# Force sensors **DLMx0-BU**

Compact force sensors for industrial applications



Operating instructions





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# Safety

#### Intended use

This product is a precision device and serves the identification of items, objects or physical measurements and the preparation or provision of measured values as electric variables for the superordinate system. Unless specifically labeled, this product may not be used in explosive environments. The product is not intended for end users. Potentially additionally applicable EU directives must be verified by the device manufacturer.

#### Start-up

Assembly, installation and calibration of this product may only be performed by a specialist.

#### Installation

Only use intended fasteners and accessories for the installation. Outputs not in use may not be wired. Cable outputs with unused wires must be insulated. Do not go below permissible cable bending radii. The system must be switched off before electrically connecting the product. If required, shielded cables must be used to prevent electro-magnetic interference. If the customer assembles plug connections to shielded cables, then EMC-version plug connections should be used. The cable shield must be connected to a large area of the plug housing.

Delivery	
Article	Quantity
Sensor	1

# Structure and function



The sensor is screwed on one side to a machine element and measures the applied force. Changes to the force are measured on the spring body by resistance strain gauges and converted into an electric signal. The measurement signal of the sensor is positive with a compressive force. The output signal is proportionate to the force.

# Signal word

CAUTION

A situation that could lead to material damage.

# Transportation and storage

#### CAUTION

- ▶ Damage to the sensor by dropping.
- ▶ Do not drop the sensor when unpackaged.
- ► Check the packaging and sensor for damages.
- ▶ In case of damage: do not use the sensor.
- ▶ Transport and/or store the sensor in unopened original packaging only.
- ▶ Store the sensor secure from impacts. Storage temperature: -40 ... +85 °C

## Preparing the installation

#### CAUTION

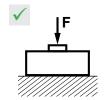
Baumer "Button" force sensors are suitable for compressive force measurement in rough industrial settings. The following steps must be implemented before installation of the force sensor:

- 1. Drill four through holes with the appropriate diameter at a 90-degree angle into the desired installation surface. Observe the direction of the cable outlet.
- 2. Select the appropriate screws for your sensor with the required length.
- 3. Clean the installation surface from soiling such as oil and grease.

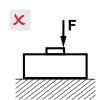
	DLM20-BU	DLM30-BU	DLM40-BU
Hole circle diameter in mm	16.5	25	33
Diameter of the through drill holes in mm	2.4	3.4	3.4
Required screws	M2	M3	M3

#### Important

For reliable measurements, specific requirements for the installation surfaces and the force transmission must be complied with. It is recommended to mechanically treat the contact surface.



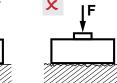
The force must be applied centrically.



Non-centrical force application leads to linearity and sensitivity deviations.



The force must be applied axially. Non-axial force application leads to linearity and sensitivity deviations.



The sensor contact surface must be smooth. A too rough surface leads to linearity and sensitivity deviations.



The sensor contact surface must be sufficiently rigid and may not deform under force. A too soft contact surface leads to sensitivity deviations and in extreme cases to a failure of the sensor.

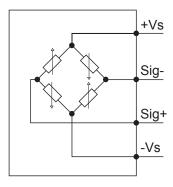
#### Installation

The button compressive force sensors are screwed with four screws on an even and flat contact surface. We recommend installation with a torque wrench and the tightening torque for the applicable sensor dimension.

DLM20-BU	DLM30-BU	DLM40-BU
0.3 Nm	1.3 Nm	1.3 Nm

# **Electrical connection**

The DLMx0-BU force sensors are passive force sensors without electronic amplifiers. The output signal is mV/V and proportionate to the force. The measurement bridge of the force sensors is structured as follows.



As standard, Baumer force sensors are equipped with 4-pin plugs. The DLM20 version features an M5 plug, the DLM30 and DLM40 versions an M8 plug.

DLM20	DLM30 and DLM40	Pin	
1		1	+Vs
	4 3	2	Sig +
4 2		3	-Vs
	2 1	4	Sig –
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In addition, a constant voltage supply source is needed for reliable and repeatable measurements. Make sure to operate the force sensors in the operating voltage range. For passive force sensors, the operating voltage range is between 2 and 7 VDC (UL-Class 2).

Shielded cables are recommended for use with the force sensors.

# Operation

- Make sure that the sensor is assembled correctly and only operated in the defined nominal force range
- ► To minimize the effect of settlement, fully load the sensor 10 times, if possible.

# Maintenance and repair

#### Preventive maintenance

Regular maintenance is not required.

#### Repair

- ▶ Do not repair the sensor yourself.
- ► Return a damaged sensor to Baumer. For contact addresses visit www.baumer.com.

## Disposal



- ► Do not dispose of in household waste.
- Separate the materials and dispose according to national regulations.

# Applicable documents

For general notes see the insert sheet. For technical data see the data sheet: www.baumer.com For accessories see www.baumer.com