DMX REFERENCE

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StageBar RGBWA+Uv

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1 About this manual

This document describes the StageBar RGBWA+Uv by PLS. It was compiled from the GDTF file PLS_StageBar_ST-1818B_88409.gdtf from the GDTF-Share library.

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The DMX modes, the channel functions and the technical data are given as the GDTF file states them. Installation, operation from the device's control panel, service and safety instructions are described in the manufacturer's original user manual, which takes precedence over this document.

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Safety notices are marked with signal words according to the severity of the hazard: DANGER – an imminent hazard that will result in death or serious injury; WARNING – a potential hazard that could result in death or serious injury; CAUTION – a potential hazard that could result in minor injury or property damage; NOTE – additional information for correct and safe use.

> **NOTE** This product is designed for stage and effect lighting. It is not suitable for household room illumination.

2 Quick reference

Parameter	Value
Weight	6 kg

DMX modes

Mode	Channels	Units in one universe	First start addresses
11ch Mode	11	46	1, 12, 23, 34, ...
108ch Mode	108	4	1, 109, 217, 325

No light? Check these channels

- 11ch Mode: CH 1 Dimmer above 0


Read the manual before use


Do not stare into the light


Indoor use only

3 Safety instructions



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Indoor use only

⚠ WARNING

- This device is intended for professional use. Installation, connection, setup and maintenance must be carried out only by suitably qualified persons who have read this manual.
- Use the device only for its intended purpose and as described in this manual.
- Do not open the housing and do not modify or tamper with the device. Refer all repairs to an authorized service center.
- Do not use the device if its housing, power or data cable, or a connector is damaged, if the device has been dropped, or if liquid or a foreign object has entered it. In such a case, have it checked by a service center.
- Disconnect the device from the power supply before cleaning, maintenance or any work on the connections.
- After moving the device from a cold to a warm environment, let it reach room temperature before switching it on to prevent condensation inside.
- The device is not a toy; keep it out of the reach of children.

⚠ WARNING

- This device is designed for indoor use only. Protect it from rain, splashing water, moisture and dust, and do not place containers with liquids on it.
- Do not operate the device in high humidity, near water, or where condensation can form on it.

⚠ CAUTION

- This device emits intense light. Do not look directly into the light source or the beam at close range; doing so may damage your eyes.
- Do not aim the beam at the eyes of people or animals at close range, and do not view the light source through optical instruments (binoculars, camera lenses).
- Do not aim the beam at flammable or heat-sensitive materials at close range.

⚠ WARNING

- This device emits ultraviolet (UV) radiation, which can harm the eyes and skin.
- Do not look directly into the light source and avoid prolonged exposure of the eyes and skin at close range. Install the device so that people are not exposed at close range.
- People with increased sensitivity to light, including those taking medication that increases this sensitivity, should avoid UV exposure.

⚠ CAUTION

- Strobe and fast flashing light effects can trigger epileptic seizures in susceptible people (photosensitive epilepsy) and can cause nausea or disorientation.
- Inform the audience and performers in advance that strobe effects will be used, for example with a notice at the entrance, and do not use them longer than necessary.

