

FL4000H MSIR Flame Detector

Performance Report



Introduction

The General Monitors FL4000H Multi-Spectral Infrared (MSIR) Flame Detector with neural network technology sets a new industry standard for performance, reliability and value. This is the industry's first MSIR/NNT flame detector designed to operate at a longer range with a wider field of view and at a higher level of accuracy for superior false alarm immunity.

This report presents flame response, horizontal and vertical field of view data for various fuel types, fire sizes and detector sensitivities demonstrating the FL4000H MSIR Flame Detector's exceptional performance. Flame response data in the presence of false alarm sources is also presented exhibiting this detector's superior false alarm immunity.

1.1 Flame Response¹

1.1.1 High Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Average Response Times |
|----|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 230 (70) | 7 |
| 2 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 160 (49) | 9 |
| 3 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 80 (24) | 7 |
| 4 | Methane | 32 in. plume | 125 (38) | 8 |
| 5 | Butane | 1 ft. plume | 112 (34) | 13.1 |
| 6 | Propane | 1 ft. plume | 125 (38) | 14.9 |
| 7 | Propane | 32 in. plume | 125(38) | 8 |
| 8 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | 4.5 |
| 9 | Ethane | 32 in. plume | 125(38) | 8 |
| 10 | Ethanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 170 (52) | 8 |
| 11 | Wood | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 130 (40) | 9.5 |
| 12 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 160 (49) | 6.9 |
| 13 | JP5 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 160 (49) | 7.5 |
| 14 | JP8 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 160 (49) | 9.2 |
| 15 | Gasoline | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 170 (52) | 5 |
| 16 | Jet Fuel A | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 170 (52) | 15 |
| 17 | Marina Fuel | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 200 (61) | 3 |
| 18 | Kerosene | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 170 (52) | 4 |
| 19 | Ethylene glycol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 130 (40) | 10 |
| 20 | Triethylene glycol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 120 (36) | 5 |

1.1.2 Medium Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Average Response Times |
|----|-------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 180 (55) | 8 |
| 2 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 100 (30) | 7 |
| 3 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 50 (15) | 6 |
| 4 | Butane | 1 ft. plume | 82 (25) | 11.3 |
| 5 | Propane | 1 ft. plume | 82 (25) | 3.2 |
| 6 | Ethanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150 (46) | 8 |
| 7 | Wood | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 120 (37) | 7.2 |
| 8 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150 (46) | 8.2 |
| 9 | JP5 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150 (46) | 7.6 |
| 10 | JP8 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150 (46) | 6.0 |
| 11 | Gasoline | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150(46) | 6 |
| 12 | Jet Fuel A | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150 (46) | 13 |
| 13 | Marina Fuel | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 180 (55) | 3 |
| 14 | Kerosene | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 150 (46) | 5 |
| 15 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 65 (20) | 7 |

1.1.3 Low Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Average Response Times |
|----|-------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90 (27) | 4 |
| 2 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | 6 |
| 3 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 30 (9) | 4 |
| 4 | Butane | 1 ft. plume | 49 (15) | 3.1 |
| 5 | Propane | 1 ft. plume | 49 (15) | 3.1 |
| 6 | Ethanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 130 | 9 |
| 7 | Wood | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 70 (21) | 12.4 |
| 8 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90 (27) | 4.1 |
| 9 | JP5 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90 (27) | 3.6 |
| 10 | JP8 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90 (27) | 6.3 |
| 11 | Gasoline | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 120(37) | 17 |
| 12 | Jet Fuel A | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90(27) | 16 |
| 13 | Marina Fuel | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 110(34) | 9 |
| 14 | Kerosene | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90 (27) | 7 |
| 15 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 55 (18) | 3 |

¹ Source: Design Validation Test (DVT) Report (July 24, 2006)

1.2 Horizontal Field of View²

1.2.1 High Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Angle,° | Average Response Times |
|----|-------------|------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 230 (70) | +30/-30 | 13/13 |
| 2 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 105 (32) | +45/-45 | 8/13 |
| 3 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +45/-45 | 4/7 |
| 4 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 70 (21) | +45/-45 | 15/11 |
| 5 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 40 (12) | +45/-45 | 6/13 |
| 6 | Butane | 1 ft. plume | 35 (11) | +45/-45 | 6/5 |
| 7 | Propane | 1 ft. plume | 70 (21) | +45/-45 | 7/10 |
| 8 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +45/-45 | 9/9 |
| 9 | Ethanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 75 (23) | +45/-45 | 4/8 |
| 10 | Wood | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 65(19.8) | +45/-45 | 10/17 |
| 11 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +45/-45 | 10/14 |
| 12 | JP5 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +45/-45 | 8/12 |
| 13 | JP8 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +45/-45 | 12/18 |
| 14 | Gasoline | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +45/-45 | 2/3 |
| 15 | Jet Fuel A | 1 x 1 ft.2 | 90 (27) | +45/-45 | 19/15 |
| 16 | Marina Fuel | 1 x 1 ft.2 | 110 (34) | +45/-45 | 2/2 |
| 17 | Kerosene | 1 x 1 ft.2 | 80(24) | +45/-45 | 7/9 |

