Free Space Isolators

Free space isolators are divided into two categories: polarization dependent isolator and polarization independent isolator.

The polarization dependent isolator, or Faraday isolator consists of three major parts which are input polarizer (polarized vertically), Faraday Rotator, and output polarizer (aligned at 45° relative to the input polarizer).

The polarization independent isolator consists of three main components, which are birefringent beam displacer (polarizer), Faraday Rotator, half-wave plate. It's usually used for maintaining the stability of optical system effectively in fiber laser system.

CASTECH adopts high quality megneto-optic crystals with low absorption and high extinction ratios, and polarizers with low transmission losses to achieve outstanding performance. Customized free space isolators are available with peak isolation up to 45dB, maximum transmission above 95%, and aperture up to 45mm.

Polarization Reference:

All Free Space Isolators non-reciprocally rotates the plane of polarized light in 45°;Extra half-wave plate for modifying output polarization is available on request.

Beam selection of polarization-dependent isolators:

- •Forward propagating beam Pi
- •Reverse propagating beam Pr







Applications • Laser precision machining • Laser sensing • Ultrafast laser system • OCT system • Laser detection









Type(t)	Power(p)	Aperture(a)	Wavelength(λ)	Waveplate(w)	Housing(h)
FS (Free Space) DS (Dual Stage) AB (Adjustable bandwidth)	1 W 5 W 30 W 50 W 100 W 500 W**	2 mm 3 mm 4 mm 5 mm 8 mm 10 mm 12 mm 15 mm 25 mm 45 mm 	550-880nm* 355 nm 405 nm 532 nm 633 nm 780 nm 850 nm 980 nm 1030 nm 1030 nm 1319 nm 1550 nm 2000 nm 4500 nm	C (Contained) N (Not Contained)	A03* A04 A06 A08 A23 A31

*Only applicable to types with adjustable bandwidth

**500W is only suitable for the wavelength of 1030/1064nm

Typical Specifications					
Aperture	Damage Threshold	Withstand Power	Transmission	Peak Isolation	
2~15 mm	3J/cm ² at 10ns @(532~980)nm	50 W	>93%*, > 90%**	>33 dB*, >45 dB**	
2~10 mm	10J/cm ² at 10ns @(1319~2000)nm	50 W	>93%	>33 dB	
15~25 mm	10J/cm ² at 10ns @1030/1064nm	500W	>93%	>33 dB	

Operating temperature range: 10°C-30°C.

* Only applicable to conventional isolator

**Only applicable to dual-stage isolator

Housing dimensions(mm):

A04 (Aperture ≤5 mm)



A46 (Compact, 1064 nm)



Polarization-Independent Type Model Number: HPISO-t-p-a-λ-w-h					
Type(t)	Power(p)	Aperture(a)	Wavelength(λ)	Wave Plate(w)	Housing(h)
PI (polarization- independent)	50 W 100 W 500 W 1000 W 	1.5 mm 5 mm 8 mm 	980 nm 1030 nm 1064 nm 	C (Contained) N (Not Contained)	A16 A29 A38 A41

Typical Specifications					
Aperture	Damage Threshold	Withstand Power	Transmission	Peak Isolation	
1.5 mm	10J/cm ² at 10ns @(980~1064)nm	50 W	>93%	>33 dB	
5 mm	10J/cm ² at 10ns @(980~1064)nm	100 W	>93%	>33 dB	
8 mm	10J/cm ² at 10ns @(980~1064)nm	1000 W	>93%	>33 dB	

Operating temperature range: 10°C-30°C.

Housing dimensions(mm):

A41 (Aperture ≤ 8 mm, Water-cool)