4 Installation

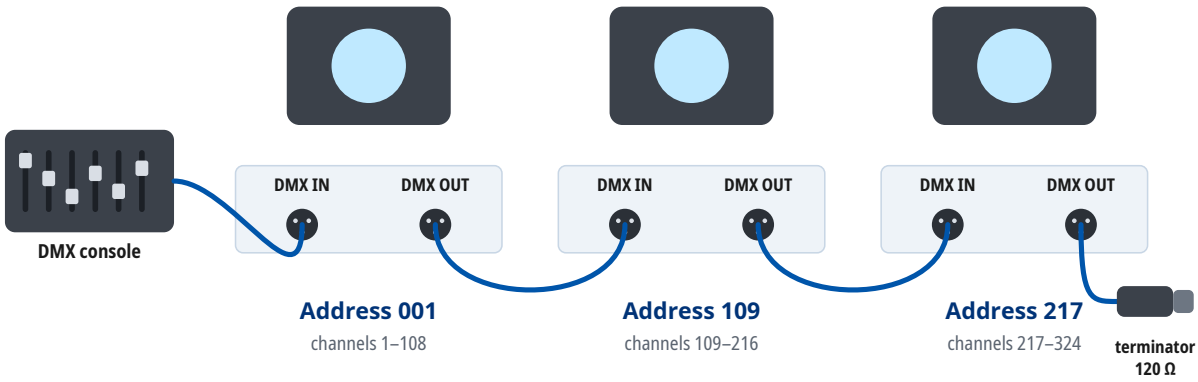
⚠ WARNING

- Rigging must be carried out only by qualified persons in accordance with applicable regulations, in particular those for work at height.
- The supporting structure and fixings must safely carry the weight of all suspended devices; verify their load capacity in advance.
- Weight of the device: 6 kg.
- Use suitable mounting hardware (for example truss clamps) and tighten all screw connections properly.
- Always secure the suspended device against falling with a safety cable of adequate load capacity, routed through a fixed point of the device and around the supporting structure.
- During installation and removal, keep people out of the area below the work position.
- Regularly inspect the fixings and the safety cable for damage, corrosion and loosening.

5 Connections

- Use shielded cable designed for DMX512 with an impedance of 110 Ω. Ordinary microphone cable is not suitable for DMX, especially over longer distances.
- Connect the devices in a daisy chain: connect the DMX OUT of one device to the DMX IN of the next. Do not split the line with Y-cables or wire it in a star; the line may be split only with a DMX splitter.
- Connect the shield to pin 1 only. Do not connect the shield (ground) to the metal shell of the connector; this can cause short circuits or erratic behavior.
- XLR pin assignment: pin 1 – shield (ground), pin 2 – Data- (Data Complement), pin 3 – Data+ (Data True). On 5-pin connectors, pins 4 and 5 are not connected; a 5-pin connector can be connected to a 3-pin one with a cable adapter.
- Terminate the end of the line (for impedance matching): plug an XLR connector with a 120 Ω, ¼ W resistor between pins 2 and 3 into the DMX OUT of the last device. This reduces the risk of erratic behavior.
- Connect no more than 32 devices to one DMX line. For more devices or longer runs, use a DMX splitter or booster.

DMX line



Mode 108ch Mode: every unit occupies 108 channels from its address. At most 32 units on one line; for more units or longer runs use a DMX splitter. A 120 Ω terminator closes the last DMX OUT.

6 Operation

Setting the DMX address

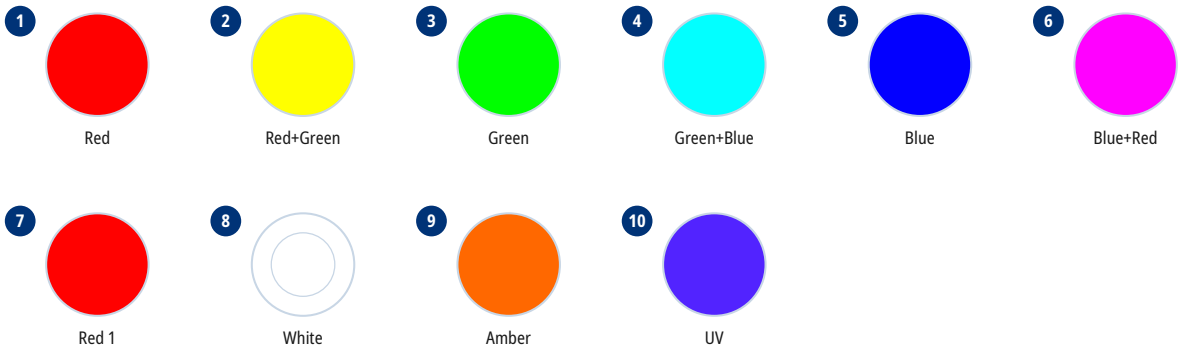
- The device occupies as many consecutive channels in the DMX universe as the selected DMX mode uses, starting at the set start address.
- Number of channels occupied in the DMX mode “108ch Mode”: 108.
- Choose start addresses so that the channels of individual devices do not overlap and the last occupied channel does not exceed 512. Devices with the same start address and mode respond identically.
- For several devices in a row in the DMX mode “108ch Mode”, you can use, for example, the start addresses 1, 109, 217, 325.
- The DMX mode set on the device must match the fixture profile (personality) used in the controller.