1.2.3 Low Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Angle,° | Average Response Times |
|----|-------------|------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | +35/-35 | 4/3 |
| 2 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 40 (12) | +45/-45 | 5/6 |
| 3 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 20 (6) | +45/-45 | 3/6 |
| 4 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +45/-45 | NA/10 |
| 5 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 30 (9) | +45/-45 | 7/4 |
| 6 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 15 (5) | +45/-45 | NA/3 |
| 7 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 12 (4) | +45/-45 | 3/NA |
| 8 | Wood | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 35 (11) | +45/-45 | 14/14 |
| 9 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +45/-45 | 10/9 |
| 10 | JP5 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +45/-45 | 11/10 |
| 11 | JP8 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +45/-45 | 11/13 |
| 12 | Gasoline | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +45/-45 | 4/2 |
| 13 | Jet Fuel A | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 40 (12) | +45/-45 | 13/13 |
| 14 | Marina Fuel | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +45/-45 | 2/2 |
| 15 | Kerosene | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 40 (12) | +45/-45 | 8/10 |

2 Data for heptane: FM file update test results (July 31 – August 3, 2006); data for methanol, JP4, and methane: Design Validation Test (DVT) Report (July 24, 2006)

1.2.2 Medium Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Angle,° | Average Response Times |
|----|-------------|------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 120 (37) | +30/-30 | 5/4 |
| 2 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +45/-45 | 6/8 |
| 3 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 70 (21) | +45/-45 | 4/4 |
| 4 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +50/-50 | 15/6 |
| 5 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +45/-45 | 5/6 |
| 6 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 70 (21) | +45/-45 | NA/5 |
| 7 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | +45/-45 | 15/6 |
| 8 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +45/-45 | 4/NA |
| 9 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 25 (8) | +45/-45 | 22/3 |
| 10 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 20 (6) | +45/-45 | 22/NA |
| 11 | Wood | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 35 (11) | +45/-45 | 12/12 |
| 12 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 75 (23) | +45/-45 | 11/8 |
| 13 | JP5 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 75 (23) | +45/-45 | 9/10 |
| 14 | JP8 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 75 (23) | +45/-45 | 14/19 |
| 15 | Gasoline | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 70 (21) | +45/-45 | 2/2 |
| 16 | Jet Fuel A | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 70 (21) | +45/-45 | 10/13 |
| 17 | Marina Fuel | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +45/-45 | 2/2 |
| 18 | Kerosene | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | +45/-45 | 7/8 |

