This version of the PolaRITE™ manual polarization controller is conveniently pigtailed with or without connectors. It can be spliced to other components with minimal loss, and is ideal for controlling the polarization state of light in any single mode fiber optic system. It is available in a regular (PLC-002) or miniature (PLC-M02) size for maximum flexibility.

**Features:**
- Low Loss
- Low back reflection
- Compact
- Easy to connect
- Low cost
- Insensitive to wavelength variations

**Applications:**
- High speed telecommunication systems
- WDM systems
- CATV systems
- Fiber laser
- Fiber sensor systems
- PM fiber systems
- Antenna remoting systems

**Related Products:**
- Polarization Controllers (PLC-003/006, PLC-004/005)
- Components

**Tech Info:**
- What is Polarization?
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**Notes:**
- Values are referenced without connectors
- 1. 1260 to 1650nm and 980 to 1310 nm are the standard wavelength ranges for this product. Please contact General Photonics for information on other wavelength options.

**Dimensions (in inches):**

- **PLC-002**
  - 4 HALF HOLES FOR 1/4-20 SCREW
  - 2.00
  - 4.00
  - 1.00
  - UNIT: INCH

- **PLC-M02**
  - 4 HALF HOLES FOR 1/4-20 SCREW
  - 3.00
  - 1.00
  - 1.09
  - UNIT: INCH

**Ordering Information:**

- PLC — [ ] [ ] — [ ] — [ ]

**Configuration:**
- 002 = regular size 900 µm jacket
- M02 = miniature version 900 µm jacket

**Operation Wavelength:**
- 1 = 480 nm
- 2 = 633 nm
- 3 = 780 nm
- 4 = 820 nm
- 6 = 980 - 1310 nm*
- 7 = 1260 - 1650 nm

**Connector Type:**
- FC/PC, FC/APC
- SC/PC, SC/APC
- or NC = no connectors
- Others specify

**Notes:**
- *This fiber can handle wavelengths up to 1650nm, but if it is coupled to SMF-28 fiber, the performance may not be quite as good as normal due to mode mismatch.
ACTIVE POLARIZATION MODULES

Drop-in Polarization Controller - PolaRITE™ (PLC-003/006)

This is the in-line version of the PolaRITE™ polarization controller. It can be inserted into a fiber optic system to control the polarization state of light without having to disconnect any part of the system. It can be used by simply inserting a length of fiber into the slot located on top of the device. The miniature version can be inserted in even tighter spaces in a fiber optic module.

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Features:

- Low Loss
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- Compact
- Easy to connect
- Low cost
- Insensitive to wavelength variations
- Works with fibers of any size

Applications:

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- WDM systems
- CATV systems
- Fiber laser
- Fiber sensor systems
- PM fiber systems
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Related Products:

- Polarization Controllers (PLC-002/M02, PLC-004/005)
- Components

Tech Info:

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Dimensions (in inches):

Ordering Information:

PLC — 00

Configuration:

3 = Lab. version
6 = Miniature version

 Clamp Type:

S = Fiber clamp with screws
M = Fiber clamp with magnets

Fiber Size:

25 = 250 µm jacket
90 = 900 µm jacket

Notes:

PLC-006 has no 900 µm jacket option
Magnet clamp available only for PLC-003 for 250µm fiber
900µm fiber version should be used with tight-buffered fiber.
ACTIVE POLARIZATION MODULES

Fully Connectorized Polarization Controller - PolaRITE™ (PLC-004/005)

This is a fully connectorized polarization controller that comes with either male (PLC-005) or female (PLC-004) connectors, thus eliminating the headaches of fiber pigtails. Customers can use the bulkhead connectors of their choice. Although the unit comes with FC type connectors, it can interface with ST and SC type connectors with industry standard FC/ST or FC/SC adapters. The device is especially suitable for interconnecting polarization maintaining (PM) fibers using standard connectors without having to align the birefringent axes of the PM fibers. Optional scales allow easy replication of earlier settings, a feature highly desirable in laboratories for repeating polarization adjustments.

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- Components

Tech Info:
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Ordering Information:

PLC — 00          
Configuration: 4 = Female connectors
5 = Male connectors

Operation Wavelength: 1 = 480 nm
2 = 633 nm
3 = 780 nm
4 = 820 nm
6 = 980 - 1310 nm*
7 = 1260 - 1650 nm

Connector Type: FC/PC, FC/APC

Dimensions (in inches):

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