

Instruction Manual



Stroboscope qbLEDs Stroboscope QLED-40 Stroboscope QLED-118

1. Complete overview of connections, controls and settings

(A) CHARGE = charging socket (B) INPUT = input for external trigger / 24 V power supply for sensors (C) Display Rotary/push knob (D) (E) Selector switch: OFF, FREQUENCY, BRIGHT, MENU, LASER

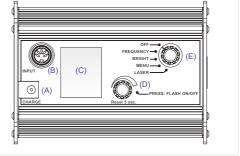
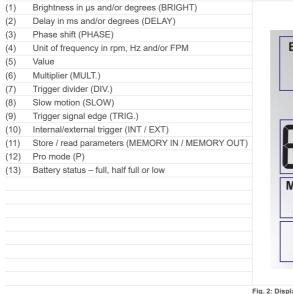


Fig. 1: Stroboscope QLED-118



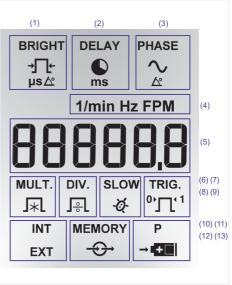


Fig. 2: Display

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2. Technical data

| General parameters | qbLEDs | QLED-40 | QLED-118 | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| Number of LEDs | 40 | 40 | 40 118 | | | |
| Frequency range | 30 - | 300,000 flashes per minute | | | | |
| Display | | LCD, multiline | | | | |
| Accuracy | uracy ±0.02 % (±1 digit / ±0.025 μs) | | | | | |
| Resolution | ution ± 0.1 (30.0 999.9 FPM) | | | | | |
| | ± | 1 (1,000 9,999 FPM) | | | | |
| | ± 10 | 0 (10,000 300,000 FPM) | | | | |
| External trigger input | | 3 - 30 V / max. 5 mA | | | | |
| | | (isolated optocoupler) | | | | |
| | DIN 41 | 524 5-pin standard connector | | | | |
| | | Uout = 24 VDC, 60 mA | | | | |
| Certifications | EMV / EMC 2004/10 | 08/EG; 2006/95 EG; DIN EN 61010-1: | 2011; | | | |
| | DIN EN 62471:2009; CE | ; DIN EN 60825-1:2008 (Version QLE) | D-118) | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Flash parameters | qbLEDs | QLED-40 | QLED-118 | | | |
| Light duration | | Adjustable | | | | |
| Light intensity | ca. 1.750 Lux @ 1° / 300 mm (12 inch) | ca. 1.750 Lux @ 1° / 300 mm (12 inch) | ca. 6.500 Lux @ 1° / 300 mm (12 inch) | | | |
| Flash colour | 2 | approx. 5,000 - 8,000 K | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Power supply | qbLEDs | QLED-40 | QLED-118 | | | |
| Power supply | via mains connection | Integrated lithiur | n-ion batteries | | | |
| Continuous use time | - | approx. 7:00 h @ 0.500° (~875 Lux) approx. 4:00 h @ 2,000 Lux (1.140°) | approx. 2:30 h @ 0.500° (~4,000 Lux) approx. 5:00 h @ 2,000 Lux (0.250°) | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Housing | qbLEDs | QLED-40 | QLED-118 | | | |
| Material | | Aluminium | | | | |
| Dimensions | |) x 112 mm / 6.0 x 5.1 x 4.4 inch | | | | |
| Weight | approx. 850 g | approx. 1,050 g | approx. 1,150 g | | | |
| Ambient conditions | qbLEDs | QLED-40 | QLED-118 | | | |
| Temperature 0 - 40 °C / 32 - 104 °F | | | | | | |
| Type of protection | | IP30 | | | | |

3. About these operating instructions

These operating instructions are an integral part of the device. They must be stored in an easily accessible location and passed on to subsequent users. Ask your supplier if there is something you do not understand.



Read the operating instructions thoroughly and follow the instructions provided. These operating instructions contain important information about installing, starting up and operating the stroboscope. Pay particular attention to the safety information and warnings to prevent injuries and product damage.

The manufacturer reserves the right to continue to develop this device without documenting all developments. Your supplier will be pleased to inform you as to whether these operating instructions are current.

3.1 Conventional representation in this document

3.1.1 Presentation of work instructions

Work instructions are shown in numbered steps and must be carried out in the order stated.

1. Step

→ An arrow is used to show stroboscope reactions to a step.

