# Proximity Sensors Capacitive Thermoplastic Polyester Housing Type CA, M18, AC TRIPLESHIELD<sup>TM</sup>



## **Product Description**

Capacitive proximity switches with either sensing distance 8 mm flush mounted in metal or sensing distance 12 mm non-flush mounted. 2-wire AC output with make (NO) or break (NC) switching. Grey M18 polyester housing with 2 m PVC cable or M12 plug. Ideal for use in level and plastic machinery applications.

#### **Ordering Key**

Capacitive proximity switch \_\_\_\_\_ Housing style \_\_\_\_\_\_ Housing material \_\_\_\_\_\_ Housing length \_\_\_\_\_\_ Detection principle \_\_\_\_\_\_ Sensing distance \_\_\_\_\_\_ Output type \_\_\_\_\_\_ Output configuration \_\_\_\_\_\_ Connection type \_\_\_\_\_\_

## **Type Selection**

Housing diameter	Rated operating dist. (S <sub>n</sub> ) <sup>1)</sup>	Mounting	Ordering no. SCR/cable Make switching	Ordering no. SCR/plug Make switching	Ordering no. SCR/cable Break switching	Ordering no. SCR/plug Break switching
M18	8 mm	Flush (built-in)	CA18CLF08TO	CA18CLF08TOM6	CA18CLF08TC	CA18CLF08TCM6
M18	12 mm	Non-flush	CA18CLN12TO	CA18CLN12TOM6	CA18CLN12TC	CA18CLN12TCM6

<sup>1)</sup> Object: Grounded steel plate

CA18CLN12TOM6

## **Specifications**

Rated operating dist. (S <sub>n</sub> )	
CA18CLF08	3 to 8 mm
CA18CLN12	factory set at 8 mm 3 to 12 mm factory set at 12 mm
Sensitivity	Adj. 270° turn pot. meter
Effective operation dist. (S <sub>r</sub> )	$0.9 \ x \ S_n \leq S_r \leq 1.1 \ x \ S_n$
Usable operation dist. (S <sub>u</sub> )	$0.8 \ x \ S_r \leq S_u \leq 1.2 \ x \ S_r$
Repeat accuracy (R)	≤ 5%
Hysteresis (H)	4 to 20% of sensing distance
Rated operational volt. (UB)	20 to 250 VAC (ripple incl.)
Ripple	≤ <b>10%</b>
Rated operational current (I <sub>e</sub> )	
Continuous	≤ 500 mA
Short-time	< 2.5 A (max. 20 ms)
Min. load current	10 mA
Voltage drop (U <sub>d</sub> )	$\leq$ 10 VAC (at loads $\geq$ 20 mA)
Protection	Transients
Power ON delay	≤ 100 ms
Freq. of operating cycles (f)	10 Hz

Indication for output ON	LED, yellow	
Environment		
Degree of protection	IP 67 (Nema 1, 3, 4, 6, 13)	
Temperature		
Operating temperature	-25° to +80°C (-13° to +176°F)	
Storage temperature	-40° to +85°C (-40° to +185°F)	
Housing material		
Body	Grey, thermoplastic polyester	
Front	Grey, polyester	
Cable end	Polyester	
Nuts	Black, reinforced nylon	
Connection		
Cable	Grey, 2 m, 2 x 0.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	
	Oil proof PVC	
Plug (M6)	M12 x 1, double keyed	
Cable for plug (M6)	CON.6A-series	
Weight		
Cable version	110 g	
Plug version	30 g	
Approvals	UL, CSA	
CE-marking	Yes	

- Featuring **TRIPLESHIELD™** sensor protection
- Rated operational voltage: 20-250 VAC
  - Adjustable sensing distance 3-8 mm or 3-12 mm
  - Output: SCR
  - Make or break switching function
  - LED indication
  - High noise immunity
  - Flush and non-flush types
  - Plug and cable versions
  - DC versions in the same housing



#### Dimensions



# Adjustment Guide

The environments in which capacitive sensors are installed can often be unstable regarding temperature, humidity, object distance and industrial (noise) interference. Because of this, Carlo Gavazzi offers as standard features in all *TRIPLESHIELD*<sup>™</sup> capacitive sensors a user-friendly sensitivity adjustment instead of having a fixed sensing range, extended sensing range to

## **Installation Hints**

Capacitive sensors have the unique ability to detect almost all materials, either in liquid or solid form. Capacitive sensors can detect metallic as well as non-metallic objects, however, their traditional use is for non-metallic materials such as:

• Plastic Industry Resins, regrinds or moulded products. accommodate mechanically demanding areas, temperature stability to ensure minimum need for adjusting sensitivity if temperature varies and high immunity to electromagnetic interference (EMI).

#### Note:

Sensors are factory set (default) to maximum rated sensing range.

Cleansers, fertilisers, liquid

soaps, corrosives and pe-

Saw dust, paper products,

Raw material, clay or finish-

door and window frames.

Chemical Industry

trochemicals.

Wood Industry

• Ceramic & Glass

ed products, bottles.

Industry



• Packaging Industry Package inspection for level or contents, dry goods, fruits and vegetables, dairy products.

Materials are detected due to their dielectric constant. The bigger the size of an object, the higher the density of material, the better or easier it is to detect the object. Nominal sensing distance for a capacitive sensor is referenced to a grounded metal plate (ST37). For additional information regarding dielectric ratings of materials please refer to Technical Information.



### Wiring Diagrams





## **Delivery Contents**

- Capacitive switch: CA18CL...
- Screw driver
- 2 nuts
- Packaging: Cardboard box
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#### **Accessories**

• Plugs CON.6A-..series.