of view (see "[M18T Sensing Field of View](#)" on page 2).

<sup>(1)</sup> To order the 9 m (30 ft) PVC cable model, add the suffix "W/30" to the cabled model number. For example, **M18TB8 W/30**. Models with a quick disconnect require a mating cordset.

Potential applications include:

- Hot part detection (baked goods, metals, bottles)
- Ejection verification of injection-molded parts
- Flame process verification
- Hot glue detection (packaging equipment, book binding)
- Cold part detection (frozen foods, ice, dairy)
- Roller monitoring



1. Power LED
2. Alarm Output LED
3. Push Button

**NOTE:** The T-GAGE M18T sensor is not intended for absolute temperature measurement or for safety-related fire detection use.

**NOTE:** Le T-GAGE M18T n'est pas conçu pour une mesure de température absolue ni pour une utilisation dans le cadre de sécurité pour la détection de feu.

## Indicators

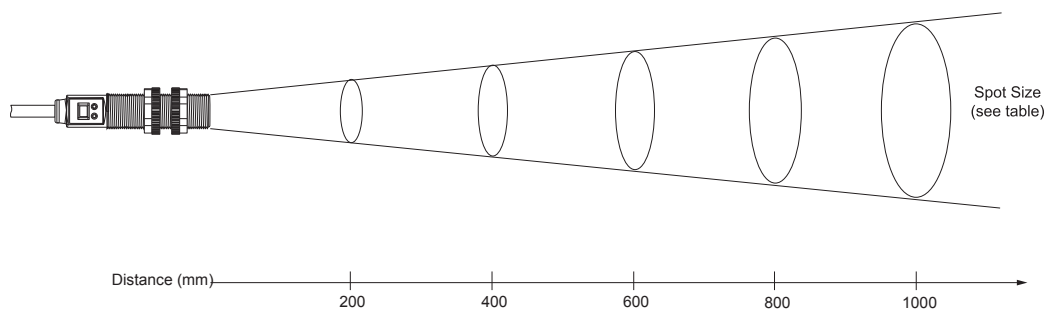
Power ON/OFF LED	Indicates
OFF	Power is OFF
ON Green	Sensor is in Run mode
ON Red	TEACH is active

Output LED	Indicates
OFF	<b>Run Mode:</b> Output is OFF <b>2-Point TEACH active:</b> Waiting for Output OFF condition
ON Amber	<b>Run Mode:</b> Output is energized <b>2-Point TEACH active:</b> Waiting for Output ON condition
Flashing Amber	Dynamic TEACH active

## Sensing Field of View

Sensing range is determined by the sensor's field of view or viewing angle, combined with the size of the object(s) being detected. The sensor's distance-to-spot size ratio (D:S ratio) is inversely related to the viewing angle; a sensor with a small viewing angle will have a large D:S ratio. The T-GAGE M18T sensors have D:S ratios of 6:1, 8:1 or 14:1. For a sensor with an 8:1 D:S ratio, the sensor spot size is a 1" diameter circle at a distance of 8"; farther from the sensor face the spot size will be larger.

*Detection spot size versus distance from sensor*



Sensor D:S Ratio	Distance from Sensor Face Versus Spot Size										Distance (mm)
	100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	
6:1	17	33	50	67	83	100	117	133	150	167	Spot Size (mm)
8:1	13	25	38	50	63	75	88	100	113	125	
14:1	7	14	21	29	36	43	50	57	64	71	

# Apparent Temperature

Two factors that have an influence on apparent temperature are the object's emissivity and whether or not the object fills the sensor's field of view.

## Object Emissivity

A "blackbody" is a "perfect" emitter, with an emissivity of 1.0 at all temperatures and wavelengths. Most surfaces emit only a fraction of the amount of thermal energy that a blackbody would. Typical T-GAGE applications will be sensing objects with emissivities ranging from 0.5 to 0.95. Many references are available with tables of emissivity coefficients for common materials. In general, shiny unpainted metals have low emissivity, while non-glossy surfaces have high emissivity.

## Shiny Surfaces

A mirror or shiny surface can redirect an object's emitted energy to an undesired location, or even bring additional unintended thermal energy into the sensor's field of view. See "Application Note" on page 7.