- 2. Step
- 3. Step

The end of a work instruction is shown as follows:

End of work instruction

A work instruction that only consists of one single step will appear as follows:

Step

4. Intended use

This device is used for inspecting the movement of rotating and vibrating objects. It may only be used in accordance with these instructions. The device must not be opened. Modifications to the device are not permitted. The manufacturer shall not be liable for damage resulting from incorrect use or use contrary to the intended use. Warranty claims will also be invalidated in this event.

A Warning

Risk of injury!

Moving objects appear still or in slow motion in stroboscopic light. Do not touch such objects under any circumstance.

A Warning Risk of injury!

The device may not be used in potentially explosive areas.

A Warning

Risk of injury!

Stroboscopic light can trigger epileptic seizures in persons at risk.

A Warning Risk of injury!

Never direct the LED beam at people or animals and do not stare directly at the beam. A Warning Risk of injury!

Laser class 2

The stroboscope QLED-118 is fitted with a class 2 laser. This is located at the front of the device. The laser beam can damage eyes. For this reason, do not stare directly at the laser beam and never direct it a people or animals. Wavelength: 650 nm, output: 1 mW

▲ Caution

Flashing lights can cause retina damage!



The stroboscope QLED-40 and QLED-118 versions are fitted with 40/118 LEDs respectively. These produce potentially dangerous optical radiation, which can cause retina damage. Do not stare directly at the light and never direct it at people or animals.

A Caution

Warranty void!

The device may only be repaired by the manufacturer or the supplier.



The electronic components in the device contain environmentally harmful substances. They must be disposed of in accordance with the environmental regulations in the country of use.

\triangle Note

Suitable for use in residential, commercial and industrial area.

5. Scope of delivery

Check the scope of delivery. Please note, that this device is available in different versions and that the following scope of delivery may vary.

- stroboscope:
- stationary version qbLEDs (= 40 LEDs, without ingetrated battery and without handle)
- -portable version QLED-40 (= 40 LEDs)
- portable version QLED-118 (= 118 LEDs, with auto-sync laser function)
- operating instructions
- calibration certificate
- charger with connector set
- trigger plug
- reflective tapes (Version QLED-118)
- handle (portable versions)
- case (portable versions)

6. Getting started

6.1 Connectors (Fig. 1)

| No. Marking | Term | Description |
|-------------|---|---|
| (A) CHARGE | Charging socket / Mains connection (version qbLEDs) | Device is charged using the charger / Power supply for the device (version qbLEDs) |
| (B) INPUT | Input socket | Input for external trigger / 24 V power supply for sensor |

6.2 Brief description of set-up steps

Please follow the steps below when setting up the device:

 Charge the device: plug the charger into the CHARGE socket (A) to the rear of the device (see fig. 1 - only applies for portable versions).

\triangle Note

Stationary version qbLEDs without integrated battery and without handle only operable via mains connection.

Direct the device at a moving object and switch on. Turn the selector switch (E) one notch to the left to "FREQUENCY".



The device will start to flash straightaway. For this reason, do not direct it at people or animals.

- The device will flash at the frequency that was set most recently. The display shows the selected flash frequency in the unit that was set most recently (rpm, Hz or FPM).
- If the flash frequency coincides with the frequency of the motion, a static image appears.

△ Note

Static images are produced when the flash frequency is identical to, or a multiple or fraction of the frequency of the motion (see also section 9 "Determining the actual rotational speed of an object")

6.3 Connect trigger

The device has the option of being externally triggered.

▲ Caution

Material damage!

Do not trigger the device with signals in excess of 300,000 FPM.

△ Note

Only use original material from the manufacturer to connect the trigger signal.

The trigger input is isolated. The isolated input is suitable for PNP and NPN signals. A trigger plug suitable for this input socket is included with the device.

- 1. Plug the trigger plug into input socket INPUT (B).
- 2. Screw in trigger plug.
- 3. Assign the connection socket as per fig. 3.



Fig. 3: Assignment of the connection socket

\triangle Note

The device must be manually switched between external and internal trigger signals (see section 7.2.2 "Standard mode / How to select an internal / external trigger").

7. Operation

\triangle Note

Please note that this device comes in two versions. Version 1: stationary stroboscope qbLEDs (= 40 LEDs, without ingetrated battery and without handle) Version 2: portable stroboscope QLED-40 (= 40 LEDs) Version 3: portable stroboscope QLED-118 (= 118 LEDs, with auto-sync laser function)

All three versions are available in standard and pro modes (see section 7.2.2 "Standard mode" and section 7.2.3 "Pro mode").

