



Nova-Strobe dbx

## Common Applications:

- Non-contact RPM
- Diagnostic Inspection
- Bent blades/shafts
- Slipping/worn belts
- Printing Press
- Stop-action Inspection
- Textiles

**Nova-Strobe x** - The standard for high intensity multi-function portable stroboscopes. Models are available with digital displays, battery or AC power, and a useful range of features which provide unmatched performance and value. Four models range from the Nova-Strobe **dbx** Deluxe the most versatile battery powered digital stroboscope with internal phase shifting, down to the Nova-Strobe **bax** Basic, the most cost effective AC powered digital stroboscope.

Both the battery powered Nova-Strobe **dbx** and AC powered Nova-Strobe **dax** provide a range of 30 to 20,000 flashes per minute and an accuracy of  $\pm 0.002$  of setting. Flash rates are easily adjusted to fractional RPM by a coarse/fine control knob. Individual TTL compatible input and output jacks are provided for 'daisy chaining' of multiple strobes, triggering from an external source, or providing a trigger signal to external equipment.

Both dbx and dax provide internal phase shifting to keep the target precisely in view. Both provide x2 and  $\div 2$  capability for distinguishing actual RPM from harmonic frequencies. In addition, 9 user presettable memory flash rates for repetitive measurements and storage of the last flash rate measured are included.

**Features** All Nova-Strobes, Deluxe and Basic:

- Internal rechargeable batteries or AC powered models
- Weighs less than 2.0 Lbs. for easy handling
- More than 20% brighter Xenon light than competitors
- Electronic switching provides continuous cool operation
- Tripod mounting bushing in handle

In addition, Nova-Strobe **dbx** and **dax** Plus models have:

- N.I.S.T. Traceable Certificate of Calibration included
- Internal phase shifting for easy reference target viewing
- Tachometer mode, speed measurement up to 250,000 RPM
- Power for optional sensors
- Low battery indicator

Nova-Strobe dbx  
Deluxe

Select optional sensors for  
tachometer mode (see page 9)

TTL compatible input/output  
1/8" (3.5mm) phone plugs

Nova-Strobe bbx/bax Basic  
Digital LCD Display



Nova-Strobe dbx Kit

## Ordering Information

Nova-Strobe bax 115 Stroboscope, AC powered  
 Nova-Strobe bax 230 Stroboscope, AC powered  
 Nova-Strobe dax 115 Stroboscope, AC powered  
 Nova-Strobe dax 230 Stroboscope, AC powered  
 Nova-Strobe bbx 115/230 Stroboscope, battery  
 Powered, universal PSC-2U (115/230 VAC)  
 recharger (USA, UK, AUS, EURO plug)  
 Nova-Strobe dbx 115/230 Stroboscope, battery  
 powered, universal PSC-2U (115/230 VAC) recharger  
 (USA, UK, AUS, EURO plugs)  
 Also available in Kit form including: Stroboscope  
 Recharger, spare lamp and carrying case.

Specifications	Nova-Strobe dbx, Deluxe Battery Powered	Nova-Strobe dax, Deluxe AC Powered	Nova-Strobe bbx, Basic Battery Powered	Nova-Strobe bax, Basic AC Powered
<b>Range Flashes/Minute</b>	30-20,000 FPM (Flashes Per Minute)		30-10,000 FPM (Flashes Per Minute)	
<b>Display</b>	6 Digit Numeric and 5 digit Alphanumeric LCD			
<b>Accuracy/Resolution</b>	0.002% of setting or +/- 1 lsd /0.01 FPM			
<b>Flash Energy/Duration</b>	230 mJoule up to 3450 FPM / 8-20 $\mu$ sec			
<b>Average Power-Watts</b>	>13W above 3450 FPM			
<b>Flash Tube &amp; Life</b>	High Power Xenon - 100 million flashes typical			
<b>External Triggers - in/out</b> 1/8" (3.5mm) Phone Jacks	TTL (24Vdc Max) Input. Provides 3.3 Vdc TTL output		N/A	
<b>Tachometer Mode</b>	5-250,000 RPM - Use with Optional Remote Sensor		N/A	
<b>Programmable Memory</b>	Yes	Yes	N/A	
<b>Internal Phase Shift</b>	Yes	Yes	N/A	
<b>Operating Time</b>	2 hours typical @ 1800 FPM	Continuous	2 hours typical @ 1800 FPM	Continuous
<b>Power Supply</b>	Internal NiMH rechargeable batteries	115 Vac, 50-400 Hz or 230 Vac, 50-400 Hz	Internal NiMH rechargeable batteries	115 Vac, 50-400 Hz or 230 Vac, 50-400 Hz
<b>Weight</b>	1.9 Lbs. (.86 kg)	1.5 Lbs. (.68 kg)	1.9 Lbs. (.86 kg)	1.5 Lbs. (.68 kg)
<b>Size (L x W x H)</b>	Body: 9" x 3.66" x 3.56" (229 x 93 x 90 mm); Reflector Housing: 4.8" (122 mm) diameter; Handle: 4.25" (108 mm) long			

## Phaser-Strobe pbx

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The **Phaser-Strobe pbx** incorporate the unique design features of the Nova-Strobe dbx with an increased operating range of 30 to 50,000 flashes per minute, as well as external phase-shifting. The unique digital adjustment knob can select the decade for adjustments, so coarse and fine adjustments of flash rates are made quickly and with significantly better resolution than competitive units. The memory feature of the **Phaser-Strobe pbx** allows nine flash rates to be stored - displayed in flashes per minute or flashes per second. **Phaser-Strobe pbx** operates with internal rechargeable batteries or continuously from AC line power with the power supply/recharger.

