





(ACTUAL SIZE)



## **OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES**

The Star Beacon is a thermal combat ID beacon for covertly marking blue force personnel and vehicles. It emits no visible signature and is undetectable by conventional image intensifier-based night vision equipment. The Star beacon has an optical output of approximately 2300 mW in the mid-wave IR band (3 to 5 micron) and/or 400 mW in the long-wave IR band (8 to 12 microns). The beacon emits in a full hemispherical pattern for high visibility by air or ground mounted thermal imaging systems. The emitter head, battery pack, and mount system can be easily configured for use on a helmet, vehicle, MOLLE vest, or pack.

- Positive ID of blue force assets from both ground and airborne thermal imaging systems
- 1 km visibility to cooled LWIR imagers 10 km visibility in MWIR with common imagers
- Invisible to Gen I, II, and III image intensifiers
- Neodymium magnets for attachment to vehicles and integral bracket for various attachment options to a helmet, vest, or pack
- Multiple Star Beacons can be wirelessly synchronized to flash in unison.
- Battery pack with (6) 123 batteries provides 5 hours of continuous run time.
- · Also runs on external power, 12 to 32 VDC.
- · Full hemispherical emission from the horizon to zenith

## PHYSICAL FEATURES

Internal Power:

(6) 123 lithium batteries

Run Time:

5 hours

**External Power:** 

12-32 VDC

Dimensions (Beacon):

2.8in x 2.0in x 0.8in

Dimensions (Battery Pack):

3.7in x 2.6in x 1.0in

Weight (with Batteries):

160g (5.6 ounces)

# OPTICAL PERFORMANCE

Wavelength:

3 to 5μm and/or 8 to 12μm

In-Band Optical Power - 3 to 5 µm:

2300mW

In-Band Optical Power - 8 to 12 μm:

400mW

**Optical Divergence:** 

full hemisphere: 360° azimuth x

90° elevation

Detectable Range

(MWIR - InSb, See Spot): 10km

**Detectable Range** 

(LWIR - TIMS 1500): 1km

# **ENVIRONMENTAL SPECS**

Operating Temperature Range: -30°C (-22°F) to 50°C (122°F)

Storage Temperature Range:

-40°C (-40°F) to 80°C (176°F)

**Environmental:** 

waterproof to 66ft

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