7.1 Controls (Fig. 1)

| No. Term | Description |
|-------------------------|--|
| (D) Rotary/push knob | Turn the knob to select the value and push to confirm. The adjustment increment depends on the rotational speed. |
| | Turning the knob while pushing it simul- taneously, the adjustment increment is effected in steps of 100. |
| | The flash can be turned off by pushing the knob once and turned on again by pushing the knob once again. |
| (E) Selector switch | Choose between "OFF", "FREQUENCY", "BRIGHT", "MENU" and "LASER" (QLED-118 version) by turning the switch to the desired position. |

7.2 Display

Preset values are retained in each mode (standard or pro mode)!

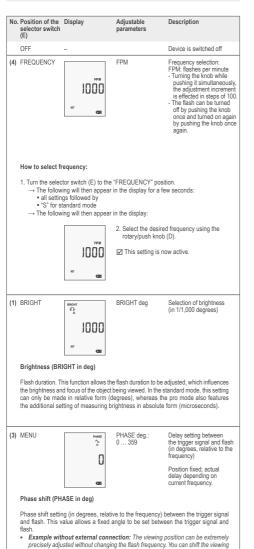
7.2.1 Overview of adjustable parameters

| Position | Display | Availal | ole with | Functions of the r | otary/push knob (D) |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| of the selector switch (E) | | | external trigger | Set value | Select parameter |
| OFF | - | | | | |
| FREQUENCY | FPM | | | • | |
| BRIGHT | BRIGHT deg | | | • | |
| MENU | PHASE deg | • | • | • | |
| | INT / EXT | • | • | | • |
| | Following fund | tions are | only ava | ailable in the PRO |) mode: |
| | 1/min / Hz / FPM | • | • | | • |
| | MULT. | • | | • | |
| | BRIGHT deg / µs | • | • | | • |
| | DELAY ms | • | • | • | |
| | DIV | | • | • | |
| | SLOW | | • | • | |
| | TRIG. | | • | | • |
| | MEM IN | • | • | • | |
| | MEM OUT | • | • | • | |
| | | | | | |

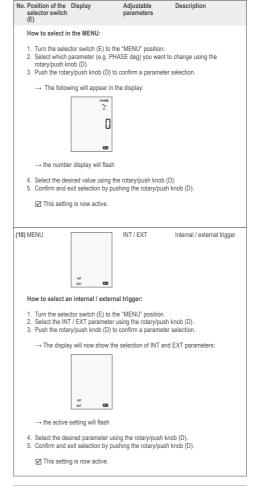
7.2.2 Standard mode (Fig. 2)

△ Note

Not all of the settings shown in fig. 2 are available in standard mode.



position within a movement cycle. • Example with external connection: The external trigger signal is triggered before the desired observation point (= flash position of the stroboscope). This would mean that the connected stroboscope would regularly flash too early. The PHASE deg setting adjusts the delay, altering the flash position of the stroboscope by a set angle. This setting is not affected by the current rotational speed, which means that the stroboscope will flash at the desired position even during rotational speed fluctuations or during the start-up period.



△ Note

The display and adjustable value can be changed by turning the rotary/push knob (D).

7.2.3 Pro mode (Fig. 2)

\triangle Note

Follow the steps below to access the pro mode:

Turn the selector switch (E) from "OFF" to the required position whilst simultaneously holding the rotary/push knob (D) until the "Pro" notification appears in the display.

☑ The following will then appear in the display: "Pro" for pro mode.

\triangle Note

If pro mode is activated, a "P" will be shown in the bottom right area of the display.