Horizontal Field of View Charts

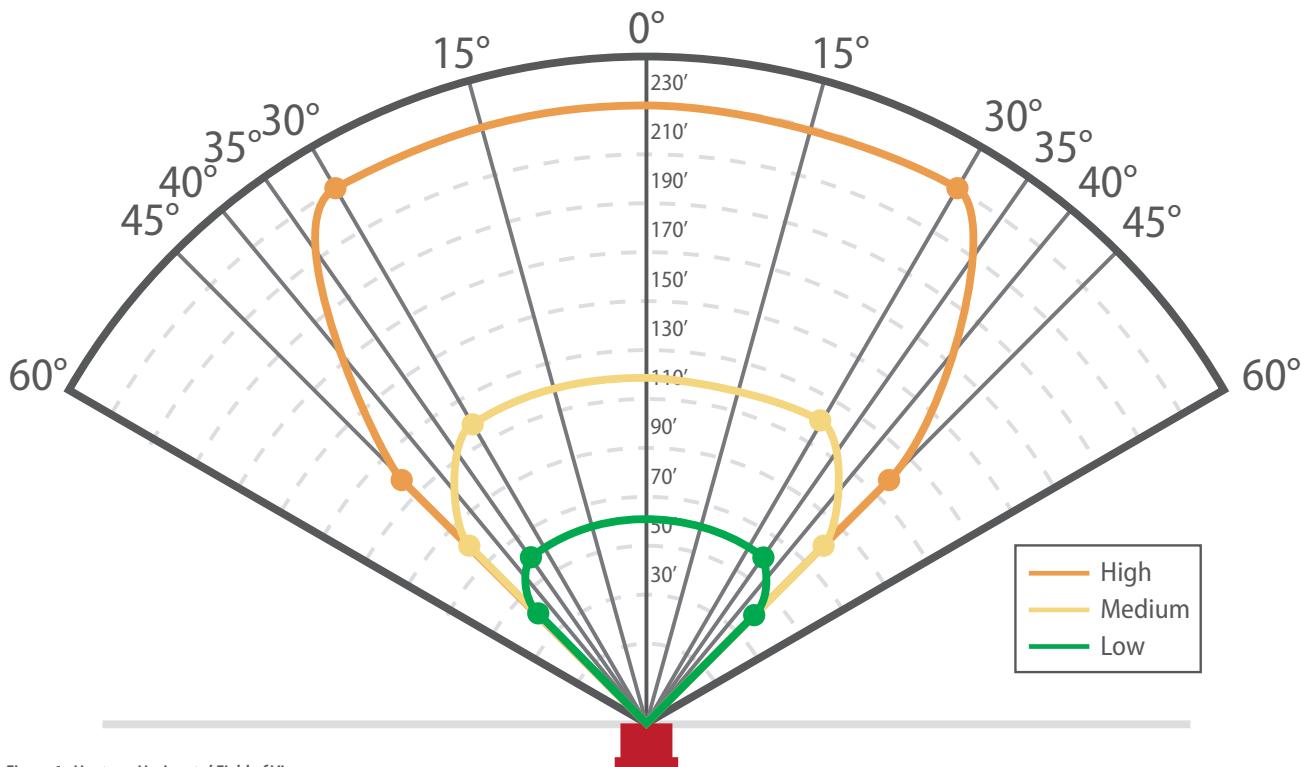


Figure 1: Heptane Horizontal Field of View

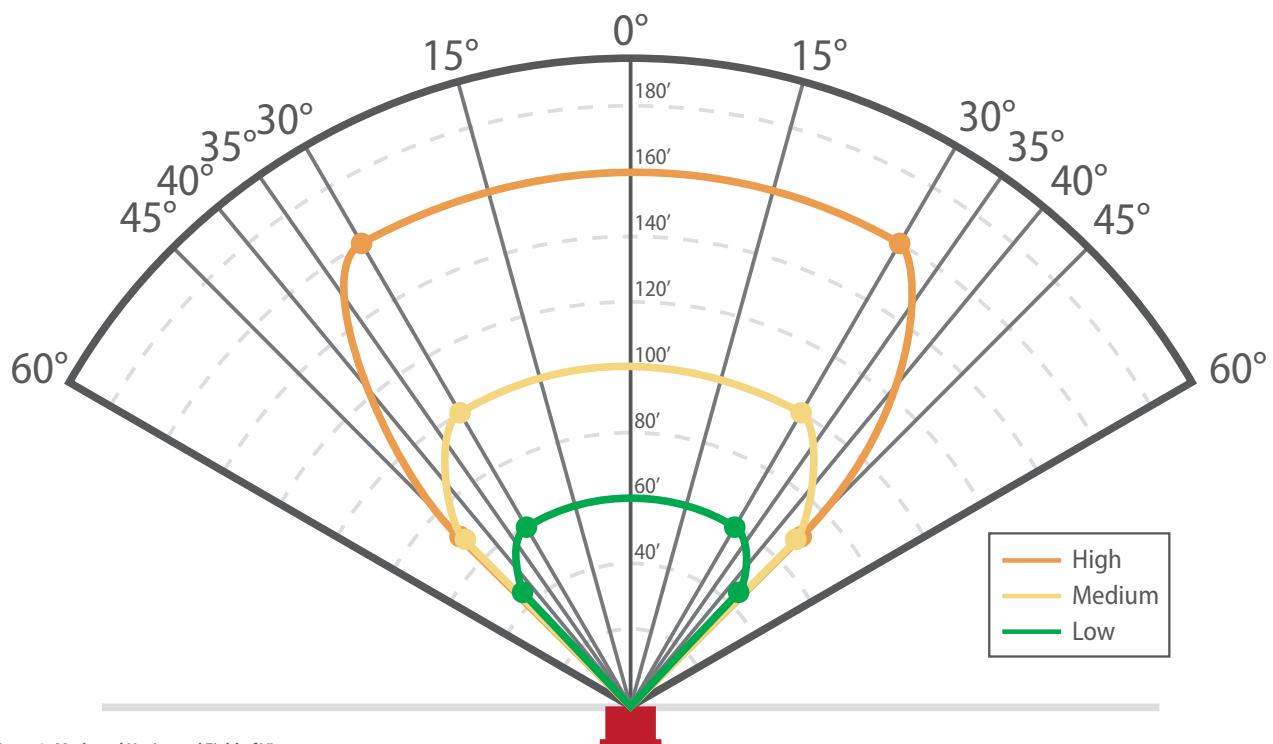


Figure 2: Methanol Horizontal Field of View

Horizontal Field of View Charts

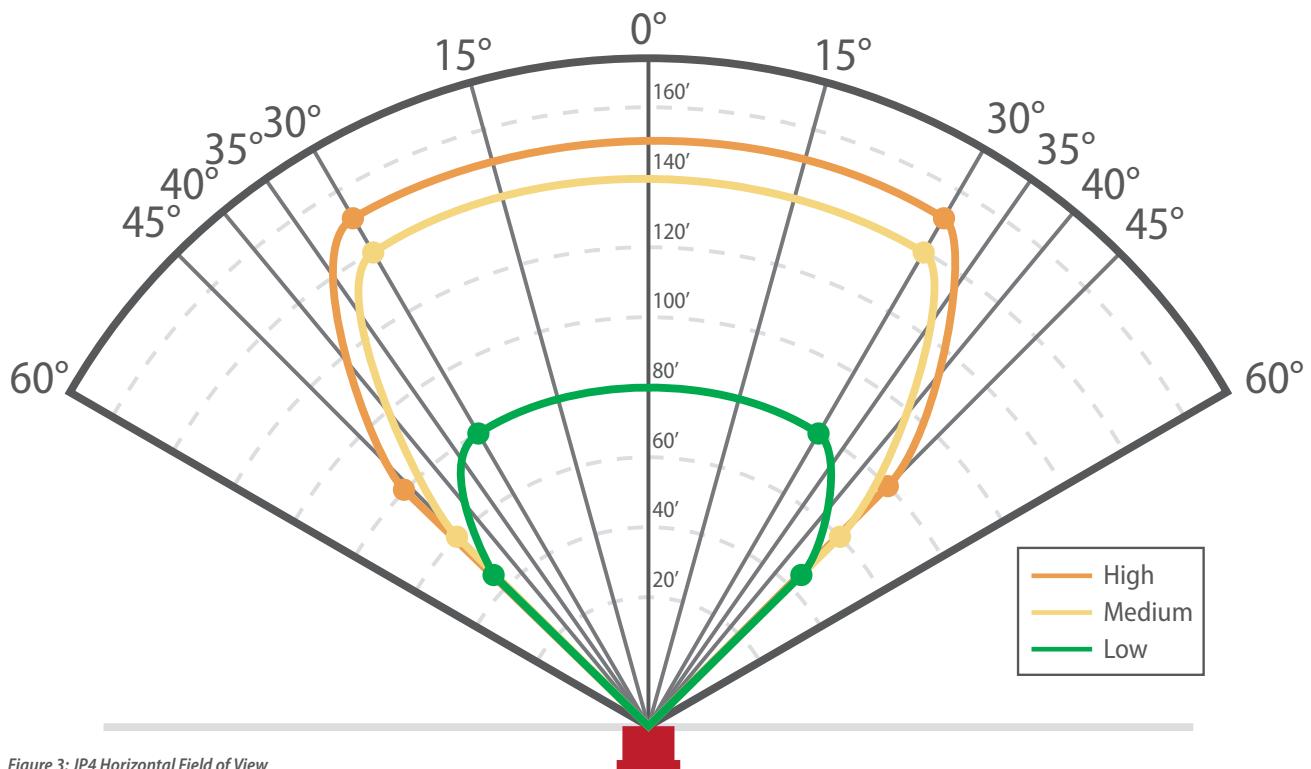


Figure 3: JP4 Horizontal Field of View

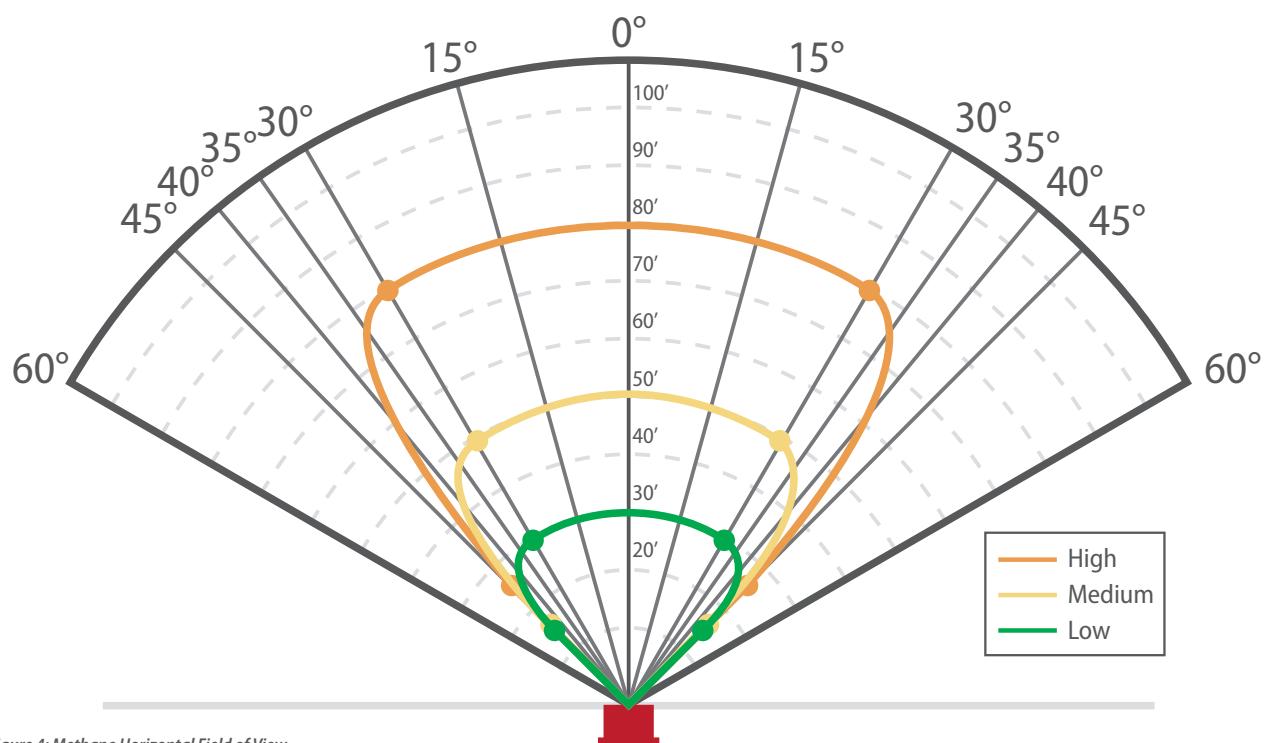


Figure 4: Methane Horizontal Field of View