7 Functions at a glance

Functions in each DMX mode

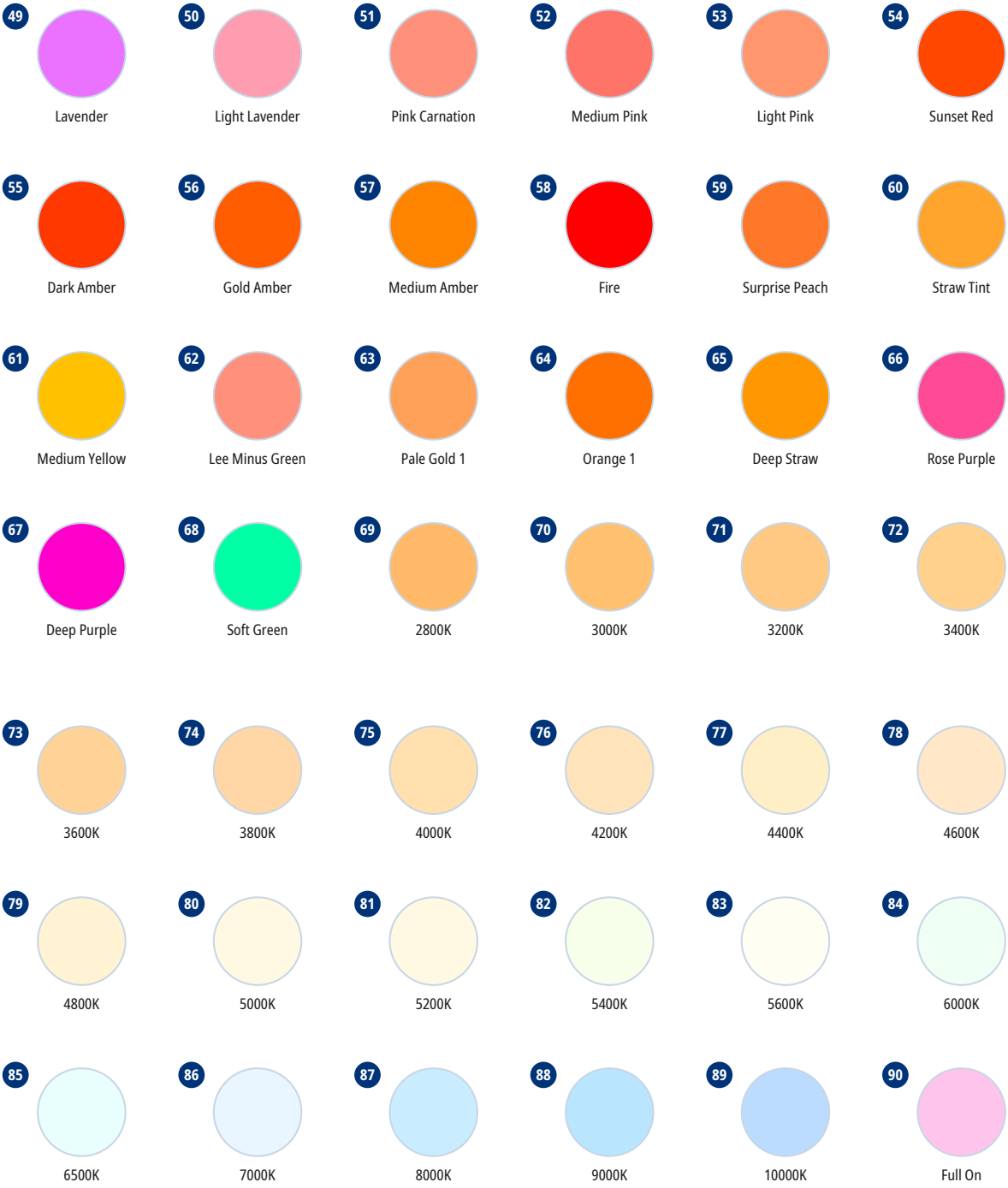
	11ch Mode 11 channels	108ch Mode 108 channels
Dimmer	1	
Shutter / strobe	2	
Color mixing	6–11	1–108