\triangle Note

If you have selected settings in pro mode and then switch the device off, these settings will ONLY be active when the device is switched back on if pro mode is activated. Otherwise, only the standard mode settings will be active.

| Nr. | Position of the selector switch (E) | Display | Adjustable parameters | Description |
|------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| | OFF | - | | Device is switched off |
| (4) | FREQUENCY | ич 1000 ит св | FPM | Frequency selection: FPM: flashes per minute - Turning the knob while pushing it simultaneously, the adjustment increment is effected in steps of 100. - The flash can be turned of by pushing the knob once and turned on again by pushing the knob once again. |
| (1) | BRIGHT | anor Ωt α | BRIGHT deg.: 0.025° 3,000° | Selection of brightness unit (to 1/1,000 degrees) |
| | |)000 | BRIGHT μs: 1 2,000 μs | Selection of brightness unit in degrees (displayed in 1/1,000 degrees) or in microseconds. |
| (3) | MENU | | PHASE deg.: 0 359 | Delay setting between the trigger signal and flash (in degrees, relative to the frequency) Position fixed: actual |
| | | a | | delay depending on current frequency. |
| (10) |) MENU | NT EXT CIL | INT / EXT | Internal / external trigger |

\triangle Note

See also section 7.2.2 "Standard mode" for examples and explanations regarding above mentioned display messages.

| | Position of the selector switch (E) | Display | Adjustable parameters | Description | | |
|-----|--|---|---|---|--|--|
| (4) | MENU | timin Hz FPM P Call | rpm / Hz / FPM | Unit of frequency selec - rpm: unit for measuri rotational speed - Hz: flash frequency p second - FPM: flashes per mir | | |
| (6) | MENU | timin U,U JRL P | MULT: x 1, x 2, x 3, / +1, +2, +3, respectively. The selected flash frequency is imme- diately multiplied/ divided by 1, 2, 3 | Multiplier: - This function is only possible when the "internal trigger" selected. | | |
| | Multiplier (MUL | Г.) | | | | |
| | | he harmonic multiple | | or multiplied with intege 9 "Determining the actua | | |
| (1) | MENU | рпалт -{t- ряс р С | BRIGHT: PULSE deg / PULSE µs | Selection of brightness unit (in degrees or micr seconds). | | |
| | Brightness (BRIGHT in deg / BRIGHT in µs) | | | | | |
| | Flash duration 7 | bis function allows | he flash duration to h | e adjusted, which influe | | |
| | ces the brightne | ss and focus of the | object being viewed. econds) or in relative | Brightness can either b | | |
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| (7) | ces the brightne measured in abs MENU MENU Pulse divider (I The pulse divided is then divided. Example: when sensor) sends of | ss and focus of the olute terms (micros | object being viewed. acconds) or in relative DELAY ms: 0.0 2,000 DIV: 1 255 | Brightness can either b terms (degrees). Delay time setting (in milliseconds) between trigger signal and flash Position fixed; actual d depending on current frequency. Pulse divider, max. value 255 - This function is only possible when the "external trigger" is selected. the external trigger sign (er (e.g. rotational spee IV value of 10, it will on - The flash frequency | | |
| (7) | Ces the brightne measured in abs MENU MENU MENU MENU The pulse divider (I The pulse divide is then divided. Example: when sensor) sends or flash once in ever | ss and focus of the olute terms (micros | object being viewed. acconds) or in relative DELAY ms: 0.0 2,000 DIV: 1 255 : a value x, by which eel, an external trigg og scanned. With a E | Brightness can either b terms (degrees). Delay time setting (in milliseconds) between trigger signal and flash Position fixed; actual di depending on current frequency. Pulse divider, max. value 255 - This function is only possible when the 'external trigger' is selected. the external trigger sign. ref (e.g., rotational spee DIV value of 10, it will on - The flash frequency exceeds the trigger frequency by the valu- selected. | | |

| No. Position of the selector switch (E) | Display | Adjustable parameters | Description |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------|--|
| (10) MENU | ™84. *∏1' ₽ | TRIG. 0/1 | Selection of trigger signal edge (increasing: 0, decreasing: 1). This function is only possible when the "external trigger" is selected. |
| (11) MENU | NEMORY P | MEM IN: 1 5 | Selected settings can be backed up in five separate storage locations. |
| (11) MENU | NEMORY P Q+ CEL | MEM OUT : 1 5 | It is possible to read backed-up settings. |

7.2.4 Stroboscope QLED-118 (Fig. 2)

△ Note

The stroboscope QLED-118 features both a higher number of LEDs as well as a laser.

A Warning Risk of injury!

Laser class 2

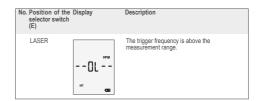
The stroboscope QLED-118 is fitted with a class 2 laser. The laser beam can damage eyes. For this reason, do not stare directly at the laser beam and never direct it at people or animals.

The stroboscope QLED-118 features a laser in addition to the aforementioned settings (see sections 7.2.2 and 7.2.3).