Horizontal Field of View Charts

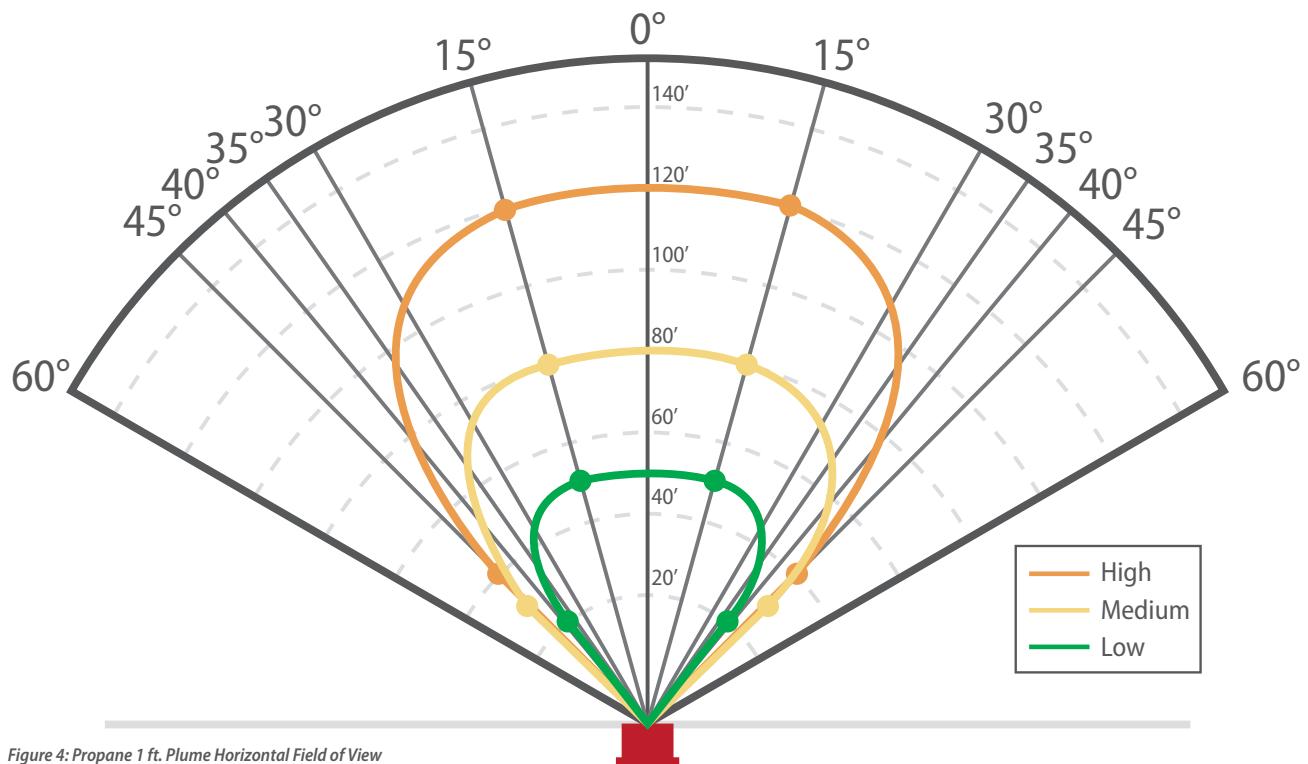


Figure 4: Propane 1 ft. Plume Horizontal Field of View

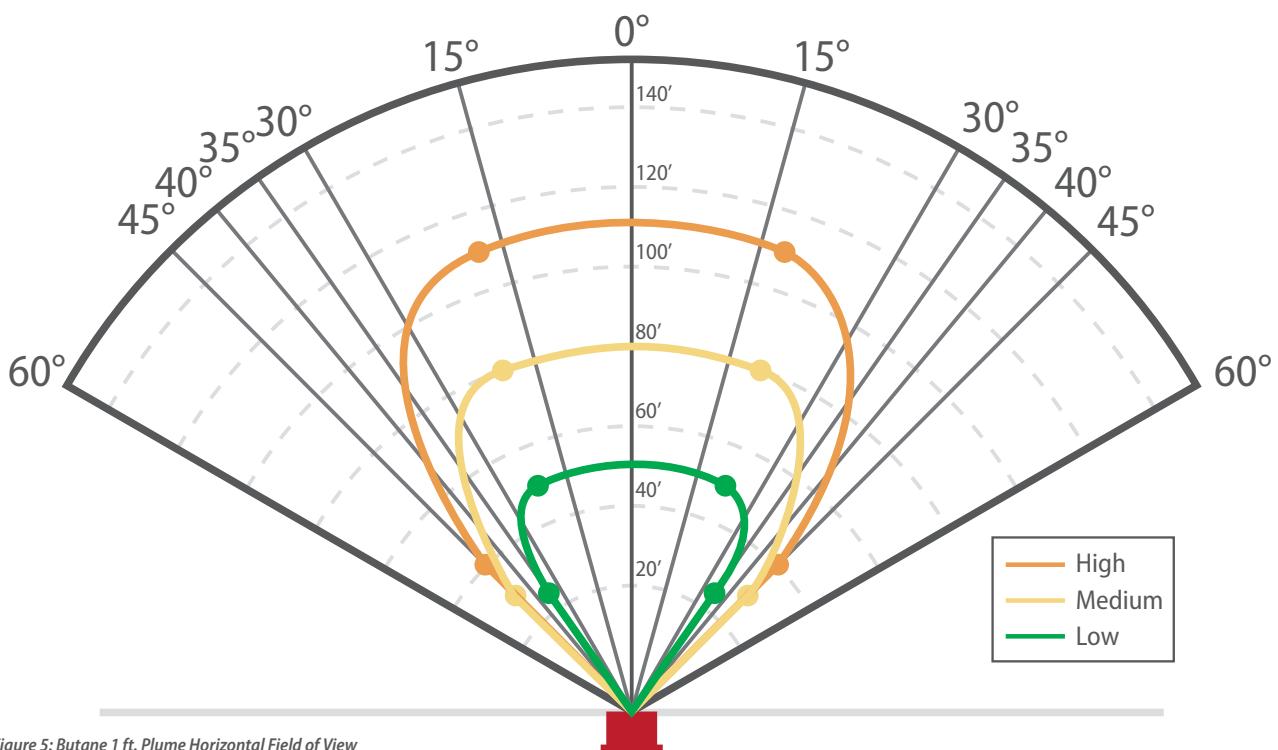


Figure 5: Butane 1 ft. Plume Horizontal Field of View

1.3 Vertical Field of View³

1.3.1 High Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Angle,° | Average Response Times |
|----|-----------|------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 230 (70) | +25/-30 | 8/11 |
| 2 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 200 (61) | +30/-35 | 9/12 |
| 3 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 120 (37) | -45 | 13 |
| 4 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +35 | 4 |
| 5 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 30 (9) | +50 | 6 |
| 6 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 110 (34) | +30/-45 | 7/20 |
| 7 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 100 (30) | +35/-45 | 5/14 |
| 8 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 60 (18) | +35 | 6 |
| 9 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 45 (14) | -45 | 12 |
| 10 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +40/-45 | 3/3 |

