

# 3.16 Inductive Proximity Sensors

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#### Product Description

The E51 Inductive Proximity Sensor family from Eaton's Electrical Sector combines high performance with a familiar limit switch style housing. Modular, plug-in components provide application flexibility, ease of maintenance, less downtime and reduced inventory. Choose from two-wire sensors with AC/DC operation, or four-wire sensors in either AC or DC styles. Connection options include terminal, mini-connector or various lengths of cable.

Choose from standard sensors that detect all types of metallic targets. The next page provides more detail on these sensors.

#### Features

- Rugged construction is ideal for industrial environments
- Viton gaskets ensure a positive seal and high resistance to industry chemicals
- Direct replacement for worn out limit switches
- Sensor heads and bodies feature captive screws to eliminate loss
- All sensor heads include a selector switch to program output function to either NO or NC
- Sensor bodies feature bifurcated engagement prongs for a reliable connection when plugging into receptacle stabs

- Engagement key between sensor body and receptacle prevents improper assembly
- Sensors accommodate both U.S. and DIN mounting dimensions
- Wiring terminals feature captive pressure plate saddles for #18 to #12 AWG wire. A green screw identified ground terminal is also included
- Logic modules are available to provide additional control functions

#### Standards and Certifications

- UL Listed
- CSA Certified
- CE (where shown)



#### **⚠ DANGER**

**THIS SENSOR IS NOT A SAFETY DEVICE AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE USED AS A SAFETY DEVICE. This sensor is designed only to detect and read certain data in an electronic manner and perform no use apart from that, specifically no safety-related use. This sensor product does not include self-checking redundant circuitry, and the failure of this sensor product could cause either an energized or de-energized output condition, which could result in death, serious bodily injury, or property damage.**

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### Product Selection

#### Standard Sensors—Assembled with Terminal Wiring

Standard E51 sensors feature long sensing ranges and a choice of top or side sensing heads. Alternate frequency units eliminate interference when mounted close to standard frequency units. Order sensors in component form, as assembled plug-in units, or in a sealed version where the sensor body is factory assembled to an epoxy filled receptacle with tamper-proof screws to ensure a lasting seal.

#### Assembled Sensor



#### Sensor Heads ①

##### Top Sensing



##### Side Sensing



#### Assembled Sensors—Standard (with Terminal Wiring)

##### Sensor Body and Receptacle



Operating voltage	20–264 Vac/dc	<b>Two-Wire Sensors</b>		<b>Four-Wire Sensors</b>		
Output	NO or NC ①	120 Vac		10–30 Vdc		
Sensor body	<b>E51SAL</b>	<b>E51SCL</b>	<b>E51SCN</b> Accepts logic modules ②	<b>E51SPL</b> PNP	<b>E51SNL</b> NPN	
Receptacle ③	<b>E51RA</b>	<b>E51RC</b>	<b>E51RCB</b>	<b>E51RN</b>	<b>E51RN</b>	

Sensing Range	Shielding	Frequency	Sensor Head Only Catalog Number	Assembled Sensors with Head, Sensor Body and Receptacle Catalog Number
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Top Sensing				
0.51 in (13 mm)	Shielded	Standard	<b>E51DT1</b>	<b>E51ALT1</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT1</b> <b>E51CNT1</b> <b>E51PLT1</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT1</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DT2</b>	<b>E51ALT2</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT2</b> <b>E51CNT2</b> <b>E51PLT2</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT2</b> ☹ ☹
0.94 in (24 mm)	Unshielded	Standard	<b>E51DT5</b>	<b>E51ALT5</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT5</b> <b>E51CNT5</b> <b>E51PLT5</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT5</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DT6</b>	<b>E51ALT6</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT6</b> <b>E51CNT6</b> <b>E51PLT6</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT6</b> ☹ ☹
Side Sensing				
0.51 in (13 mm)	Shielded	Standard	<b>E51DS1</b>	<b>E51ALS1</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS1</b> <b>E51CNS1</b> <b>E51PLS1</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS1</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DS2</b>	<b>E51ALS2</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS2</b> <b>E51CNS2</b> <b>E51PLS2</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS2</b> ☹ ☹
0.94 in (24 mm)	Unshielded	Standard	<b>E51DS5</b>	<b>E51ALS5</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS5</b> <b>E51CNS5</b> <b>E51PLS5</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS5</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DS6</b>	<b>E51ALS6</b> ☹ ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS6</b> <b>E51CNS6</b> <b>E51PLS6</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS6</b> ☹ ☹

#### Notes

① All sensor heads feature a programmable output selector switch for NO or NC operation. Operation is as follows:

For This Output Type:	Set Selector Position:	
	"TARGET"	"NO TARGET"
NO	Target present	Target absent
NC	Target absent	Target present

② Logic module must be ordered separately, see **Page V8-T3-91**. These sensor bodies are rated NEMA 4, 4X and 13.