Color wheel 1

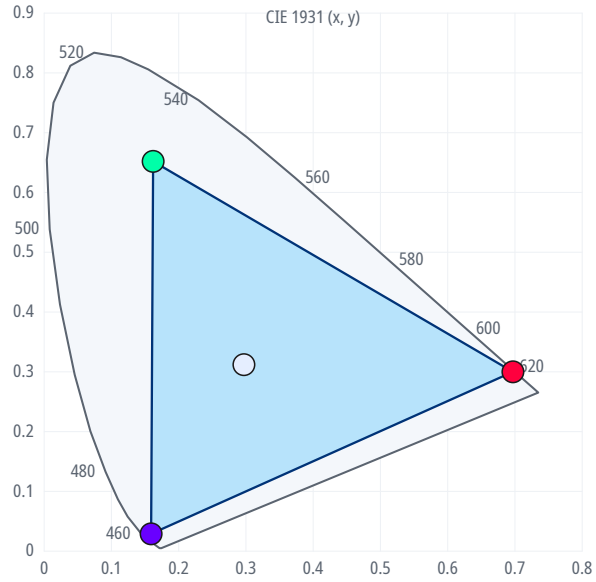


Color wheel 2




49 Lavender
50 Light Lavender
51 Pink Carnation
52 Medium Pink
53 Light Pink
54 Sunset Red
55 Dark Amber
56 Gold Amber
57 Medium Amber
58 Fire
59 Surprise Peach
60 Straw Tint
61 Medium Yellow
62 Lee Minus Green
63 Pale Gold 1
64 Orange 1
65 Deep Straw
66 Rose Purple
67 Deep Purple
68 Soft Green
69 2800K
70 3000K
71 3200K
72 3400K
73 3600K
74 3800K
75 4000K
76 4200K
77 4400K
78 4600K
79 4800K
80 5000K
81 5200K
82 5400K
83 5600K
84 6000K
85 6500K
86 7000K
87 8000K
88 9000K
89 10000K
90 Full On

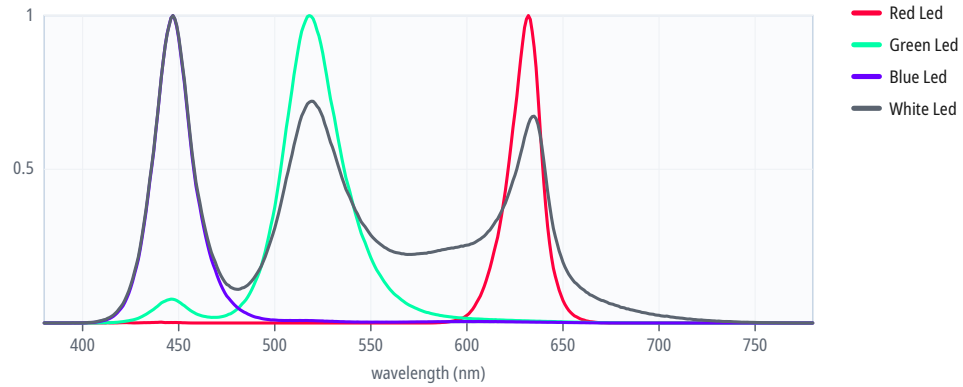
LED colors and the colors they mix



LED	x	y	nm
Red Led	0.697	0.300	625
Green Led	0.162	0.652	520
Blue Led	0.159	0.029	452
White Led	0.297	0.312	

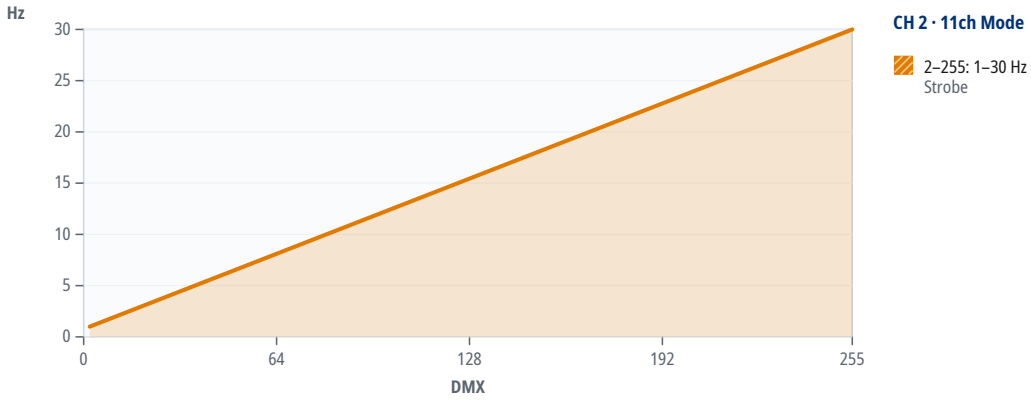
The shaded area holds the colors the LEDs can mix; the dots are the LED colors the GDTF file states.

