

The PT8232 delivers position feedback via RS232 serial communication to your data acquisition or controller system. The PT8232 sends a raw 16-bit count from 0000H to FFFFH. Additionally this device can be set to continuously send data or send data only when polled.

As the internal position sensing element is a precision potentiometer, this transducer maintains current accurate position even during power loss and does not need to be reset to a "home" position.

PT8232

Cable Actuated Sensor Industrial • RS232

Absolute Linear Position to 60 inches (1524 mm) Aluminum or Stainless Steel Enclosure Options VLS Option to Prevent Free-Release Damage IP68 / NEMA 6

GENERAL

Full Stroke Ranges 0-2 to 0-60 inches

Electrical Interface RS232 **Format** HEX

Accuracy see ordering information Repeatability ± 0.02% full stroke Resolution ± 0.003% full stroke

Measuring Cable stainless steel or thermoplastic

Enclosure Material powder-painted aluminum or stainless steel

plastic-hybrid precision potentiometer

Sensor

Potentiometer Cycle Life see ordering information Max. Retraction Acceleration see ordering information

ELECTRICAL

Input Voltage 9...22 VDC **Input Current** 40 mA

9600 (selectable to 38.4K) **Baud Rate**

Update Rate 32 msec

ENVIRONMENTAL

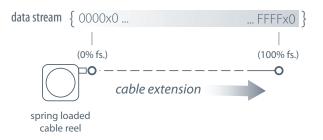
Environmental Suitability NEMA 4X/6, IP 67

Operating Temperature -40° to 200°F (-40° to 90°C) **Vibration** up to 10 g's to 2000 Hz maximum

Weight, Aluminum Enclosure 3 lbs. max.

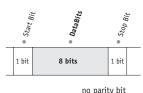
Weight, Stainless Steel Encl. 6 lbs. max.

Output Signal



I/O Format:

Data Format



Data Frame

6 byte Hex string:

STX	CMD	CMD B ₀		B ₂	ETX	
STX = 0x02	CMD = Con	nmand Code*	B ₀ - B ₂ =	: Data Field*	ETX = 0x03	

* -see below

Important! All communications to/from the transducer are in HEX!

User Commands:

		User Cor	mmand			Sensor F	Response	
Description	<cmd></cmd>	<b<sub>0></b<sub>	<b<sub>1></b<sub>	<b<sub>2></b<sub>	<cmd></cmd>	<b<sub>0></b<sub>	<b<sub>1></b<sub>	<b<sub>2></b<sub>
Get Sensor Info	0x05	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x05	version ⁽⁴⁾	date ⁽⁵⁾	date ⁽⁵⁾
Get Serial Number	0x15	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x15	Se	rial number ⁽	(3)
Start Continuous Data	0x25	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x25	0x00	0x00	0x00
Stop Continuous Data	0x35	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x35	0x00	0x00	0x00
Get Position Data	0x45	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x45	$CMC^{(1)}$	$CMC^{(1)}$	status ⁽²⁾

(1)CMC - Current Measurement Count (Position)

The Current Measurement Count (CMC) is the output data that indicates the present position of the measuring cable.

The CMC is a 16-bit value that occupies the first two bytes (B_0 and B_1) of the data field. B_0 is the MSB (most significant byte) and B_1 is the LSB (least significant byte).

The CMC starts at 0000H with the measuring cable fully retracted and continues upward to the end of the stroke range stopping at FFFFH. This holds true for all ranges.

(2)Status

The status byte is used as a flag to indicate the validity of the position signal that the internal electronics receives from the potentiometer.

Flags are as follows: 0x00 = GREEN, 0x55 = YELLOW, 0xAA = RED

A "green" flag shows everything OK. A "yellow" or "red" flag indicates that the sensor has either been extended beyond its range or that there is a problem with the potentiometer.

(3)Serial Number

Each sensor has it's own unique serial number. This information can be retrieved by sending the sensor the "Get Serial Number" command.

The serial number is a 3 byte value from which ranges from 0 to 9999999 (decimal).

(4)Version

This is a single byte value (0-255 decimal) which indicates the currently installed firmware version of the sensor.

(5)Date

This is a 2 byte value showing the date of currently installed firmware. This value ranges from 01011 - 12319 (decimal). Format is MMDDY. While the month and day are expressed as two digit numbers the year is expressed in a single digit only.

Example: 08054 = August 5, 2004

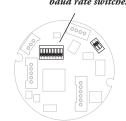
Baud Rate

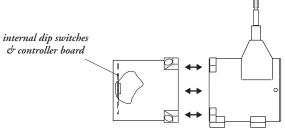
The baud rate can be set using switches **7** & **8** on the 8-pole DIP switch found on the rs232 controller board located inside the transducer.

DIP-7	DIP-8	baud rate
0	0	9600
1	0	19200
0	1	38400
1	1	9600



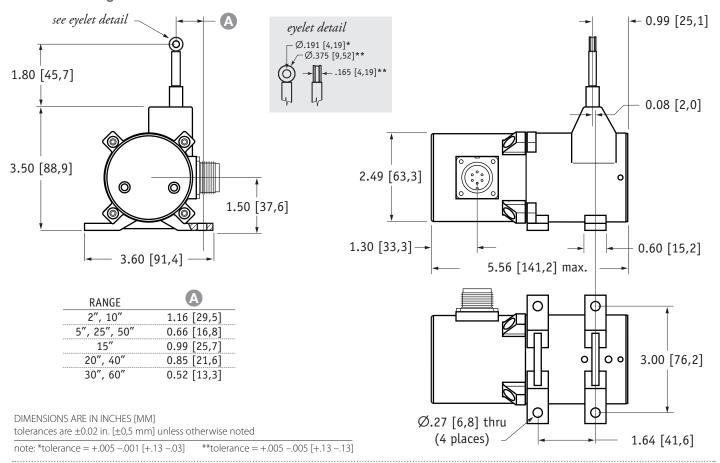
RS232 Controller Board and DIP Switch Location baud rate switches





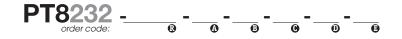
to gain access to the controller board, remove four Allen-Head Screws and remove rear cover.