## Object Size

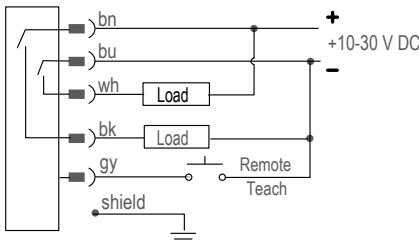
If the object being detected does not fill the sensor's field of view, then the sensor averages the temperature of that object and whatever else is in the sensing field of view. For the sensor to collect the maximum amount of energy, the object should completely fill the sensor's field of view. In some applications, when the object is too small, this may not be possible. In such cases, if the object is hot enough, the thermal contrast may still be adequate to trigger the sensor output.

# Installation

## Installation Note

Align the sensor toward the object to be detected. Visually align if possible, or use the alignment device accessory listed in "M18T Additional Accessories" on page 8.

# Wiring Diagrams



**NOTE:** Cabled wiring diagrams are functionally identical.

**NOTE:** Connect the shield wire to earth ground or DC common. Shielded cordsets are recommended for all quick disconnect models.

# Sensor Configuration

Configure the sensor using one of two TEACH methods:

- Two-Point Static TEACH
- Dynamic TEACH

Use the push button or remote input to configure the sensor.

**NOTE:** The duration of each remote line pulse (corresponding to a push button "click"), and the period between multiple pulses, are defined as "T": 0.04 seconds < T < 0.8 seconds.

## Push Button Enable/Disable

The push button can be disabled using the remote input wire (gray) to prevent unauthorized adjustment. To disable the push button, connect a normally open switch between the remote input wire and dc common or connect the remote input wire to a digital output on a Programmable Logic Controller (PLC). Perform the procedure below to enable or disable the push button, where 0.04 s < T < 0.8 s.

Method	Action		Result
Remote Input	Pulse the remote line four times.		The push button is enabled or disabled, depending on the previous condition.

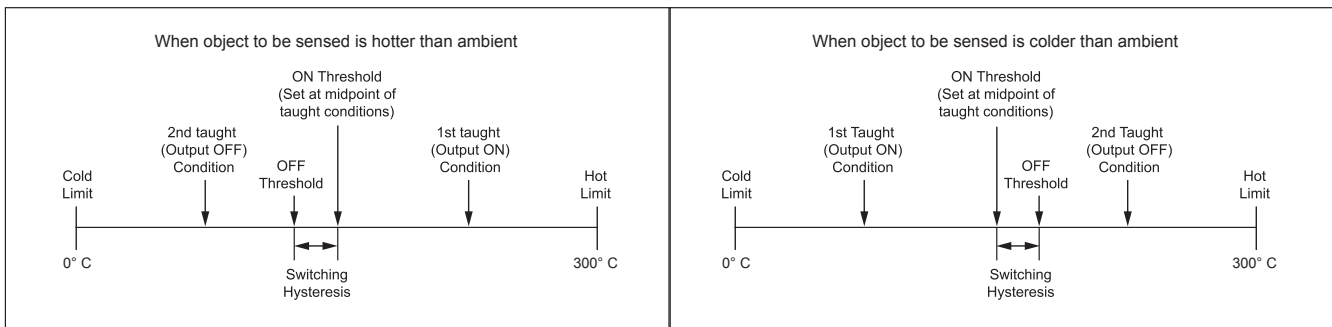
## 2-Point Static TEACH

Use 2-Point Static TEACH configuration method for applications where both ON and OFF target conditions can be presented to the sensor statically by the operator. The sensor establishes a single sensing threshold (the switchpoint) midway between the two configured conditions, with the Output ON condition on one side and the Output OFF condition on the other.


**NOTE:** The sensor returns to RUN mode if the first 2-Point Static TEACH condition is not configured within 60 seconds.

**NOTE:** After the first condition is configured, the sensor remains in 2-Point Static TEACH configuration until the second condition is configured.



2-Point Static TEACH





1. Access 2-Point Static TEACH configuration.

Method	Action		Result
Push Button	Press and hold the button for 2 seconds.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Power LED turns Red</li><li>Output LED turns Amber</li></ul>
Remote Input (0.04 s < T < 0.8 s)	No action required.		