1.2.2 Medium Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Angle,° | Average Response Times |
|----|-----------|------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 100 (30) | +25/-45 | 4/10 |
| 2 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 120 (37) | +35/-35 | 4/9 |
| 3 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 100 (31) | +35 | 4 |
| 4 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 90 (27) | -45 | 14 |
| 5 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +35/-50 | 4/11 |
| 6 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | +25/-45 | 4/8 |
| 7 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 80 (24) | +35/-45 | 5/19 |
| 8 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 50 (15) | +35 | 4 |
| 9 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 45 (14) | -45 | 16 |
| 10 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 40 (12) | +40 | 4 |
| 11 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 35 (11) | -45 | 3 |

1.2.3 Low Sensitivity

| No | Fuel | Size | Distance ft. (m) | Angle,° | Average Response Times |
|----|-----------|------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | +25/-45 | 3/5 |
| 2 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | +30/-30 | 4/4 |
| 3 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +40/-40 | 4/4 |
| 4 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 40 (12) | +35/-45 | 3/6 |
| 5 | Heptane | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 25 (8) | +35/-50 | 3/7 |
| 6 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 50 (15) | +25 | 6 |
| 7 | Methanol | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 40 (12) | -45 | 14 |
| 8 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 60 (18) | +35 | 5 |
| 9 | JP4 | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 45 (14) | -45 | 12 |
| 10 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 25 (8) | +35 | 11 |
| 11 | Methane | 1 ft. plume | 20 (6) | -45 | 8 |
| 12 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 35 (11) | +40 | 3 |
| 13 | Crude Oil | 1 x 1 ft. ² | 30 (9) | -45 | 8.5 |

³ Data for heptane: FM file update test results (July 31 – August 3, 2006); data for methanol, JP4, and methane: Design Validation Test (DVT) Report (July 24, 2006)

1.4 False Alarm Immunity⁴

1.4.1 High Sensitivity

| No | False Alarm Source | Minimum Immunity Distance, ft. (m) | |
|----|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | Modulated Response | Unmodulated Response ^f (m) |
| 1 | Arc welding (#7014, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC) | 15 (5) | 12 (4) |
| 2 | Arc welding (#7014, 1/8", 90 A, AC) | 15 (5) | 15 (5) |
| 3 | Arc welding (#7018, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC) | 15 (5) | 13 (4) |
| 4 | Arc welding (#7018, 1/8", 9 A, AC) | 12 (4) | 10 (3) |
| 5 | Arc welding (#6012, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC) | 5 (1.5) | 11 (3) |
| 6 | Arc welding (#6012, 1/8", 90 A, AC) | 5 (1.5) | 9 (2.7) |
| 7 | Arc welding (#6011, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC) | 7 (2.1) | 20 (6) |
| 8 | Arc welding (#6011, 1/8", 90 A, AC) | 9 (2.7) | 14 (4) |
| 9 | Flashlight | IAD ^s | IAD |
| 10 | Fluorescent lamp (25 W) | IAD | IAD |
| 11 | Halogen lamp (500 W) | 2 (0.6) | IAD |
| 12 | Heater, radiant (1,500 W) | 6 (1.8) | 1 (0.3) |
| 13 | Hose down facing sun | IAD | IAD |
| 14 | Hot plate (200°C) | 3 (0.9) | 1 (0.3) |
| 15 | Human hand wave | IAD | IAD |
| 16 | Incandescent lamp (100 W) | 1 (0.3) | 1 (0.3) |
| 17 | Laser pointer | IAD | 10 (3) |
| 18 | Sunlight, direct | IAD | IAD |
| 19 | Sunlight, reflected | IAD | IAD |
| 20 | TL103 lamp | 2.5 (0.8) | NA |
| 21 | UV backlight | IAD | IAD |

⁴ Source: Design Validation Test (DVT) Report (July 24, 2006)

⁵ IAD: Immune at all distances

⁶ Source: Design Validation Test (DVT) Report (July 24, 2006)