③ Receptacles feature terminal wiring with a 1/2 in NPT thread at the conduit entrance.

Other connection options are available:

Connection Option	Catalog Number	Code Suffix	Example
20 mm thread at the conduit entrance	—	<b>20</b>	<b>E51ALT120</b>
Mini-connector termination with epoxy filled receptacle, see <b>Page V8-T3-92</b> for additional receptacle options	Two-wire, 3-pin connector	<b>CSMS3F3CY1602</b>	<b>P3</b> <b>E51ALT1P3</b>
	Four-wire, 5-pin connector	<b>CSMS5D5CY1602</b>	<b>P5</b> <b>E51CLT1P5</b>
Pre-wired cable with epoxy filled receptacle	8 ft long	—	<b>S</b> <b>E51ALT1S</b>
	12 ft long	—	<b>S12</b> <b>E51ALT1S12</b>
	20 ft long	—	<b>S20</b> <b>E51ALT1S20</b>

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### Standard Sensors—Assembled with Receptacles

Sensor body is attached to receptacle with tamper-proof screws.

#### Assembled Sensor

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### Assembled Sensors—Standard (with Epoxy Filled Receptacles and Pre-wired Cables)

#### Sensor Base Type with 8 ft Cable <sup>②</sup>

Operating voltage	<b>Two-Wire Sensors</b> 20–264 Vac/dc	<b>Four-Wire Sensors</b> 120 Vac	10–30 Vdc
Output	NO or NC <sup>①</sup>	NO and NC complementary	PNP NPN

#### Sensor Heads <sup>①</sup>

Sensing Range	Shielding	Frequency	Sensor Head Only Catalog Number	Assembled Sensors with Head and Sensor Base Catalog Number
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#### Top Sensing



Top Sensing				
0.51 in (13 mm)	Shielded	Standard	<b>E51DT1</b>	<b>E51ALT16P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT16P</b> <b>E51PLT16P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT16P</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DT2</b>	<b>E51ALT26P</b> <b>E51CLT26P</b> <b>E51PLT26P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT26P</b> ☹ ☹
0.94 in (24 mm)	Unshielded	Standard	<b>E51DT5</b>	<b>E51ALT56P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT56P</b> <b>E51PLT56P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT56P</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DT6</b>	<b>E51ALT66P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLT66P</b> <b>E51PLT66P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLT66P</b> ☹ ☹

#### Side Sensing



Side Sensing				
0.51 in (13 mm)	Shielded	Standard	<b>E51DS1</b>	<b>E51ALS16P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS16P</b> <b>E51PLS16P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS16P</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DS2</b>	<b>E51ALS26P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS26P</b> <b>E51PLS26P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS26P</b> ☹ ☹
0.94 in (24 mm)	Unshielded	Standard	<b>E51DS5</b>	<b>E51ALS56P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS56P</b> <b>E51PLS56P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS56P</b> ☹ ☹
		Alternate	<b>E51DS6</b>	<b>E51ALS66P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51CLS66P</b> <b>E51PLS66P</b> ☹ ☹ <b>E51NLS66P</b> ☹ ☹

### Sensor Heads

#### Sensor Heads <sup>①</sup>

Sensing Range	Shielding	Frequency	Target Material	Catalog Number
<b>Top Sensing</b>				
0.51 in (13 mm)	Shielded	Standard	All metals	<b>E51DT1</b>
		Alternate		<b>E51DT2</b>
0.94 in (24 mm)	Unshielded	Standard	All metals	<b>E51DT5</b>
		Alternate		<b>E51DT6</b>
<b>Side Sensing</b>				
0.51 in (13 mm)	Shielded	Standard	All metals	<b>E51DS1</b>
		Alternate		<b>E51DS2</b>
0.94 in (24 mm)	Unshielded	Standard	All metals	<b>E51DS5</b>
		Alternate		<b>E51DS6</b>

#### Notes

<sup>①</sup> All sensor heads feature a programmable output selector switch for NO or NC operation. Operation is as follows:

For This Output Type:	Set Selector Position:	
	"TARGET"	"NO TARGET"
NO	Target present	Target absent
NC	Target absent	Target present


<sup>②</sup> Switch bases feature 8 ft of S00W-A cable. Other connection options are available:

Connection Option <sup>③</sup>	Suffix	Example
Mini-connector mounted on 3 ft (0.9m) pigtail cable	<b>T</b>	<b>E51ALT16PT</b>
Mini-connector mounted to switch base	<b>C</b>	<b>E51ALT16PC</b>
Cable longer than 8 feet, add required length in 1 ft increments to listed catalog number—20 ft maximum	<b>Length in ft</b>	<b>E51ALT16P12 for 12 ft</b>


<sup>③</sup> See listing of compatible connector cables on **Page V8-T3-93**.