2. Present the output ON condition.

Method	Action		Result
Push Button	Press the button one time.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Output LED turns OFF</li></ul>
Remote Input	Pulse the remote line one time.		

3. Present the output OFF condition.

Method	Action		Result
Push Button	Press the button one time.		<b>TEACH Accepted</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Power LED turns Green</li><li>The sensor configures switching threshold and returns to Run mode</li></ul> <b>2-Point Static TEACH Not Accepted</b> <p>The sensor returns to the beginning of the TEACH configuration.</p>
Remote Input	Pulse the remote line one time.		


**NOTE:** To exit 2-Point Static TEACH configuration without saving a configuration, press and hold the push button for 2 seconds or hold the remote line for 2 seconds. The sensor will return to Run mode without saving a configuration.

## Dynamic TEACH



Use Dynamic TEACH configuration method for applications where both the ON and OFF target conditions can not be presented to the sensor dynamically by the operator. After the configuration has been completed, the threshold at the midpoint is optimized by the sensor halfway between the average signals presented during the Dynamic TEACH configuration.

The duration of each button click or remote input pulse is defined as T, where T is:  $0.04\text{ s} < T < 0.8\text{ s}$ .



1. Access Dynamic TEACH configuration.

Method	Action		Result
Push Button	Press and hold the button for 2 seconds.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power LED turns Red</li> <li>Output LED turns Amber</li> </ul>
Remote Input	No action required.		

2. Present the sensing conditions.

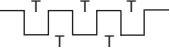
Method	Action		Result
Push Button	Press the button two times.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensor begins Dynamic TEACH configuration</li> <li>Output LED flashes Amber at 2 Hz</li> </ul>
Remote Input	Pulse the remote line two times.		

3. End Dynamic TEACH configuration.

Method	Action		Result
Push Button	Press the button one time.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The sensor ends data collection; configures the threshold</li> <li>Power LED turns Green</li> <li>The sensor returns to Run mode</li> </ul>
Remote Input	Pulse the remote line one time.		

## Hot Operate/Cold Operate Select

Configure the sensor for Hot Operate or Cold Operate using the remote input wire (gray). Pulse the remote line three times to toggle between Hot and Cold Operate. The duration of each button click or remote input pulse is defined as T, where T is:  $0.04\text{ s} < T < 0.8\text{ s}$ .

Method	Action		Result
Remote Input	Pulse the remote line three times.		Hot Operate or Cold Operate is selected, depending on the previous condition.

## Specifications

### Temperature Measurement Range

0 °C to +300 °C (+32 °F to +572 °F)  
Custom ranges available upon request

### Sensing Range

Depends on object size and sensing field of view (see "[M18T Sensing Field of View](#)" on page 2)

### Wavelength

8 µm to 14 µm

### Distance to Spot Size (D:S) Ratio

6:1, 8:1, or 14:1, depending on model

### Supply Voltage

10 V DC to 30 V DC (10% maximum ripple)  
35 mA maximum (exclusive of load)

### Output Configuration

One NPN and one PNP in each model

### Output Protection

Protected against short-circuit conditions

### Output Ratings

100 mA maximum (each output)  
OFF-state leakage current: NPN < 200 microamps; PNP < 10 microamps  
NPN saturation: < 200 mV at 10 mA and < 1 V at 100 mA  
PNP saturation: < 1.2 V at 10 mA and < 1.6 V at 100 mA

### Delay at Power-Up

1.5 seconds

### Output Response Time

25 ms

### Repeatability (Relative)

1 °C

### Minimum Taught Differential

3 °C

**Hysteresis**

5% of taught differential (minimum 1 °C)

**Adjustments**

TEACH configuration

**Indicators**

One bicolor (Green/Red) status LED, one Amber LED (see "M18T Indicators" on page 2)

**Remote Teach Input**

Impedance: 3 kΩ

**Construction**

Threaded Barrel: 304 stainless steel

Push Button Housing: ABS/PC

Push Button: Santoprene

Lightpipes: Acrylic

**Required Overcurrent Protection**

**WARNING:** Electrical connections must be made by qualified personnel in accordance with local and national electrical codes and regulations.

