



Corning® Varioptic® A-25H Variable Focus Lens

Overview

The Corning® Varioptic® A-25H variable focus lens uses adjustable lens technology enabling variable focus with absolutely no moving parts. Its low power consumption, high shock resistance, and fast focus ability make it ideal for auto focus and continuous auto focus applications in portable devices, where it will deliver outstanding performance, as well as in laser applications, where it will enable variable focus control. For more information on this lens, please refer to the A-25H Technical Data Sheet (TEDS).

Ordering Information

- **Corning® Varioptic® A-25H0 variable focus lens:** has anti-reflective (AR) coatings optimized in the visible range
- **Corning® Varioptic® A-25H1 variable focus lens:** has AR coatings optimized in near infrared range
- **Corning® Varioptic® A-25H9 variable focus lens:** has no AR coatings
- **Corning® Varioptic® A-25HX-P10 variable focus lens:** Packaged A-25HX – 6-pin, 0.5 mm pitch straight flex cable (X=0,1,9) with on-flex thermistor

Performance Summary

- 18 diopters dynamic range
- Low wave front error, 30 nm typical
- Low power consumption: 20 to 40 mW typical depending on driver

Example of Applications

- Barcode readers, machine vision
- Medical imaging
- Biometrics
- Lasers



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Opto-Electrical Performance

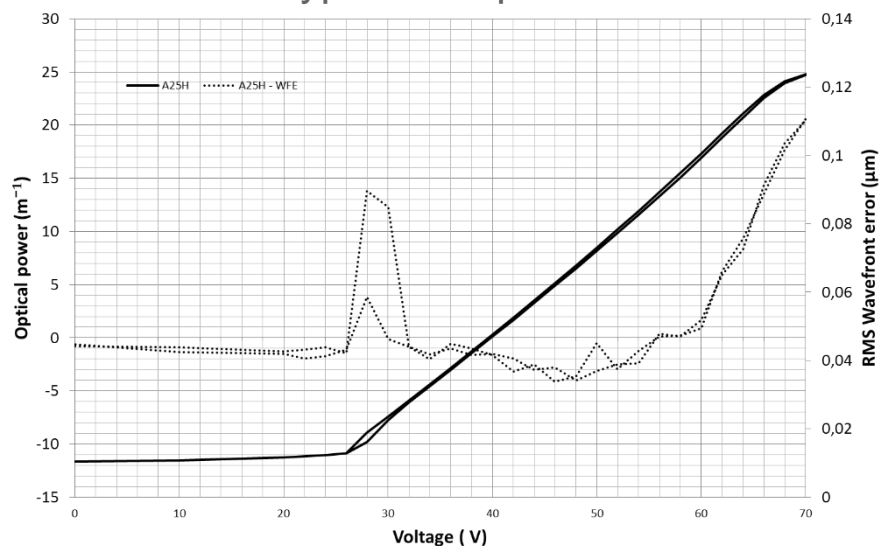
@25°C, @635 nm unless otherwise stated

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Typ	Notes
Aperture size	mm	\varnothing_e	2.5	(1)
Low optical power	m^{-1}	P_L	-5	
Voltage for P_L	V	V_L	34	
High optical power	m^{-1}	P_H	+13	
Voltage for P_H	V	V_H	54	
Optical power @ 0V	m^{-1}	P_o	-12	
Wave Front Error, rms	nm	WFE_{rms}	30	(2); (3); (4)
Voltage @ 0 diopter	V	V_{0D}	39.5	(4)
Slope	$(m.V)^{-1}$	S	0.85	(4)
Transmission @ 587 nm	%	T_{587}	97	

Notes:

- (1) Pupil size on the bottom part of the adjustable lens.
- (2) Measured on pupil size and on $[P_L; P_H]$ – WFE is mainly astigmatism.
- (3) Parameter is compiled on $[P_L; P_H]$.
- (4) Parameter measured with a 2 V sampling.