Outline Drawing:



Ordering Information:

Model Number:



Sample Model Number:

PT8232 - 50 - AL - N34 - T1 - CG - M6

- R range:
- A enclosure
- B measuring cable:
- measuring cable tension:
- cable guide:electrical connection:
- - standard 6-nin pla

200 inches

aluminum

standard

6-pin plastic connector

.034 nylon-coated stainless

Full Stroke Range:

R order code:	2	5	10		15		20		25		30		40		50		60
full stroke range, min:	2 in.	5 in.	10 in.	:	15 in.	:	20 in.	:	25 in.	:	30 in.	:	40 in.	:	50	:	60
accuracy (% of f.s.):	1.00%	1.00%	0.15%	:	0.15%	:	0.15%	:	0.15%	:	0.15%	:	0.10%	:	0.10%	:	0.10%
potentiometer cycle life*:	2.5 x 10 ⁶	2.5 x 10 ⁶	5 x 10 ⁵	:	2.5×10^5	: :	2.5 x 10 ⁵	: :	2.5 x 10 ⁵								

*-1 cycle is defined as the travel of the measuring cable from full retraction to full extension and back to full retraction

Enclosure Material:



Ordering Information (cont.):

Measuring Cable:

B order code:	N34	S47	S31	V62
cable construction:	Ø.034-inch nylon-coated stainless steel rope	\emptyset .047-inch bare stainless steel rope	Ø.031-inch bare stainless steel rope	Ø.058-inch PVC jacketed vectra fiber rope
available ranges:	all ranges	5, 15, 20, 25, 30-inch only	40, 50, 60-inch only	thru 30 inches only
general use:	indoor	outdoor, debris, high temperature	outdoor, debris, high temperature	high voltage or magnetic field

Measuring Cable Tension:

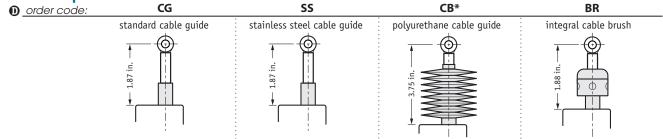
	order code:	T1	T2		Т3
		standard tension	medium tension	:	high tension
	2, 10-inch:	39 oz.	65 oz.		116 oz.
full stroke range	15-inch:	26 oz.	43 oz.		77 oz.
cable tension	20, 40-inch:	20 oz.	33 oz.		60 oz.
specifications	5, 25, 50-inch:	16 oz.	26 oz.		47 oz.
	30, 60-inch:	13 oz.	22 oz.		40 oz.
					tension tolerance: ± 50%
		maximum acceleration	maximum acceleration		maximum acceleration
al	luminum enclosure:	15 α	: 25 a	:	40 a

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aluminum enclosure: 15 g 25 g 40 g

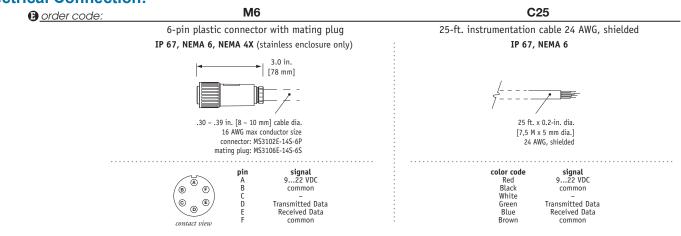
stainless steel enclosure: 6 g 12 g 18 g

Cable Guide Options:



*note: all ranges up to 25 inches only

Electrical Connection:

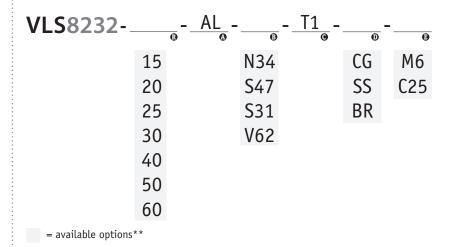


VLS Option - Free Release Protection

The patented Celesco Velocity Limiting System (VLS) is an option for PT8000 Series cable extension transducers that limits cable retraction to a safe 40 to 55 inches per second.

The VLS option prevents the measuring cable from ever reaching a damaging velocity during an accidental free release. This option is ideal for mobile applications that require frequent cable disconnection and reconnection. It prevents expensive unscheduled downtime due to accidental cable mishandling or attachment failure.

VLS is NOT available for medium and high cable tension options, stainless steel enclosure, cable bellows or 2, 5 and 15-inch stroke ranges. **How To Configure Model Number for VLS Option:**



creating VLS model number (example):

1. select PT8232 model PT8232-60-S31-T1-CG-M6

2. remove "PT" from the model number 8232-60-S31-T1-CG-M6

3. add "VLS" VLS + 8232-60-S31-T1-CG-M6

4. completed model number! VLS8232-60-S31-T1-CG-M6

**Note: please contact factory for a solution to options not supported.

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