Overcurrent protection is required to be provided by end product application per the supplied table.

Overcurrent protection may be provided with external fusing or via Current Limiting, Class 2 Power Supply.

Supply wiring leads < 24 AWG shall not be spliced.

For additional product support, go to [www.bannerengineering.com](http://www.bannerengineering.com).

Supply Wiring (AWG)	Required Overcurrent Protection (A)	Supply Wiring (AWG)	Required Overcurrent Protection (A)
20	5.0	26	1.0
22	3.0	28	0.8
24	1.0	30	0.5

**Operating Conditions**

-20 °C to +70 °C (-4 °F to +158 °F)

**Environmental Rating**

Leakproof design, IP67

**Temperature Warm-Up Time**

5 minutes

**Certifications**

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Class 2 power

**Protection contre la surintensité requise**

**NOTE:** Les raccordements électriques doivent être effectués par du personnel qualifié conformément aux réglementations et codes électriques nationaux et locaux.

Une protection de surintensité doit être fournie par l'installation du produit final, conformément au tableau fourni.

Vous pouvez utiliser un fusible externe ou la limitation de courant pour offrir une protection contre la surtension dans le cas d'une source d'alimentation de classe 2.

Les fils d'alimentation < 24 AWG ne peuvent pas être raccordés.

Pour obtenir un support produit supplémentaire, rendez-vous sur le site [www.bannerengineering.com](http://www.bannerengineering.com).

Câblage d'alimentation (AWG)	Protection contre la surtension requise (ampères)	Câblage d'alimentation (AWG)	Protection contre la surtension requise (ampères)
20	5.0	26	1.0
22	3.0	28	0.8
24	2.0	30	0.5

**FCC Part 15 Class A for Unintentional Radiators**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

(Part 15.21) Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

**Industry Canada ICES-003(A)**

This device complies with CAN ICES-3 (A)/NMB-3(A). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: 1) This device may not cause harmful interference; and 2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Cet appareil est conforme à la norme NMB-3(A). Le fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) ce dispositif ne peut pas occasionner d'interférences, et (2) il doit tolérer toute interférence, y compris celles susceptibles de provoquer un fonctionnement non souhaité du dispositif.

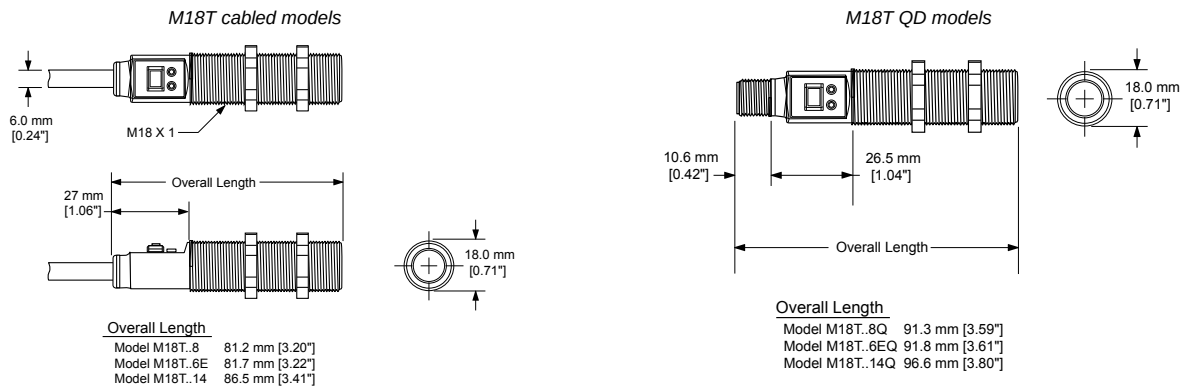
## Application Note

The following are examples of materials with high and low emissivity. Additional examples can be found online.

