SafEye[™] Quasar 960 Open Path Toxic Gas Detectors



The SafEye Quasar 960 is part of he innovative SafEye Quasar open path gas detector series. The detector provides ultraviolet technology continuous monitoring for toxic ammonia (NH_3) gas at very low concentrations, up to 95 percent obscuration, featuring advanced wide area coverage with long range detection up to 200 ft. (60 m) and high speed response in under 10 seconds.

The SafEye Quasar 960 is solar blind and immune to industrial environments, ensuring reliable and accurate protection to keep a SafEye on your safety.



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Features and benefits

- Detects toxic ammonia (NH₃) at up to 200 ft. (60 m)
- Accurate and reliable high-speed response in under 10 seconds
- Uses ultraviolet technology
- High false alarm immunity
- Solar blind and immune to industrial environments
- Built-in event recorder real time record of the last 100 events
- Strengthened reliability and durability with a massive three-year warranty
- Easy installation and maintenance
- Heated window for operation in harsh weather conditions (snow, ice, or condensation)
- Detection of a cloud of gas at very low concentrations, up to 95 percent obscuration
- User programmable via HART® or RS-485 Modbus®; compatible with modern user interface for ease of use
- Certified performance/Hazardous Area approved (ATEX, IECEx, CSA, and more) for location in Zone 1 areas
- Approved to Safety Integrity Level 2 (SIL2 TÜV)
- High reliability-MTBF-minimum 100,000 hours

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Applications

- Agriculture
- Food and beverage
- Chemical
- Waste management
- Water treatment
- Pharmaceutical

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Specifications

General specifications

Table 1: Detection Range

Detector model: QRU	Source model: QTU		
	Quasar 961	Quasar 962	Quasar 963
Feet	17-52	46-132	115-200
Meters	5-16	14-40	35-60

Detected gas Ammonia (NH₃)

Response time < 3 seconds (T90 < 10 seconds)

Immunity to false alarmNot influenced by solar radiation, hydrocarbon flames, or other external infrared

radiation sources

Sensitivity range 0-500 ppm.m Spectral response 200-300 nm Displacement/misalignment tolerance ±1 degree

Drift Long term ± 5 percent of full scale **Temperature range** -67 to +149 °F (-55 to +65 °C)

Humidity Up to 95 percent non-condensing (withstands up to 100 percent relative humidity for

short periods)

Heated optics To eliminate condensation and icing on the window

Warranty Safety system - three years

Electrical specifications

Power supply 24 Vdc nominal (18-32 Vdc)

Power consumption (peak includes

heated optics)

Detector: 250 mA (300 mA peak) Source: 250 mA (300 mA peak)

Warm-up time 60 seconds for transmitter and receiver

Electrical connection (specify) Two ¾-in. - 14 national pipe thread (NPT) conduits or 2 x M25 x 1.5 mm ISO

Electrical input protection According to MIL-STD-1275B

Electromagnetic compatibility Electromagnetic interference (EMI)/radio frequency interference (RFI) protected to

EN50270

Outputs - interfaces

0-20 mA current output Sink (source option) configuration: maximum load of 500 ohm at 18-32 Vdc

Gas reading: 0-20 mA Normal, zero reading: 4 mA Maintenance call: 3 mA Misalignment: 2.5 mA

Obscuration/beam block: 2 mA Zero calibration mode: 1 mA

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Fault: 0 mA

RS-485 interface - Modbus® compatible

RS-485 Modbus compatible communication link that can be used in computer controlled

installations

HART® protocol Optional HART communications on the 0-20 mA analog current (FSK) - used for maintenance and

asset management

Visual status indicator Three color light-emitting diode (LED)

Green: power on

Yellow: fault

Red: alarm

Mechanical specifications

Enclosure The source and detector housings are stainless steel 316L with electro polish finish. The circuit boards

are conformal coated and protected from mechanical vibrations. The tilt mount is also stainless steel

316L.

Dimensions Detector/source: 10.5 x 5.1 x 5.1 in. (267 x 130 x 130 mm)

Tilt mount: 4.7 x 4.7 x 5.5 in. (120 x 120 x 158 mm)

Weight Detector/source: 11 lb. (5 kg)

Tilt mount: 4.2 lb. (2 kg)

Water and dust tight IP66 and IP68 per EN60529, NEMA 250 6P

Environmental standards

Meets MIL-STD-810C for humidity, salt and fog, vibration, mechanical shock, high temperature, and

low temperature

Approvals

Table 2: Hazardous Area Approvals

Certification type	Markings	
ATEX and IECEx	Ex II 2 (2) G D Ex db eb ib [ib Gb] IIB+H2 T4 Gb Ex tb IIIC T135 °C Db Ta = -55 °C to +65 °C	
TR CU (EAC)	1Ex d e ib [ib Gb] IIB + H2 T4 Gb X Ex tb IIIC T135 °C Db X	
Inmetro	Ex db eb ib [ib Gb] IIB + H2 T4 Gb Ex tb IIIC T135 °C Db X	
CSA C/US (pending)	Canada: Ex db eb ib [ib Gb] IIB + H2 T4 Gb Ex tb IIIC T135 °C Db Ta = -55 °C to +65 °C	USA Class I, Zone 1, AEx db eb ib [ib Gb] IIB + H2 T4 Gb Zone 21, AEx tb IIIC T135 °C Db Ta = -55 °C to +65 °C

Reliability SIL2 per IEC61508 (TUV)

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Accessories

Part number	Description	
888270	Tilt mount	
799255	Wall mount	
799225	U-bolt/pole mount: 4 to 5 in. (101.6 to 127 mm)	
888140	U-bolt/pole mount: 2 to 3 in. (50.8 to 76.2 mm)	
8888847-2	SafEye Quasar 960 NH ₃ commissioning kit	
888810	HART® handheld diagnostic unit	
888815	HART harness kit	
794079	USB/RS485 harness converter kit	
888263	Weather cover	
888335-2	Duct mount	

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