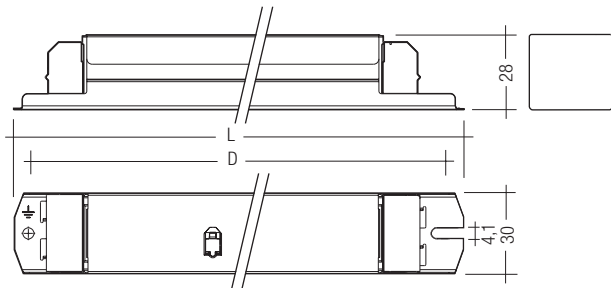**Electronic ballasts for dimming to 1 %**
Linear lamps

PCA EXCEL one4all 18–58 W 220–240 V 50/60/0 Hz, dimmable

- dimming range from 1–100 %
- lamp start at 1 % possible
- lamp friendly warm start within 0.6 s with AC and DC
- switch via the mains or with digital control signal
- dimming which is comfortable to the eye
- disturbance free precise control with a digital signal (**DSI**), switch**DIM** or **DALI** (digital addressable lighting interface)
- error feed back and programmable features in both DALI and DSI mode
- integrated SMART interface

- fully electronic lamp management and digital communication with ASIC and µC
- constant light output independent of fluctuating supply voltage
- DC operation in emergency lighting installations to VDE 0108
- safe shutdown of defective lamps
- safe shutdown of lamps at end of life (rectifying effect)
- automatic restart after lamp replacement
- operating frequency ~40–100 kHz
- **NEW:** with DALI-MEMORY and corridor**FUNCTION**

Packaging:
box of 10
58 boxes/pallet
580 pieces/pallet

Certified:
EN 55015
EN 55022
EN 60929
EN 61000-3-2
EN 61347-2-3
EN 61547
in accordance
with VDE 0108

Lamp		Ballast										
watt-age W	length	type number	article L mm	length centres D mm	fixing	weight power kg	circuit power W ②	lamp at 230V/50Hz W ②	current at 230V/50Hz A ②	λ	tc point range ① °C	temperature °C
18	590	**PCA 1/18 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22085245	360	350	0.32	20.8	16	0.1	0.93	65	-25 → +60
2x18	590	**PCA 2/18 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22085251	360	350	0.36	39.6	2x16	0.18	0.96	75	-25 → +60
30	900	**PCA 1/30 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22086092	360	350	0.32	30.1	25	0.135	0.96	80	-25 → +60
2x30	900	**PCA 2/30 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22086107	360	350	0.36	58	2x25	0.26	0.98	75	-25 → +60
36	1200	**PCA 1/36 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22085264	360	350	0.32	36.5	32	0.165	0.97	70	-25 → +60
2x36	1200	**PCA 2/36 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22085270	360	350	0.36	70.4	2x32	0.305	0.98	80	-25 → +60
38	1200	**PCA 1/38 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22087027	360	350	0.32	37.3	32	0.170	0.98	70	-25 → +60
2x38	1200	**PCA 2/38 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22087033	360	350	0.36	71.1	2x32	0.315	0.99	75	-25 → +60
58	1500	**PCA 1/58 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22085286	360	350	0.32	56	50	0.25	0.98	75	-25 → +60
2x58	1500	**PCA 2/58 EXCEL** 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	22084608	360	350	0.36	111	100	0.49	0.98	75	-25 → +50

① dimming to 1 % between 0 °C to ta max.

② valid at 100 % light output

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Lamp starting characteristics:
Warm start
Starting time 0.6 s with AC
Starting time 0.6 s with DC
Start at any dimming level

AC operation:
Mains voltage
220–240 V 50/60 Hz
198–264 V 50/60 Hz including safety
tolerance (±10 %)
202–254 V 50/60 Hz including performance
tolerance (+6 % / -8 %)

DC operation:
220–240 V 0 Hz
198–280 V 0 Hz certain lamp start
176–280 V 0 Hz operating range
Use in emergency lighting installations
according to VDE 0108 or for emergency
luminaires according to EN 61347-2-3 appendix J.