Sensor-Friendly Materials (High Emissivity)		Materials to Sense with Caution (Low Emissivity)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aluminum - anodized</li> <li>Asphalt</li> <li>Brick</li> <li>Carbon - lampblack or plate material</li> <li>Cardboard - corrugated or chipboard</li> <li>Concrete</li> <li>Glass - smooth, lead, or borosilicate (e.g., Pyrex®)</li> <li>Gypsum (including finished boards)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ice</li> <li>Iron and steel (except bright galvanized)</li> <li>Paper - most types, regardless of color</li> <li>Styrofoam® insulation</li> <li>Plastics</li> <li>Water</li> <li>Wood - most types</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aluminum - plain or highly polished</li> <li>Copper</li> <li>Galvanized iron</li> <li>Stainless steel</li> <li>Vapor-deposited materials</li> </ul>

## Dimensions

All measurements are listed in millimeters, unless noted otherwise. The measurements provided are subject to change.



## Accessories

### Cordsets

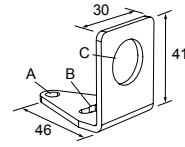
5-Pin Single-Ended M12 Female Shielded Cordsets				
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Female)
MQDEC2-506	2 m (6.56 ft)	Straight		
MQDEC2-515	5 m (16.4 ft)			
MQDEC2-530	9 m (29.5 ft)			
MQDEC2-550	15 m (49.2 ft)			
MQDEC2-575	23 m (75.44 ft)			
MQDEC2-5100	30.5 m (100 ft)			
MQDEC2-506RA	2 m (6.56 ft)	Right-Angle		<p>1 = Brown 2 = White 3 = Blue 4 = Black 5 = Gray</p>
MQDEC2-515RA	5 m (16.4 ft)			
MQDEC2-530RA	9 m (29.5 ft)			
MQDEC2-550RA	15 m (49.2 ft)			
MQDEC2-575RA	23 m (75.44 ft)			
MQDEC2-5100RA	31 m (101.68 ft)			

## Brackets

### SMB18A

- Right-angle mounting bracket with a curved slot for versatile orientation
- 12-ga. stainless steel
- 18 mm sensor mounting hole
- Clearance for M4 (#8) hardware

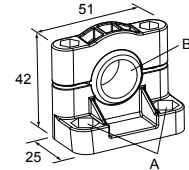
**Hole center spacing:** A to B = 24.2  
**Hole size:** A =  $\varnothing$  4.6, B = 17.0 × 4.6, C =  $\varnothing$  18.5



### SMB18SF

- 18 mm swivel bracket with M18 × 1 internal thread
- Black thermoplastic polyester
- Stainless steel swivel locking hardware included

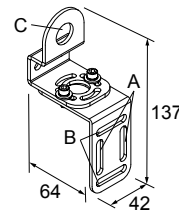
**Hole center spacing:** A = 36.0  
**Hole size:** A =  $\varnothing$  5.3, B =  $\varnothing$  18.0



### SMB18UR

- 2-piece universal swivel bracket
- 300 series stainless steel
- Stainless steel swivel locking hardware included
- Mounting hole for 18 mm sensor

**Hole center spacing:** A = 25.4, B = 46.7  
**Hole size:** B = 6.9 × 32.0, C =  $\varnothing$  18.3



## Additional Accessories

### Laser Alignment Tool - LAT1812

- Enables easy sensor alignment at long distances.
- Kit includes one SMB1812 bracket and an M12 laser emitter.
- Thread bracket housing onto barrel of mounted sensor; M12 laser emitter inserted into housing provides a precise laser spot for aiming temperature sensor. (Refer to Banner data sheet p/n 122529 for more information.)
- Remove the laser emitter before using the sensor.



## Product Support and Maintenance

### Clean Sensor with Compressed Air and Water

Handle the sensor with care during installation and operation. Sensor windows soiled by fingerprints, dust, water, oil, etc. create stray light that may degrade the peak performance of the sensor.

Blow the window clear using filtered, compressed air, then clean as necessary using only water and a lint-free cloth. Do not use any other chemicals for cleaning.

### Repairs

Contact Banner Engineering for troubleshooting of this device. **Do not attempt any repairs to this Banner device; it contains no field-replaceable parts or components.** If the device, device part, or device component is determined to be defective by a Banner Applications Engineer, they will advise you of Banner's RMA (Return Merchandise Authorization) procedure.

**IMPORTANT:** If instructed to return the device, pack it with care. Damage that occurs in return shipping is not covered by warranty.

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