Spectra of the light sources

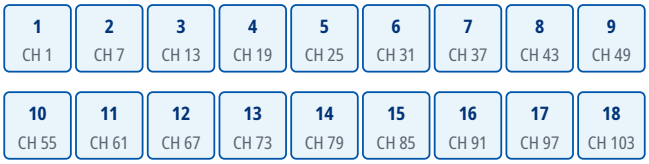


Relative spectrum of each light source as the GDTF file states it; each curve is scaled to its own maximum.

Strobe rate



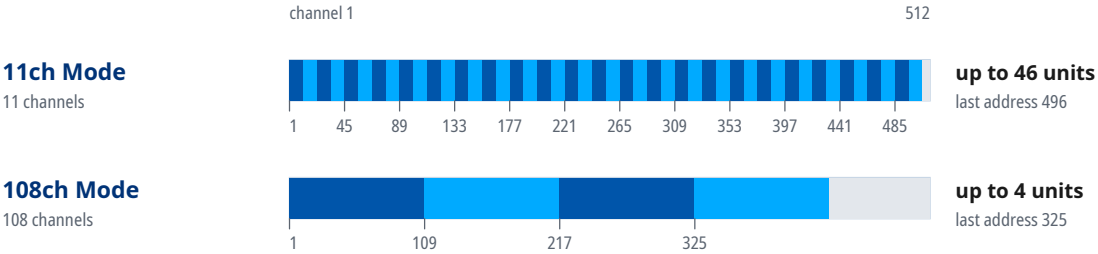
Cells (pixels)



18 cells in one row, left to right as the GDTF file places them (seen from above), wrapped after 9; numbered by their first DMX channel (CH) in the mode “11ch Mode”.

8 DMX channels

Units in one DMX universe



Start addresses of 20 units in the mode “108ch Mode”

Unit	Start address	Unit	Start address	Unit	Start address	Unit	Start address
1	1	6	U2 · 109	11	U3 · 217	16	U4 · 325
2	109	7	U2 · 217	12	U3 · 325	17	U5 · 1
3	217	8	U2 · 325	13	U4 · 1	18	U5 · 109
4	325	9	U3 · 1	14	U4 · 109	19	U5 · 217
5	U2 · 1	10	U3 · 109	15	U4 · 217	20	U5 · 325

Where a DMX universe is full, the next units continue in the next universe: “U2 · 1” is address 1 in the second universe, counted from the universe of the first unit.

Mode 11ch Mode

If the device receives DMX in this mode but gives no light, check these channels: CH 1 Dimmer above 0. The GDTF file gives these values for a console's Highlight function: CH 1 Dimmer 255, CH 6 Red 255, CH 7 Green 255, CH 8 Blue 255, CH 9 White 255.

CH	Function	DMX	Description
1	Dimmer	0	Closed
		1–254	Closed … Open
		255	Open
2	Shutter	0–1	Open: Closed
		2–49	Strobe
		50–120	Slow Strobe
		121–200	Strobe
		201–255	Fast Strobe
3	Color Effects		Color Macro - Brand

CH	Function	DMX	Description
3	Color Effects (continued)	0–25	No function
		26–35	NoFeature ... Color pix Chasing
		36–55	Color pix Chasing
		56–245	Chasing Color Macros
		246–255	Sound Active
4	Color Effects 2		When CH 3 is 1–50:
		0–255	Color Correction
			When CH 3 is 51–100:
		0–255	Color Macro Direction
5	Color Wheel Speed	0–255	Speed slow to fast
6	Red	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
7	Green	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
8	Blue	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
9	White	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
10	Amber	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
11	UV	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max

Mode 108ch Mode

The GDTF file gives these values for a console's Highlight function: CH 1 Red 255 (the same in each of the 18 cells), CH 2 Green 255 (the same in each of the 18 cells), CH 3 Blue 255 (the same in each of the 18 cells), CH 4 White 255 (the same in each of the 18 cells).

CH	Function	DMX	Description
1	Red 1	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
2	Green 1	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max
		255	Max
3	Blue 1	0	Min
		1–254	Min ... Max

CH	Function	DMX	Description
3	Blue 1 (continued)	255	Max
4	White 1	0	Min
		1–254	Min … Max
		255	Max
5	Amber 1	0	Min
		1–254	Min … Max
		255	Max
6	UV 1	0	Min
		1–254	Min … Max
		255	Max

CH 1–108: 18 cells of 6 channels each. Every cell works as cell 1 in the table above (CH 1–6); the table below gives each cell's channel numbers.