Temperature range:
Dimming range 100 % to 1 % from 0 °C to
maximum permissible ambient temperature ta.
100 % operation from -25 °C to maximum
permissible ambient temperature ta.

Mains currents in DC operation:

Ballast Type	Mains current at $U_n = 220$ VDC	Mains current at $U_n = 240$ VDC
PCA 1/18 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.08 A	0.07 A
PCA 1/30 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.11 A	0.10 A
PCA 1/36 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.14 A	0.13 A
PCA 1/38 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.14 A	0.13 A
PCA 1/58 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.22 A	0.20 A
PCA 2/18 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.14 A	0.13 A
PCA 2/30 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.21 A	0.19 A
PCA 2/36 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.25 A	0.23 A
PCA 2/38 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.26 A	0.23 A
PCA 2/58 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.42 A	0.38 A

Light output level in DC operation:
Programmable from 1 % to 70 %
Programming by extended DSI signal (16 bit)
Default value is 70 %
In DC operation dimming is not possible

Ballast lumen factor AC operation (AC-BLF) EN 60929 8.1:

Ballast Type	AC-BLF at $U_n = 230$ VAC
PCA 1/18 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.01
PCA 1/30 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.00
PCA 1/36 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.99
PCA 1/38 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.07
PCA 1/58 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.00
PCA 2/18 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.00
PCA 2/30 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.99
PCA 2/36 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.00
PCA 2/38 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	1.00
PCA 2/58 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	0.99

The ballast lumen factor for AC operation (AC-BLF) does not alter from $U_n = 198$ VAC to $U_n = 254$ VAC.

The ballast lumen factor for DC operation (DC-BLF) on the basis of an automatic power reduction
of the ballasts (default value is 70 %) will be smaller than AC. It does not alter in the DC operating
range (198–280 VDC).

Harmonic distortion in the mains supply (at 220 V/50 Hz):

| Ballast Type	THD	3	5	7	9	11
PCA 1/18 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	13.9	13.2	3.7	2.2	1.4	1.1
PCA 1/30 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	11.7	10.2	3.6	2.2	1.5	1.1
PCA 1/36 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	8.7	8.3	2.2	1.4	1.0	0.7
PCA 1/38 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	9.3	8.6	2.9	1.8	1.2	0.9
PCA 1/58 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	8.3	7.5	3.0	1.8	1.2	0.8
PCA 2/18 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	8.4	7.9	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.6
PCA 2/30 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	8.9	8.3	2.7	1.8	1.3	1.1
PCA 2/36 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	6.2	5.8	1.9	1.2	0.9	0.7
PCA 2/38 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	7.5	6.8	2.5	1.7	1.3	1.0
PCA 2/58 EXCEL 220–240V 50/60/0Hz	6.6	5.9	2.4	1.6	1.2	0.8

Dimming:

Dimming range 1 % to 100 %
Digital control with:

- DSI signal: 8 bit Manchester Code
  Maximum speed 1 % to 100 % in 1.4 s
- DALI signal: 16 bit Manchester Code
  Maximum speed 1 % to 100 % in 0.5 s
  Programmable parameter:
  Minimum dimming level
  Maximum dimming level
  Default minimum = 1 %
  Programmable range 1 % $\leq$ MIN $\leq$ 49 %
  Default maximum = 100 %
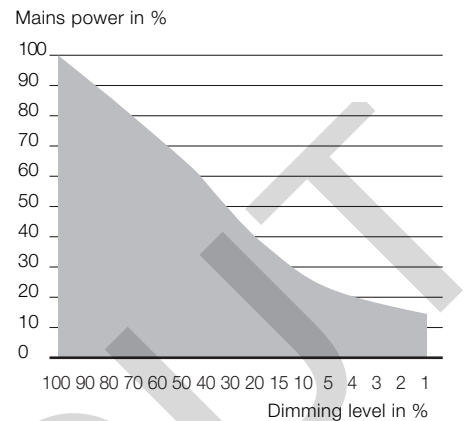 Programmable range 100 % $\geq$ MAX $\geq$ 50 %

Dimming curve that is friendly to the eye.