To use the laser, you must first affix a reflective marking onto the object to be measured. Direct the stroboscope at the rotating object. The laser will recognise the marking and measure the rotations.

To enable the integrated "Auto Save" feature, direct the stroboscope at the rotating object for at least 2 seconds. The measured frequency will be stored. After switching to the parameter "Internal trigger", the stroboscope flashes at this frequency and it can now be used for all other settings.

| No Position of the selector switch (E) | Display | Description |
|--|----------------------|---|
| LASER | 3000 INT G | The trigger frequency is 3,000 flashes per minute, determined by the reflective laser beam. |
| LASER | | The trigger frequency is below the measurement range. |



7.2.5 Operating mode

The following operating modes may be displayed:

| No. Position of the selector switch (E) | Display | Description |
|---|--------------------------------|--|
| Battery status | РРМ]000 жт сан | Fully charged |
| Battery status | РРМ) () () () жт ФС] | Half charged |
| Battery status | РРМ) () () () жт сан | Low (symbol will flash) |
| LASER / EXT / SLOW | | The trigger frequency is below the measurement range. |
| LASER / EXT / SLOW | | The trigger frequency is above the measurement range. |

△ Note

The symbol of a parameter that differs from the factory settings will flash during operation.

△ Note

The stroboscope will be automatically switched off after 15 minutes of running on battery power!

7.3 Factory reset

\triangle Note

To reset the factory settings, press and hold the rotary/push knob (D) for at least 5 seconds.

8. Accessories, optional

DIN plug 5-pin, edge bumpers, mounting kit for tripod or articulating arm, articulating arm including mounting kit, tripod, connection cable (1.5 m), extension cable (2.0 m), trigger sensors

9. Determining the actual rotational speed of an object

The stroboscope can be used as a digital revolution indicator to determine an object's actual rotational speed and/or the frequency of cyclical movements. The stroboscope does this by visually "freezing" the object's movement and then taking a reading of the rotational speed or frequency from the LCD display. As is the case with all stroboscopes, it is vital to ensure that this "frozen" image is not a harmonic of the object's actual rotational speed.

Useful information:

- It's helpful to have a rough idea of the object's rotational speed beforehand.
- Regular shaped objects, e.g. a fan with several vanes or a motor shaft, must be affixed with an identification marking (using colour or a reflective strip etc.) in order to be able to differentiate its orientation of movement.
- A still image always appears exactly at integer division of the speed of the object's actual rotational speed!

Example 1 (marking required):



This example shows the importance of using identification markings. Say you want to determine the actual rotational speed of this ventilator.

The only thing you know is that its rotational speed is less than 3,500 rpm. The following "frozen" images will appear if you reduce the flashing rate based on 3,500 FPM (flashes per minute):

| Image No. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Flashing rate | 3,300 | | 1,650 | 1,320 |
| Image No. | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Flashing rate | 1,100 | 825 | 733.3 | 550 |

What is the actual rotational speed of the fan? Images 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8 correspond to the original one, which means the rotational speed could be 3,300, 1,650, 1,100, 825 or 550 rpm.

Which is correct?



To determine the fan's actual rotational speed, one of the ventilator vanes is attached with a marking and the test is repeated.

| Image No. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Flashing rate | 3,300 | 2,200 | 1,650 | 1,320 |
| Image No. | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Flashing rate | 1,100 | 825 | 733.3 | 550 |

The orientation marking confirms that the images at 3,300, 1,650 and 825 rpm are harmonic multiple images. Three identification marks appear in each of these images.

Still images appear at 1,100 rpm and again 550 rpm, each displaying just one mark. Remember that a still image always appears exactly at integer division of the speed of the actual rotational speed of an object. 550 is half of 1,100. This means that the rotational speed of the ventilator must be 1,100 rpm.

Example 2 (no marking required):

This example shows how the actual rotational speed of an object can be determined without using an orientation marking. This is only possible for suitably shaped objects.



Let's assume the only thing we know about this cam is that it rotates at less than 7,000 rpm. Its clear shape eliminates the need for an orientation marking. The following "frozen" images will appear if the flashing rate of 7,000 is reduced:

Image No.

Flashing rate 6,0

The images showing 6,000 and 4,000 rpm are double or multiple images rather than single images. Still images appear at 3,000 and again at 1,500 rpm. 1,500 is half of 3,000. This means that the actual rotational speed is 3,000 rpm.

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