LightIR 16-180mm f/3.6

Folded-Optic Zoom Lens
Designed for Reduced SWaP MWIR 10µm VGA Detectors



The Ophir LightIR 16-180mm MWIR f/3.6 continuous zoom lens is a compact, thermal imaging lens optimized for 10µm pitch VGA FPA (focal plane array) detectors.

It features a folded optics design that significantly reduces the length of the lens and, therefore, the overall size and weight of the optical system in which it is incorporated.

The lens is 65% smaller than existing MWIR (medium wave infrared) 10 μ m VGA lenses. With its disruptive combination of SWaP capabilities, detection range over 13+ km, and cost-effective pricing, the new zoom lens is an enabler for advanced drone, tactical UAV IR cameras, as well as micro-/mini-tactical payloads in the commercial, homeland security, and defense markets.

With a focal length of 16-180mm and an f/stop of 3.6, the latest LightIR is a compact, high performance, motorized continuous zoom lens. The folded optics design enables long optical lengths, which produce a reduced sensitivity to tolerances in compact configurations that incorporate fewer optical elements. The innovative design also enables near diffraction-limit performance in harsh environments, and addresses such challenges as line-of-sight (LOS) stabilization and athermalization.

At only 460gr, it is one of the lightest weight, continuous zoom lenses on the market. It maintains sharp focus over the entire zoom range. The mechanical and electrical interface assures easy integration into camera systems.

Product Features

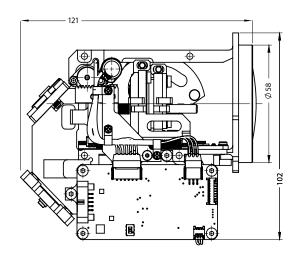
- Meets low SWaP demand with long EFL
- Efficient folded optics design for max. volume use
- Designed for MWIR 10µm pitch VGA sensors
- Ideal for mini/ micro tactical payloads
- Detection range exceeds 13km*





Note: Calculated values real world performance may vary depending on the weather conditions.





WFOV (16mm)

| HFOV | 640x480 |
|------|---------|
| 10μ | 22.6° |

NFOV (180mm)

| HFOV | 640x480 |
|------|---------|
| 10µ | 2.0° |

| Property | Value | | |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------|--|
| Optical | WFOV | NFOV | |
| Focal Length | 16mm | 180mm | |
| F# | 3.6 | | |
| Average transmission (3.4-4.2µm) | ≥80% (LRHC); >82% (HD) | | |
| Cold stop to FPA Distance | 12mm | | |
| Cold Stop CA | Ø3.37mm | Ø3.37mm | |
| Back Focal Length | 23.08mm in air | 23.08mm in air | |
| Distortion (in diagonal) | <2% | | |
| Minimum Focusing Range | 5m | 50m | |
| Nuc (by defocus) | Blur to 7mm diameter | | |
| Mechanical | | | |
| Focus Mechanism | Motorized. Adjustable | | |
| Focus Time (minimum range to ∞) | ≤8 sec. | | |
| Zoom Time (NFOV to WFOV) | ≤8 sec. | | |
| Max. Dimensions | Length 121mm; Width 70mm; height 102mm | | |
| Weight | 460gr | | |
| Electrical | | | |
| Lens Control | Designated lens controller | | |
| Drive Voltage | 6-12VDC | | |
| Current Consumption | < 0.5A average, 1.0A peak | | |
| Communication Protocol | RS422 | | |
| Environmental | | | |
| Operation Temperature | -32°C to +75°C | | |
| Storage Temperature | -54°C to +85°C | | |
| Sealing | IP67 front lens only | | |
| Configurations | | | |
| 680389-001 | High Durability | | |
| 680389-002 | Low Reflection Hard Carbon | | |





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