



Specifications

Platform	201- -					
Model	1-635	1-650	3-635	3-650	5-635	5-650
Optical						
Optical Power Output (mW)	1		3		5	
Wavelength (nm)	635	650	635	650	635	650
Class	II	II	IIIa	IIIa	IIIb	IIIb
Lens	Plastic					
Focus	Fixed					
Beam Shape	Ellipse					
Beam Size at Aperature (mm)	4					
Beam Divergence (mRad)	<2					
Electrical/Mechanical						
Operating Voltage (VDC)	3					
Operating Current (mA)	45-50					
Lead Length (mm)	250					
Electrical Connectors	Red + ; Black -					
Housing Material	Powder Coated Brass					
Laser Head Case Material	Copper					
Weight (gm)	20					
Length (mm)	32.5					
Diameter (mm)	10.5					
Environmental						
Operating Temperature (°C)	-10 to +25					
Storage Temperature (°C)	-40 to +50					

Important - Caution

Any final product or system of which this laser diode module forms a component part must incorporate the appropriate safety features, including emission indicator, beam attenuator (shutter), key switch, and warning label in order to fully comply with the safety regulations for laser units and laser systems specified by the regulatory/standards organizations such as FDA, BS, and ISO.

It is the responsibility of the designer/manufacturer of the final product or system into which the laser diode module is incorporated to ensure that it is compliant with the applicable regulations and where necessary to register/certify the final product with the regulatory/certifying authorities before its release for use or sale.

The Class II (2), Class IIIa (3a), and Class IIIb (3b) models of this laser diode module are fully compliant with 21 CFR part 1040.10 provided that a readily accessible on/off switch is permanently connected in series with the electrical DC supply to the module.

NOTE: This information is subject to change without notice and is presented only as a guide for the application of this product. No liability can be assumed for loss or damage, however caused, from the information of this note.

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Application Note

Introduction

This model is a self-contained compact laser diode module. Its features include output power stabilization and integral drive circuitry. It is an ideal replacement for a Helium Neon Laser in many applications, conveying many benefits due to its superior ruggedness and compact size.

Typical Applications

- Alignment
- Positioning
- Metrology
- Event/Edge Detection
- Security
- Bar Code Readers
- Education
- Leveling
- Robotic Control
- Lab Experimentation

Housing Isolation

To insure good thermal contact between the laser diode and the body of the module, the diode package is connected to the positive supply line. The coating on the module casing is insufficient to provide substantial electrical isolation, therefore the module casing should not be connected to the negative supply or to a negative earth.

Heat Sinking

One of the most common causes for diode failure is overheating. The life expectancy of the diode will be reduced if it is operated outside of the recommended temperature specification. Normal mounting of the module should be adequate, but additional heat sinking may be required depending on the duty cycle.

Safety

The output of this model is factory preset to meet Class II(2), Class IIIa(3a), and Class IIIb (3b) limits as defined in 21CFR part 1040.10.

The nature of the laser radiation hazard is clearly shown by means of a warning label affixed to each module.