### Sensor Bodies

#### Two-Wire Sensors


	Operating Voltage	Output	Protection	Output Rating Continuous	Type	Catalog Number
<b>AC/DC</b> 	<b>AC/DC</b>					
	20–264 Vac/dc, 50/60 Hz	1 output, load powered, NO or NC, programmable from head; off state leakage current: <1.7 mA at 120 Vac/dc, <2.0 mA at 240 Vac	Latching short circuit and overload	0.5 A	—	<b>E51SAL</b> ① <b>CE</b>

#### Four-Wire Sensors

	Operating Voltage	Output	Protection	Output Rating Continuous	Type	Catalog Number
<b>AC (E51SCN Shown)</b> 	<b>AC</b>	2 complementary outputs, line powered, NO and NC	—	1.0 A to 158 °F (70 °C), linearly derated to 0.6 A at 176 °F (80 °C)	—	<b>E51SCL</b> ①
				1.0 A to 113 °F (45 °C), linearly derated to 0.3 A at 176 °F (80 °C)	—	<b>E51SCN</b> ②③
	<b>DC</b>	10–30 Vdc	2 complementary outputs, line powered, NO and NC	Reverse polarity	0.6 A to 104 °F (40 °C), linearly derated to 0.36A at 176 °F (80 °C)	NPN
					PNP	<b>E51SPL</b> ①

### Logic Module

#### Logic Module (for E51SCN Sensor Body Only)

Type	Description	Timing Range ④	Catalog Number
<b>Logic Module</b> ⑤ 	ON and OFF delay	Adjustable delay between time object is sensed and time switch function occurs	0.15 to 15.0 seconds <b>E51MTB</b>
		Adjustable delay between time object leaves sensing field and time switch transfers back to non-sensing state	

#### Notes

- ① This sensor body is available in a factory-sealed, non plug-in configuration (with 8-ft cable), add **6P** to listed catalog number. Example: E51SAL**6P**.
- ② Sensor body is black. E51SCN sensor bodies are rated NEMA 4, 4X and 13.
- ③ This sensor accepts logic modules, as seen in chart above.
- ④ Repeatability of the timing cycle is ±1% at constant voltage, ambient temperature and reset time.
- ⑤ Reset time is 25 ms minimum. Rated NEMA 4, 4X and 13.

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#### Receptacles

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#### Receptacles





	Description	Style	Details	Cable Length	Conduit Entrance 1/2 in NPT Catalog Number	20 mm Catalog Number
<b>Surface Mount</b> 	<b>Surface Mount</b> Conduit entrance, front or rear mounting	Two-wire, AC/DC	—	—	<b>E51RA</b>	<b>E51RA20</b>
		Four-wire, AC	Gray	—	<b>E51RC</b>	<b>E51RC20</b>
			Black ①	—	<b>E51RCB</b>	<b>E51RCB20</b>
		Four-wire, DC	—	—	<b>E51RN</b>	<b>E51RN20</b>
<b>Mini-Connector</b> 	<b>Mini-Connector</b> Epoxy filled receptacle with pre-wired mini-connector	Two-wire, AC/DC	3-pin	—	<b>E51RAP3</b> ☺	—
		Four-wire, AC	5-pin	—	<b>E51RCP5</b> ☺	—
		Four-wire, DC	5-pin	—	<b>E51RNP5</b> ☺	—
<b>Pigtail with Mini-Connector</b> 	<b>Pigtail with Mini-Connector</b> Epoxy filled receptacle with mini-connector mounted on 3 ft (0.9m) cable	Two-wire, AC/DC	3-pin	3 ft (0.9m)	<b>E51RAP3T3</b> ☺	—
		Four-wire, AC	5-pin	3 ft (0.9m)	<b>E51RCPT5</b> ☺	—
		Four-wire, DC	5-pin	3 ft (0.9m)	<b>E51RNPT5</b> ☺	—
<b>Pre-Wired Cable</b> 	<b>Pre-Wired Cable</b> Epoxy filled receptacle with pre-wired 16 gauge, yellow jacketed, type SOOW-A cable. Cable enters through hole threaded for conduit	Two-wire, AC/DC	3-conductor	8 ft (2.4m)	<b>E51RAS</b>	<b>E51RA20S</b>
				12 ft (3.6m)	<b>E51RAS12</b>	—
				20 ft (6m)	<b>E51RAS20</b>	—
		Four-wire, AC	5-conductor	8 ft (2.4m)	<b>E51RCS</b>	<b>E51RC20S</b>
				12 ft (3.6m)	<b>E51RCS12</b>	—
				20 ft (6m)	<b>E51RCS20</b>	—
		Four-wire, DC	5-conductor	8 ft (2.4m)	<b>E51RNS</b>	<b>E51RN20S</b>
				12 ft (3.6m)	<b>E51RNS12</b>	—
				20 ft (6m)	<b>E51RNS20</b>	—