Typical Response



The optical response is a linear function of voltage on $[P_L; P_H]$: $P = S(V_{rms} - V_{0D})$.

Electrical Specifications

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Min</i>	<i>Typ</i>	<i>Max</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Capacitance	pF	C		100	150	
Q Factor	-	Q		26		
Driving Frequency	kHz	f		1	5	(1)
Current consumption	μA	I _{max}			200	
AC input Voltage, rms	V	V _{rms}			60	

Notes:

- (1) All parameters in the data sheet are specified for a 1 kHz sine wave front.

It is recommended that the lens only be used with a qualified driver.

For laboratory tests, a square signal can be applied using a laboratory function generator, providing the fact that the signal contains no DC voltage. Use of DC voltage or DC/AC voltage combinations will lead to abnormal behavior and limited lifetime of the adjustable lens.

The following driver ICs are qualified for Corning Varioptic A-25H lenses:

- Maxim MAX 14574
- Microchip HV892

Important note:

Corning Varioptic Lenses are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). Use caution when handling.

Temperature Range

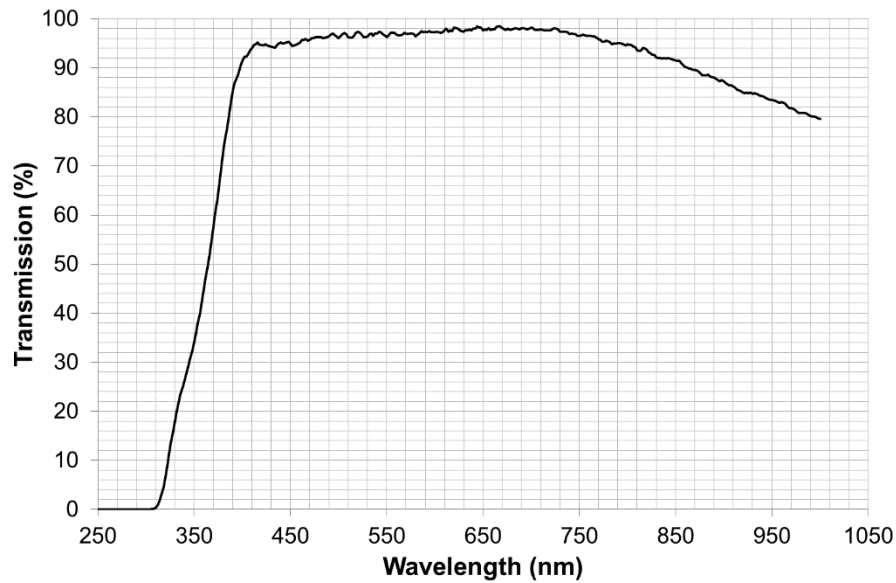
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Operating temperature range	°C	-30°C	25	+85°C	
Storage temperature range	°C	-40°C	25	+85°C	

Remarks:

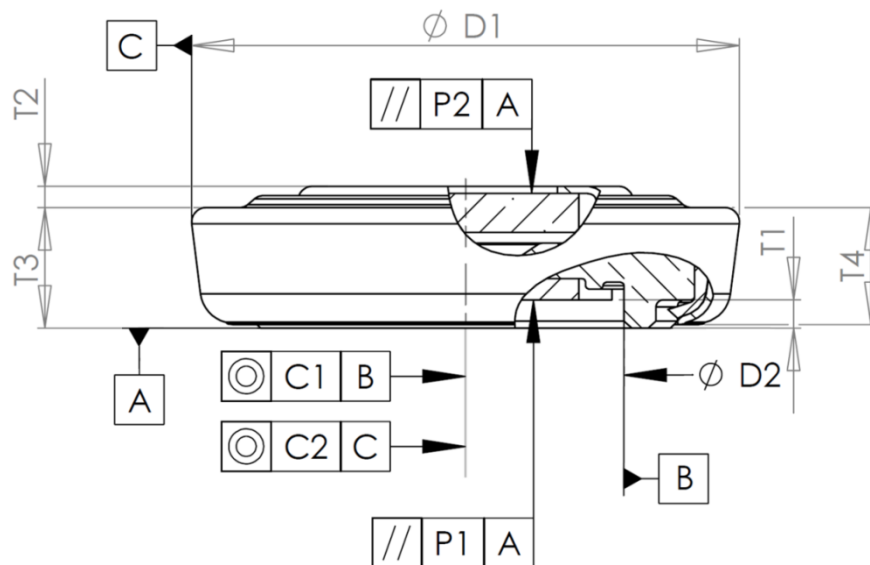
- Corning Varioptic Lenses are not designed to be soldered. For electrical connection, please refer to the application notes.
- Storage above maximum storage temperature will reduce lifetime of the lens. Temporary or permanent damage may occur if the maximum temperature is exceeded.

