Quartz Waveplates



Quartz waveplates are zero-order retardation plates (phase plates) which are assembled from pairs of optically contacted crystalline quartz plates and are mounted on aluminum frames. Unlike multiple-order (higher-order) waveplates that are made from a single quartz plate, the net retardations of zero-order waveplates are almost not affected by temperature change.

- These products utilize birefringence of quartz and give phase difference of $\lambda/4$ ($\pi/2$, 90°) or $\lambda/2$ (π , 180°) to the input beams. $\lambda/4$ retarders convert linearly polarization to circularly and circularly polarization to linearly. $\lambda/2$ retarders convert the direction of polarization in 90 degrees.
- Usually linearly polarized beams are input to the waveplates in a leaning of 45 degrees against its optic axis.



Aluminum frame

Linearly polarized light

Multi-laver anti-reflection coating

Optic axis (fast)

Schematic

Linearly polarized light

Multi-layer anti-reflection coating

Optic axis (slow)

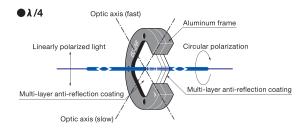
Specifications			
Material	Optical grade crystalline quarts		
Material of frame	Aluminum Finishing: Black anodized		
Clear aperture	17×17mm		
Surface flatness of substrate	λ/10		
Angular deviation of beam	<5"		
Coating	Both surfaces: Narrowband multi-layer anti-reflection coating		
retardation tolerance	$<\lambda/50$ ($\lambda<400$ nm) $\lambda/100 - \lambda/200$ (400 nm $<\lambda<700$ nm) $\lambda/200 - \lambda/500$ (700 nm $<\lambda$)		
Transmittance	>99%		
Laser Damage Threshold	1J/cm ² (Laser pulse width 10ns, repetition frequency 20Hz)		
Surface Quality (Scratch-Dig)	20–10		

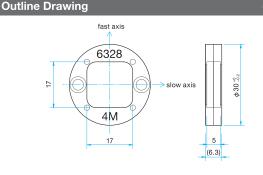
Guide

▶ Please contact our International Sales Division for customized products. (Customized on size etc.)

Attention

- ▶These products can be used for the beams which wavelengths are in +/-1% of rated wavelengths
- The surface flatness is the reflected wavefront distortion of the surface before coating
- ▶ Be sure to wear laser safety goggles when checking optical path and adjusting optical axis.





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Part Number	Wavelength Range [nm]	Theoretical retardation [nm]	Laser Type		
QWP-2660-2M	266	133.0	YAG4ω		
QWP-3250-2M	325	162.5	He-Cd		
QWP-3550-2M	355	177.5	YAG3ω		
QWP-4050-2M	405	202.5	LD		
QWP-4100-2M	410	205.0	LD		
QWP-4416-2M	441.6	220.8	He-Cd		
QWP-4579-2M	457.9	229.0	Ar		
QWP-4880-2M	488	244.0	Ar		
QWP-5145-2M	514.5	257.3	Ar		
QWP-5320-2M	532	266.0	YAG2ω		
QWP-5900-2M	590	295.0	DYE		
QWP-6328-2M	632.8	316.4	He-Ne		
QWP-6700-2M	670	335.0	LD		
QWP-6943-2M	694.3	347.2	RUBY		
QWP-7800-2M	780	390.0	LD		
QWP-8300-2M	830	415.0	LD		
QWP-10640-2M	1064	532.0	YAG		
QWP-11500-2M	1150	575.0	He-Ne		
QWP-13000-2M	1300	650.0	LD		
QWP-15500-2M	1550	775.0	LD		

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Part Number	Wavelength Range [nm]	Theoretical retardation [nm]	Laser Type
QWP-2660-4M	266	66.5	YAG4ω
QWP-3250-4M	325	81.3	He-Cd
QWP-3550-4M	355	88.8	YAG3ω
QWP-4050-4M	405	101.3	LD
QWP-4100-4M	410	102.5	LD
QWP-4416-4M	441.6	110.4	He-Cd
QWP-4579-4M	457.9	114.5	Ar
QWP-4880-4M	488	122.0	Ar
QWP-5145-4M	514.5	128.6	Ar
QWP-5320-4M	532	133.0	YAG2ω
QWP-5900-4M	590	147.5	DYE
QWP-6328-4M	632.8	158.2	He-Ne
QWP-6700-4M	670	167.5	LD
QWP-6943-4M	694.3	173.6	RUBY
QWP-7800-4M	780	195.0	LD
QWP-8300-4M	830	207.5	LD
QWP-10640-4M	1064	266.0	YAG
QWP-11500-4M	1150	287.5	He-Ne
QWP-13000-4M	1300	325.0	LD
QWP-15500-4M	1550	387.5	LD