#### Notes

- ☺☺ See listing of compatible connector cables on **Page V8-T3-93**.
- ① Black receptacle is for color compatibility with E51SCN sensor body.






### Compatible Connector Cables

#### Standard Cables ①

	Current Rating at 600 V	Voltage Style	Number of Pins	Gauge	Length	Pin Configuration/Wire Colors (Face View Female Shown)	Catalog Number
	<b>Micro-Style, Straight Female</b>						
	13 A	—	3-pin	16 AWG	6 ft (2m)	 1-Green 2-Black 3-White	<b>CSMS3F3CY1602</b>
	10 A	AC/DC	4-pin, four-wire	16 AWG	6 ft (2m)	 1-Black 2-Blue 3-Brown 4-White	<b>CSMS4A4CY1602</b>
	8 A	—	5-pin	16 AWG	6 ft (2m)	 1-White 2-Red 3-Green 4-Orange 5-Black	<b>CSMS5D5CY1602</b>

### Accessories

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	Description	Catalog Number
<b>One Hole</b> 	<b>Universal Mounting Bracket</b> One hole, includes mounting hardware, stainless steel	<b>E51KH2</b>
<b>Two Holes</b> 	Two holes, includes mounting hardware, steel	<b>E51KH4</b>
<b>Machine Mounting Bracket</b> 	<b>Machine Mounting Bracket</b> Zinc die cast construction	<b>E50KH3</b>
<b>Stand-Off Mounting Bracket</b> 	<b>Stand-Off Mounting Bracket</b> Steel construction	<b>E51KH3</b>
<b>Remote Sensor Head Assembly</b> 	<b>Remote Sensor Head Assembly</b> Permits mounting sensor head up to 3 ft (0.9m) from sensor body	<b>E51KRM</b>

Dimensions, see Page V8-T3-95.

#### Note

① For a full selection of connector cables, see Tab 10, section 10.1.

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Description	Specification
Output rating (NEMA D150)	
AC/DC models	0.5 A continuous
AC models	1 A continuous
DC models	0.6 A continuous
Protection	Latching short-circuit protection on two-wire AC/DC models; DC models: resettable short-circuit protection
Switching rate	AC models: 15 Hz; DC models: 50 Hz
Indicator LEDs	Lights when output is ON. One LED for each output
Alternate frequency	Standard and alternate frequencies allow side-by-side operation without interference
Enclosure material	Zinc die cast
Gasket material	Viton
Enclosure ratings	NEMA 3, 3S, 4, 4X, 6, 6P, 12 and 13 (IP67); E51SCN sensor body only: NEMA 4, 4X and 13
Hazardous locations ratings	
Class I	Division II—GRPS ABCD
Class II	Division II—GRPS F and G
Class III	Division 2
Temperature range	-13 to 158 °F (-25 to 70 °C)
Torque requirements	Switch body screws: 25–30 in-lbs; sensing head screws: 14–18 in-lbs
Vibration	10–55 Hz, 1 mm amplitude
Shock	30 g, 11 ms, 1/2 sine wave
Humidity	95% non-condensing
Burden current	<25 mA
OFF-state leakage	DC version: 120 µA; two-wire AC: 1.9 mA maximum; three-wire AC: 1.1 mA
ON-state leakage	<2.5 Vdc
Power-up delay	<150 ms

### Wiring Diagrams

Pin numbers are for reference, rely on pin location when wiring.