Dimming characteristics PCA EXCEL
Digital dimming value
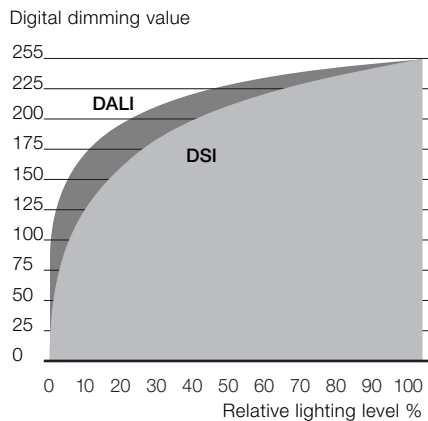
Dimming characteristics
as seen by the human eye

Energy Savings PCA EXCEL
Mains power in %

Control input (D1, D2):

Digital DALI/DSI signal or switchDIM can be wired
on the same terminals (D1 and D2).

Digital signal DALI/DSI:

The control input is non-polar and protected
against accidental connection with a mains
voltage up to 264 V. The control signal is not
SELV. Control cable should be installed in
accordance to the requirements of low voltage
installations.
Different functions depending on each module.

SMART interface:

An additional interface for the direct connection of
the SMART-LS light sensor. The sensor registers
actual ambient light and maintains the individually
defined lux level.
After every mains reset the SMART interface auto-
matically checks for an installed sensor. With the
sensor installed the PCA EXCEL automatically runs
in the constant lux level mode.
ON/OFF-Switch via mains, switchDIM or DALI/DSI
signal.
DALI/DSI signal = 0 switches off,
DALI/DSI signal $\geq$ 1 switches on.
Dimming with DALI or a DSI signal with the
SMART-LS installed is not possible.
switchDIM enables a temporary change of
light level.
The installation of the two wire bus is according
to the appropriate low voltage regulations.

switchDIM:

Integrated switchDIM function allows a direct
connection of a push to make switch for dimming
and switching.
Brief push (< 0.6 s) switches ballast ON and OFF.
The ballasts switch-ON at light level set at switch-
OFF.
When the push to make switch is held, PCA
ballasts are dimmed. After repush the PCA is
dimmed in the opposite direction.
In installations with PCAs with different dimming
levels or opposite dimming directions (e.g. after a
system extension), all PCAs can be synchronized
to 50 % dimming level by a 10 s push.
Use of push to make switch with indicator lamp is
not permitted.
switchDIM is a very simple tool for controlling bal-
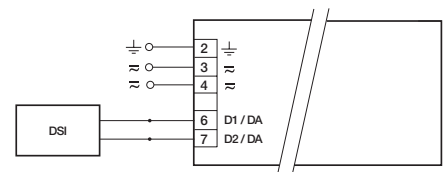lasts with conventional momentary-action switches
or motion sensors.
To ensure correct operation a sinusoidal mains volt-
age with a frequency of 50 Hz or 60 Hz is required
at the control input.
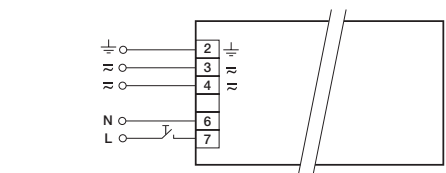Special attention must be paid to achieving clear
zero crossings.
Serious mains faults may impair the operation of
switchDIM.
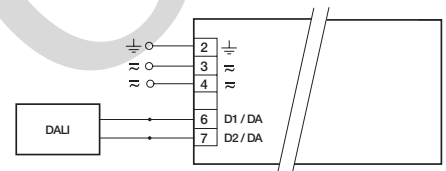
DALI PCA EXCEL one4all

DSI PCA EXCEL one4all

switchDIM PCA EXCEL one4all

Loading of automatic circuit breakers:

Automatic circuit breaker type	C10	C13	C16	C20	B10	B13	B16	B20
Installation ⌀	1.5 mm²	1.5 mm²	1.5 mm²	2.5 mm²	1.5 mm²	1.5 mm²	1.5 mm²	2.5 mm²
PCA 1/18 EXCEL	30	50	76	80	15	25	38	40
PCA 1/30 EXCEL	30	50	70	76	15	25	35	38
PCA 1/36 EXCEL	30	50	70	76	15	25	35	38
PCA 1/38 EXCEL	30	50	70	76	15	25	35	38
PCA 1/58 EXCEL	20	30	40	46	10	15	20	23
PCA 2/18 EXCEL	20	30	40	46	10	15	20	23
PCA 2/30 EXCEL	10	20	30	30	5	10	15	15
PCA 2/36 EXCEL	10	20	30	30	5	10	15	15
PCA 2/38 EXCEL	10	20	30	30	5	10	15	15
PCA 2/58 EXCEL	10	20	30	30	5	10	15	15

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Installation instructions:

Wiring type and cross section:

The wiring can be solid cable with a cross section of 0.5 to 1.5 mm² for push terminal and 0.5 mm² for concut terminal. For the push-wire connection you have to strip the insulation (7.5–8.5 mm).
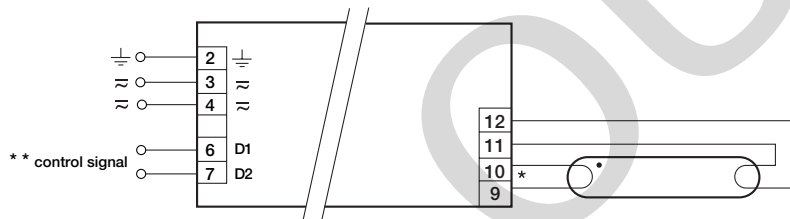
U_{out} = 250 V 250

wire preparation:
0.5 – 1.5 mm²

7.5 – 8.5 mm

RFI:
- Connection to the lamps of the hot leads must be kept as short as possible
- Mains leads should be kept apart from lamp leads (ideally 5–10 cm distance)
- Do not run mains leads adjacent to the electronic ballast
- Twist the lamp leads
- Keep the distance of lamp leads from the metal work as large as possible
- Ballast must be earthed
- Mains wiring to be twisted when through wiring
- Keep the mains leads inside the luminaire as short as possible

Important advise:
- When using two or more dimmable ballasts in one luminaire with separate dimming controls, the lamp leads must be kept separate
- All lamps must have the same length lead

Wiring advice:
The lead length is dependent on the capacitance of the cable.

Ballast	Terminal		Maximum capacitance allowed	
Type	Cold	Hot	Cold	Hot
PCA 1/xx EXCEL	11, 12	9, 10	200 pF	100 pF
PCA 2/xx EXCEL	11, 12, 13, 14	9, 10, 15, 16	200 pF	100 pF

With standard solid wire 0.5/0.75 mm² the capacitance of the lead is 30–80 pF/m. This value is influenced by the way the wiring is made.

Lamp connection should be made with symmetrical wiring.
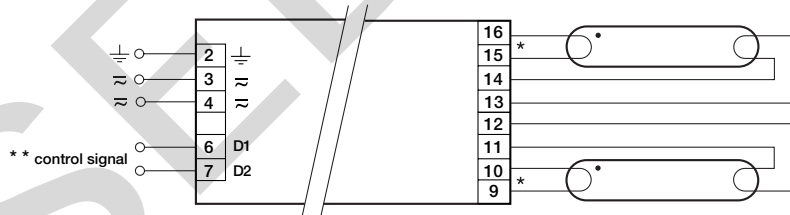Hot leads (9, 10, 15, 16) and cold leads (11, 12, 13, 14) should be separated as much as possible.

* * control signal

D1
D2

* leads 9, 10: keep wires short, max. 1.0 m
  leads 11, 12: max. 2.0 m; ballast must be earthed
* * digital signal (DSI), DALI or switch**DIM**

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* * control signal

D1
D2

* leads 9, 10, 15, 16: keep wires short, max. 1.0 m
  leads 11, 12, 13, 14: max. 2.0 m; ballast must be earthed
* * digital signal (DSI), DALI or switch**DIM**

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