Transmission Performance

The two outer surfaces of the glass windows of the adjustable lenses have AR coatings. These AR coatings have been optimized in the visible range.



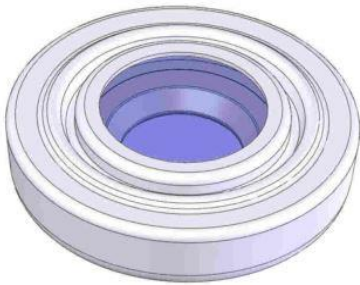
Mechanical Dimensions



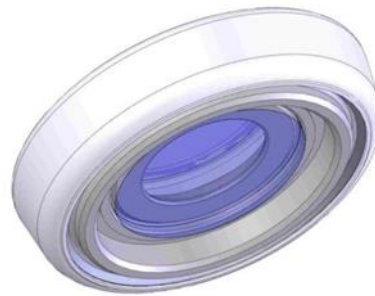
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External diameter	mm	D1	7.72		
Recess diameter	mm	D2	5.2		
Recess depth	mm	T1	0.4		
Thickness, front area	mm	T2	0.4		(1)
Thickness, flat to bottom	mm	T3	1.75		
Thickness, flat to cap edge	mm	T4	1.6		
Parallelism, rear window to A	mm	P1		0.06	
Parallelism, front window to A	mm	P2		0.05	
Concentricity, optical axis to B	mm	C1		0.03	(2)
Concentricity, optical axis to C	mm	C2	0.015		(2)

Notes:

- (1) Temperature dependent. A 50 μm free space in front of cap should be left available for thermal expansion.
(2) Optical axis decenter is half of the concentricity value.

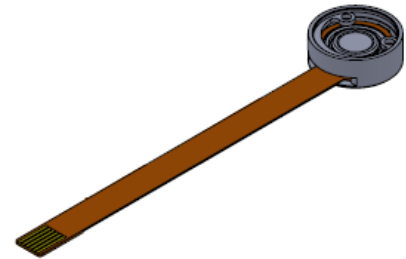
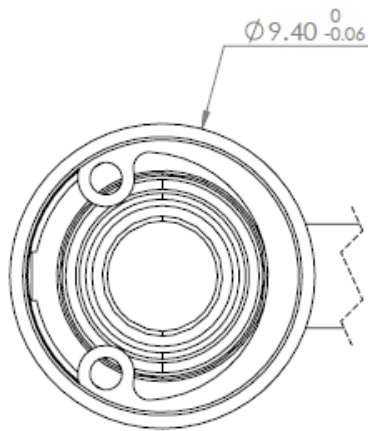
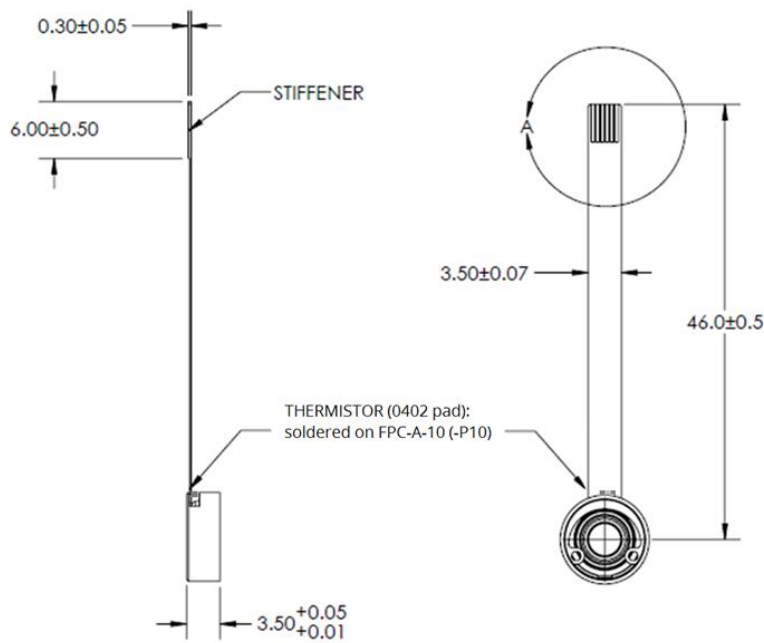