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Operating Voltage	Output	Terminal and Cable Models	Mini-Connector Models (Face View Male Shown)
<b>Two-Wire Sensors</b>			
20–264 Vac or Vdc 50/60 Hz	NO or NC (NO shown, can be changed to NC using switch on sensor head)		
<b>Four-Wire Sensors</b>			
120 Vac 50/60 Hz	NO and NC ①		
10–30 Vdc	NO and NC NPN ①		
	NO and NC PNP ①		

#### Note

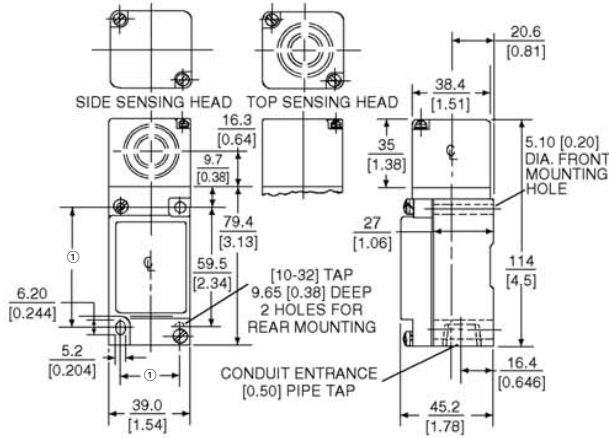
① Changing output switch on sensor head will reverse output function (NO becomes NC, and NC becomes NO).

### Dimensions

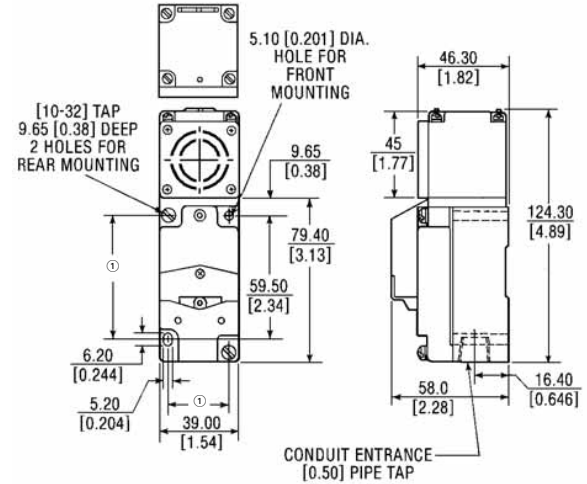
Approximate Dimensions in mm [in]

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##### Standard Sensors



##### Sensor with Logic Module

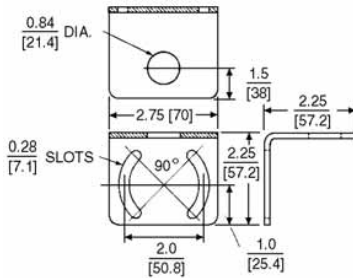


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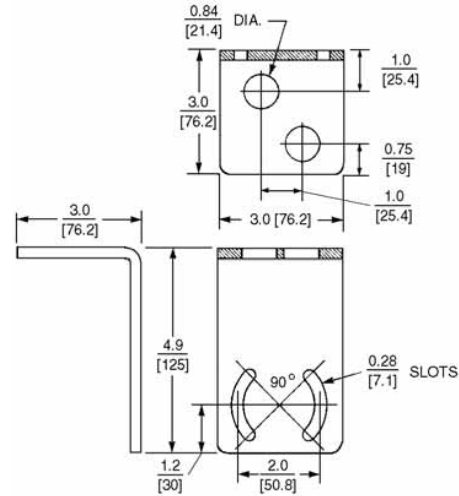
### Accessories

Approximate Dimensions in Inches [mm]

#### Universal Mounting Bracket—One Hole



#### Universal Mounting Bracket—Two Holes



### Note

① Can accommodate both U.S., 29.4 [1.16] x 59.5 [2.34] and DIN, 30 [1.18] x 60 [2.36], mounting dimensions are in mm [in].

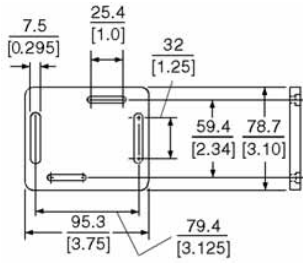
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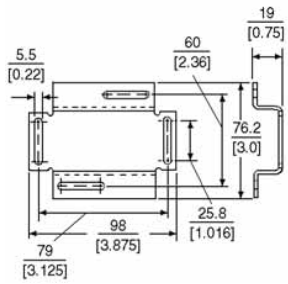
Approximate Dimensions in mm [in]

### Machine Mounting Bracket

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### Stand-Off Mounting Bracket



### Remote Sensor Head Assembly

