

12.5 x 12.5mm, 3-5μm, High Contrast IR Wire Grid Polarizer



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General

Type:

Linear Polarizer

Physical & Mechanical Properties

12.50	Length (mm):
12.5 x 12.5 ±0.4	Dimensions (mm):
0.70 ±0.07	Thickness (mm):
	Construction:

Wire Grid	
±2	Alignment Tolerance (°):
12.50	Width (mm):
Aluminum	Microwire Material:
Optical Properties	
0 ±20	Angle of Incidence (°):
5000:1 @ 3µm, 5000:1 @ 3.7µm, 7000:1 @ 5µm	Extinction Ratio:
Silicon (Si)	Substrate: ☐
T _p >90% @ 3.0µm T _p >95% @ 3.7µm T _p >94% @ 5.0µm	Transmission (%):
3000 - 5000	Wavelength Range (nm):
0.64 kW/cm² Blocking Direction >14 kW/cm² Transmission Direction @ 3.3µm, 7ns, 25kHz, 150µm Spot Size	Damage Threshold, By Design: ☐
Material Properties	
2.6 x 10 ⁻⁷ /°C	Thermal Expansion:
Environmental & Durability Factors	
Up to 200	Operating Temperature (°C):
Regulatory Compliance	
Compliant	RoHS 2015:
Compliant	Reach 224:
View	Certificate of Conformance:

Product Details

Due to the wire grid being exposed, special care should be taken when handling to prevent damage to the polarizer.

- AR Coated for Superior Transmission
- High Heat Resistance with Low Thermal Expansion
- Feature Wide Angle of Incidence Range without Performance Loss

High Contrast IR Wire Grid Polarizers are ideal for broadband infrared applications that require high transmission and contrast, including spectroscopy, remote sensing, thermal imaging, or astronomy. Aluminum Microwire versions consist of a silicon substrate and are available in both 3-5µm and 7-12µm options. These polarizers will have up to 7000:1 contrast at their specified wavelengths, and a temperature resistance of up to 200°C. Gold Microwire versions consist of a silicon substrate with gold microwires and feature superior contrast of at least 10,000:1 @ 3.4µm. Due to their unique construction, these polarizers have a substantial temperature resistance of up to 500°C making them perfect even for the most demanding applications. High Contrast IR Wire Grid Polarizers allow the angle of incidence to vary from ±20° for the aluminum microwire versions or ±25° for the gold without displaying performance loss.

Note: Due to the exposed wire grid, special care should be taken when handling to prevent damage to the polarizer. The wire grid surface should never be touched directly, and parts should be handled by the edges only, with light pressure, using gloves. The glass side can be gently cleaned using isopropyl alcohol, but the wire grid side should only be cleaned using compressed air.

Special Handling

These optics require special handling to avoid damage and ensure long-term performance. Proper handling, cleaning, and storage are essential to maintain optical quality. Explore our [Optics Cleaning Resources](#) for step-by-step guides and best practices. For personalized assistance, [Email us](#) or [Chat](#) with our technical support team.



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