Cell	Red	Green	Blue	White	Amber	UV
1	1	2	3	4	5	6
2	7	8	9	10	11	12
3	13	14	15	16	17	18
4	19	20	21	22	23	24
5	25	26	27	28	29	30
6	31	32	33	34	35	36
7	37	38	39	40	41	42
8	43	44	45	46	47	48
9	49	50	51	52	53	54
10	55	56	57	58	59	60
11	61	62	63	64	65	66
12	67	68	69	70	71	72
13	73	74	75	76	77	78
14	79	80	81	82	83	84
15	85	86	87	88	89	90
16	91	92	93	94	95	96
17	97	98	99	100	101	102
18	103	104	105	106	107	108

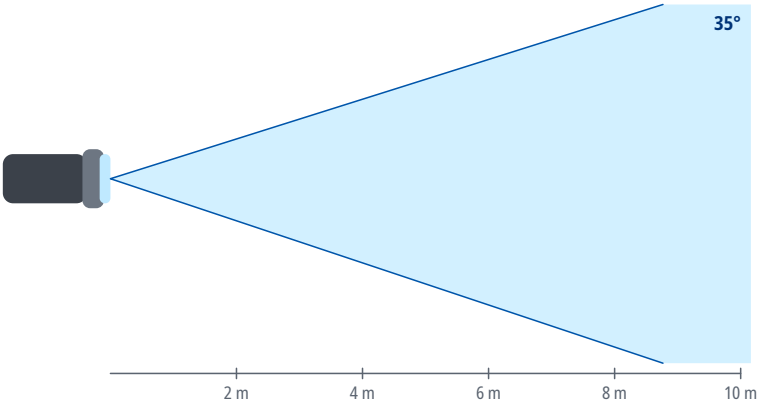
9 Technical specifications

Parameter	Value
Light source	LED
DMX connection	5-pin XLR IN/OUT
Power connectors	F_CON IN
Weight	6 kg
Operating temperature	-10 to 45 °C

Speeds and ranges

Parameter	Value
Strobe frequency	1–30 Hz

Spot diameter



Distance	Ø 35°
2 m	1.3 m
4 m	2.5 m
6 m	3.8 m
8 m	5 m
10 m	6.3 m
15 m	9.5 m

Spot diameter square to the beam axis, calculated from the beam angle.

10 Maintenance and cleaning

- Before cleaning and maintenance, switch the device off, disconnect it from the power supply and let it cool down.
- Clean the housing with a soft, dry or slightly damp cloth. Do not use solvents, abrasive cleaners or pressure washers, and make sure no liquid gets into the device.
- Clean optical parts (lenses, front glass), if the device has any, with a soft lint-free cloth and a cleaner intended for optics or glass.
- Regularly inspect the housing, cables, connectors and fixings. Have damaged parts replaced by a service center.
- How often to clean depends on the environment; dust, smoke and fog make the device dirty much faster.

11 Troubleshooting

Problem	Remedy
The device does not switch on	Check the supply voltage, the cables and the fuse, if the device has one.
The device does not respond to DMX	Check the start address, the selected DMX mode and whether it matches the profile in the controller, the cable connection to DMX IN, and the controller output (universe).
The device behaves erratically or flickers	Check the terminator at the end of the line, the condition and wiring of the cables (shield on pin 1 only), the number of devices on the line (32 at most), and that the line is not split without a splitter.
Only some devices on the line respond	Check the cable and connectors between the last working and the first non-working device, and make sure all devices on the line are switched on.
Devices respond to the wrong channels or affect each other	Check that the addresses do not overlap and that the DMX mode on the devices matches the patch in the controller.
The device or the connected load does not light up although it receives DMX	Check the values of the dimmer, shutter and strobe channels against the DMX channel table. For the DMX modes for which the sources state it, the chapter DMX channels gives under the mode's heading which channels must be open.

12 Disposal

The crossed-out wheeled bin symbol on the product, in the manual or on the packaging means that the product must not be disposed of with unsorted household waste at the end of its life.

Take the end-of-life equipment to a collection point, for example a municipal collection site or a retailer. Proper disposal enables materials to be recycled and helps prevent possible negative effects on the environment and human health.

Follow the regulations applicable in your country; in the Czech Republic, take-back is governed by Act No. 542/2020 Coll., on End-of-Life Products.

Recycle the packaging materials according to their type.