Top view of lens

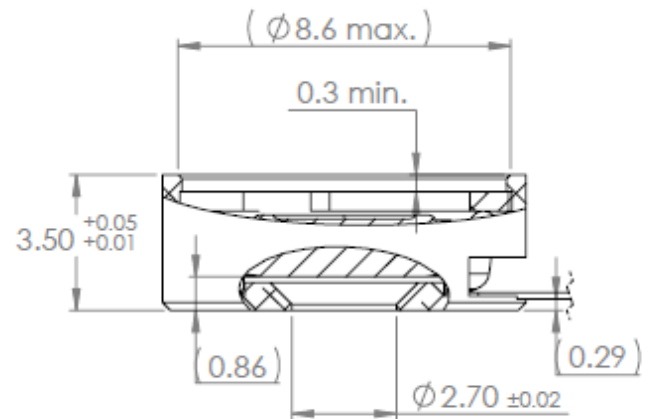
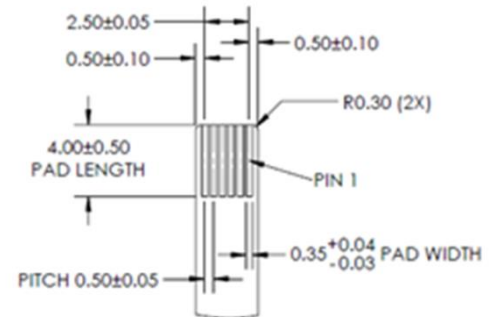


Rear view of lens

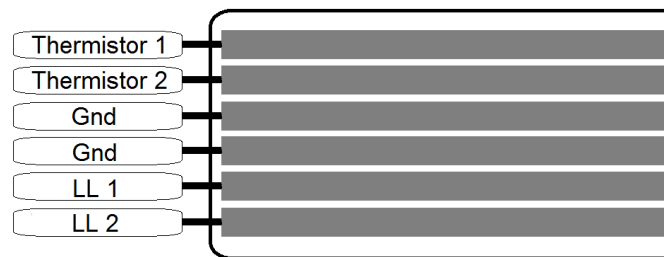
A-25HX-P10



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DRAWING FOR DETAILS



Electrical Contact for A-25HX-P10



The following 0.5 mm pitch, 6-pin FPC connectors are compatible with the FPC tip:

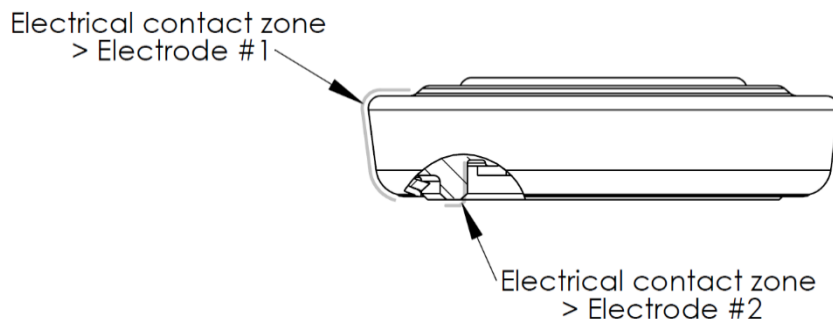
- 525590652 from Molex
- 5034800600 from Molex

FPC-A-10 is populated with a 0402 thermistor (Reference: ERTJ0ES104F from Panasonic).

Marketing Datasheet

Integration of A-25H

Electrical connection is done like a coin battery on the top and bottom parts of the lens. Locations of electrical contact are shown in the drawing below:

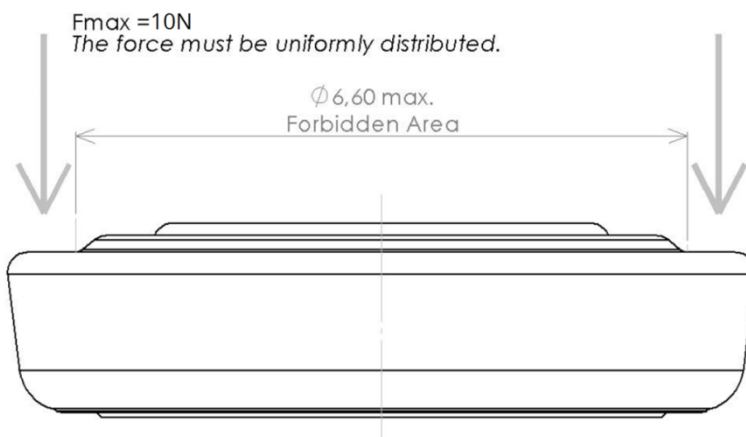


A 5 Ω max contact resistance is recommended to allow appropriate electrical connection.

For more details about electrical connection, please refer to the Corning Varioptic Lenses application notes.

The upper part of the lens acts as a membrane to compensate temperature variations.

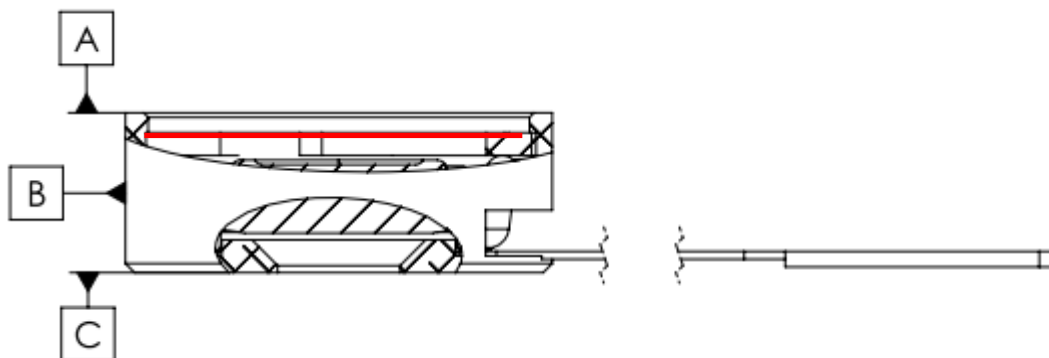
The central area of the lens inside a 6.6 mm diameter and 0.05 mm thickness disc should be left free for any mechanical parts. The area outside this disc can be used to maintain the lens with a maximum force of 10 N uniformly distributed.



Integration of A-25HX-PYY

Only the datums A, B and C must be used as a mechanical reference (see drawing below).

Avoid mechanical contact with other surfaces (especially the surface in red on the drawing below).



Note: In packaged A-25HX-PYY, the flex cable inputs are directly on the bottom side (Surface 6 in previous schematic) of the adjustable lens.

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