

# Fiber Optic Polarizers

## 1280nm – 1640nm



### FEATURES:

- High extinction ratio
- Low loss
- Near zero back reflection
- Low cost
- Wide wavelength operating range
- Small size
- Rugged packaging
- All-fiber construction

### EXAMPLE APPLICATIONS:

- PMD measurement
- PDL measurement
- Polarization control
- Single polarization transmitters
- Polarization sensitive modules
- Fiber optic gyroscopes
- Polarimetric sensor systems
- Test & Measurement instrumentation

### EVANESCENT FIELD POLARIZERS

**Phoenix** evanescent field polarizers are produced by replacing the cladding in the locally processed region of the fiber with a polarization selective material. Within the polarizing region one polarization mode of the single mode fiber is highly attenuated and the other mode propagates with virtually no loss. **Extinction ratios above 50dB are readily achievable** whilst maintaining extremely low transmission loss of the required polarization mode.

### OPERATIONAL WAVELENGTH RANGE

**Phoenix** range of polarizers will polarize light of any wavelength from 1280nm to 1640nm in Corning SMF28 fiber. Typically extinction ratio and insertion loss increases with wavelength for the SM/SM devices. The polarizers are specified for a particular wavelength range although they are operational outside the band, performance may differ slightly to the specification. Polarization maintaining polarizers have a flat extinction ratio response across the band offering broadband benefits in certain applications.

**SPECIFICATIONS:**

	SM/SM	SM/PM	PM/PM
Wavelength range <sup>1</sup>	1280nm - 1320nm 1480nm - 1530nm 1530nm - 1640nm	1280nm - 1320nm 1480nm - 1530nm 1530nm - 1640nm	1280nm - 1320nm 1480nm - 1530nm 1530nm - 1640nm
Minimum extinction ratio <sup>2</sup>	>30dB	>35dB	>35dB
Insertion loss <sup>3</sup>	<1dB: Typ. 0.5dB	<1dB: Typ. 0.8dB	<1.5dB: Typ. 1dB
Return loss <sup>4</sup>	>70dB		
Package size <sup>5</sup>	50 x 2 dia	75 x 3 dia	100 x 3 dia
Operating temperature range <sup>6</sup>	-5°C to 70°C		
Transportation/storage <sup>7</sup>	-40°C to 85°C		
Fiber type <sup>8</sup>	SMF 28	SMF28/PANDA	PANDA/PANDA
Pigtails <sup>9</sup>	1m fiber standard, 900µm loose tube optional		
Outer packaging	Stainless steel tube		

*All dimensions are approximate and may vary slightly.*

**Notes to Specifications:**

- All specifications are worst case for the wavelength range selected; actual products commonly exhibit better performance.
- All polarizers are tested and graded into performance groups.
- SM – single mode fiber; PM – polarization maintaining fiber.

1. The devices will provide polarization over the full wavelength range for which the fiber is single mode. Performance characteristics are wavelength dependent and the devices will meet specification as follows:

Type 15 – 1530nm to 1640nm  
Type 14 – 1480 nm to 1530 nm  
Type 13 – 1280nm to 1320nm

2. These are the minimum extinction ratios typically achievable for each wavelength range. If alternative values are required please discuss with our sales representative.

3. Insertion loss is typically in the region of 0.2dB (SM/SM) to 1dB (PM/PM), excluding connectors.

4. The all-fiber technology gives an excellent return loss figure of >70dB.

5. Dimensions are in mm.

6. The operating temperature range is specified for typical telecommunications operation. Please discuss with the sales representative if operation outside the specified range is required.

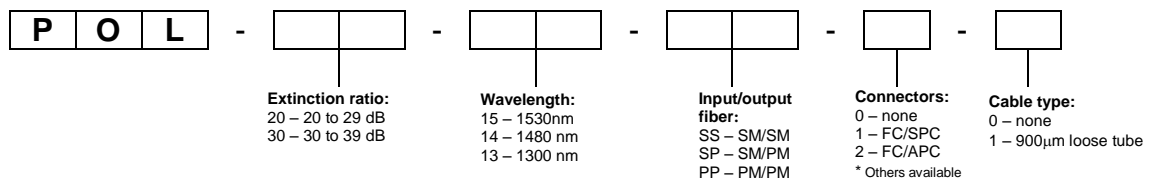
7. The devices are very robust for storage and transportation.

8. Standard single mode Corning SMF 28 fiber is used for the SM devices and PANDA polarization maintaining fiber for the PM devices. The technology is applicable to any fiber type; please contact the sales representative to discuss any alternative fiber.

9. Pigtails are typically no shorter than 1m.

**PRODUCT ORDERING INFORMATION:**

Note: Not all options below are available in all polarizer types, please check with our sales representative, to ensure your specific requirements can be met.


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