**Features:**

- N.I.S.T. Traceable Certificate of Calibration included
- Phase Shift adjustable as phase angle or time with resolution to 0.01° and 0.01 msec
- Virtual RPM mode provides slow motion viewing for high speed events
- Backlit alphanumeric LCD shows flash rate, degrees, time
- Store and recall nine memory settings
- TTL compatible input/output jacks, power for optional sensors
- Tachometer mode from Remote Sensors (see page 9)

Specifications	Phaser-Strobe pbx
<b>Flash Range</b>	30-50,000 FPM (Flashes/Minute) 0.5-830 FPS (Flashes/Sec) (Hz)
<b>Accuracy</b>	±0.002% of Setting +/- least significant digit
<b>Digital Adjustment Knob</b>	36 detents per revolution and blinking decade selection
<b>Flash Rate Resolution (Internal Triggering)</b>	0.01 to 1.0 FPM (Menu Selectable)
<b>Operating Time</b>	2 hours typical @ 1800 FPM or continuous AC power
<b>Phase Delay - Degrees</b>	0.1 to 359.9 degrees
<b>Time Delay - Seconds</b>	0.01 to 1000 msec.
<b>Virtual RPM (Slow Motion)</b>	0-200 VRPM
<b>Flash Energy (Typical)</b>	230mJoule up to 3450 FPM
<b>Flash Duration (Typical)</b>	8-20 usec
<b>Average Power - Watts</b>	11W @ 3000 FPM; >13W @ 3450 FPM
<b>Tachometer Mode</b>	5-250,000 RPM from external trigger
<b>External Input</b>	Input Pulse - 0.5 usec min, TTL to 24V max (1/8" phone plug)
<b>Trigger Output/Remote Sync</b>	3.3V TTL Compatible 40 usec pulse-Positive/Negative
<b>Power</b>	Internal rechargeable batteries with AC power supply/recharger
<b>Weight</b>	1.9 Lbs. (0.85 kg) including batteries



Phaser-Strobe pbx



- Common Applications:**
- Calibration of Tachometers
  - Diagnostic Inspection
  - Engine R&D
  - Textiles
  - Centrifuges
  - Shaker Tables



Compatible with Remote Sensors (see page 9).

**Ordering Information**  
 Phaser-Strobe pbx 115/230 - Stroboscope with PSC-pbxU (115/230 Vac) Power Supply/Recharger  
 Phaser-Strobe pbx Kit 115/230 - Same as above with Spare Lamp and Latching Carrying Case

# PORTABLE STROBOSCOPES (for use with Vibration Data Collectors)

## Vibration-Strobe vbx

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The **vbx vibration strobe** is uniquely designed to provide precise, instantaneous synchronization to a number of data collectors and FFT Analyzers triggered by an accelerometer. Built for portable applications, the **vbx** is the perfect lightweight phase analysis tool. **vbx** allows for the measurement of phase without stopping the machinery to install reflective tape. Phase analysis is quick and accurate using the Filter Bandwidth Selector and the Relative Phase Adjustment. Unique "Tracking Filter" maintains phase lock to input pulse. **vbx** can power and be triggered by accelerometers with or without data collectors.

**Kit includes:** Strobe, interface cable, universal p.s./recharger, spare lamp in carry case.

Specifications	Vibration-Strobe vbx
<b>Flash Range</b>	30-50,000 FPM (Flashes/Minute) 0.5-830 FPS (Flashes/Sec) (Hz)
<b>Accuracy</b>	±0.002% of Setting +/- least significant digit
<b>Digital Adjustment Knob</b>	36 detents per revolution and blinking decade selection
<b>Flash Rate Resolution (Internal Triggering)</b>	0.01 to 1.0 FPM (Menu Selectable)
<b>Indicators</b>	Battery Level, On Target, Time, Auto, Alt, Tach, Lock, and EXT icons
<b>Operating Time</b>	2 hours typical @ 1800 FPM or continuous AC power
<b>Phase Delay - Degrees</b>	0.1 to 359.9 degrees
<b>Tracking Filter</b>	Selectable Wide and Narrow Bandwidths. Filter may not lock below 100 rpm
<b>Time Delay - Seconds</b>	0.01 to 1000 msec.
<b>Virtual RPM (Slow Motion)</b>	0-200 VRPM
<b>Flash Energy (Typical)</b>	230mJoule up to 3450 FPM
<b>Flash Duration (Typical)</b>	8-20 usec
<b>Average Power - Watts</b>	11W @ 3000 FPM; >13W @ 3450 FPM
<b>Tachometer Mode</b>	5-250,000 RPM from external trigger
<b>External Input</b>	Input Pulse - 0.5 usec min, TTL to 24V max (1/8" phone plug)
<b>Trigger Output/Remote Sync</b>	3.3V TTL Compatible 40 usec pulse-Positive/Negative
<b>Power</b>	Internal rechargeable batteries with AC power supply/recharger
<b>Weight</b>	1.9 Lbs. (0.85 kg) including batteries



Vibration Strobe vbx



**Ordering Information**  
 Contact Factory for available Models.