1.5 Flame Response in the Presence of False Alarm Sources⁶

1.5.1 High Sensitivity

| No | False Alarm Source | Distance ft. (m) | Fire Source | Fire Distance ft. (m) | Average Response Times |
|----|---|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Arc welding (#7014, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC), modulated | 18 (6) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 3 – 6 |
| 2 | Arc welding (#7014, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC), unmodulated | 18 (6) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 3 – 6 |
| 3 | Arc welding (#7014, 3/16", 180 – 200 A, DC), modulated | 15 (5) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 80 (24) | 7 |
| 4 | Arc welding (#7014, 3/16", 90 A, AC), unmodulated | 12 (4) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 80 (24) | 4 |
| 5 | Arc welding (#6012, 1/8", 90 A, AC), modulated | 18 (6) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 3 – 6 |
| 6 | Arc welding (#6012, 1/8", 180 – 200 A, DC), unmodulated | 18 (6) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 3 – 6 |
| 7 | Fluorescent lamp, modulated | 2.5 (0.8) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 70 (21) | 10 |
| 8 | Fluorescent lamp, unmodulated | 2.5 (0.8) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 80 (24) | 11 |
| 9 | Halogen lamp (100 W), modulated | 4 (1.2) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | NA |
| 10 | Halogen lamp (100 W), unmodulated | 2 (0.6) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 13 |
| 11 | Heater, IR (1,500 W), modulated | 12 (4) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 5 |
| 12 | Heater, IR (1,500 W), unmodulated | 1 (0.3) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 6 |
| 13 | Incandescent light (100 W), modulated | 2.5 (0.8) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 10 |
| 14 | Incandescent light (100 W), unmodulated | 2.5 (0.8) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 18 |
| 15 | Sunlight, reflected, modulated | 30 (9) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 30 (9) | 10 |
| 16 | Sunlight, reflected, unmodulated | 6 (1.8) | 1 x 1 ft. ² heptane | 35 (11) | 7 |

Vertical Field of View Charts

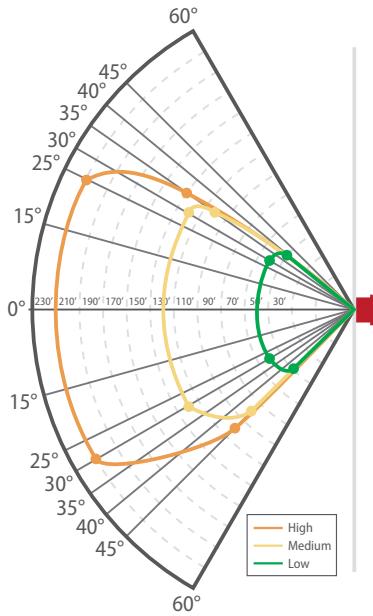


Figure 6: Heptane Vertical Field of View

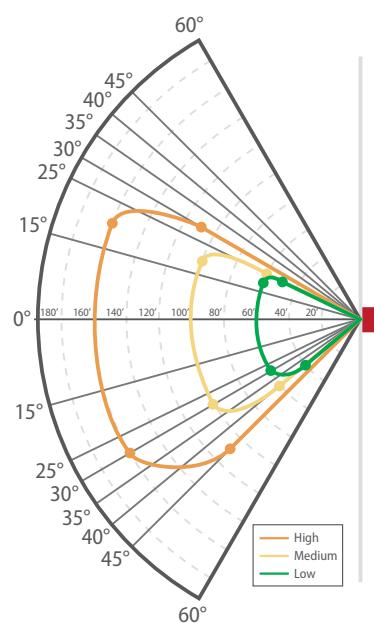


Figure 7: Methanol Vertical Field of View

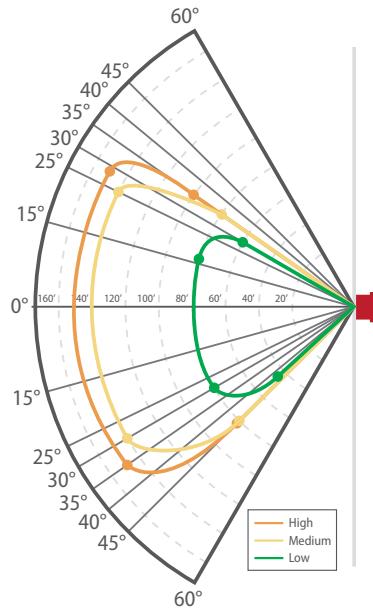


Figure 8: JP4 Vertical Field of View

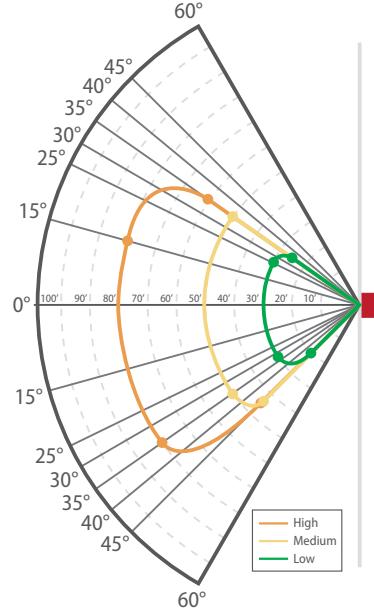


Figure 9: Methane Vertical Field of View

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