

DBAL-12



Technical Manual

DUAL BEAM AIMING LASER

VISIBLE LASER POINTER / IR LASER

STEINER 
Nothing Escapes You

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SAFETY SUMMARY

WARNING

INVISIBLE LASER RADIATION

AVOID DIRECT EXPOSURE TO THE BEAM

GREEN or RED VISIBLE LASER POINTER - Class IIIa

LASER WAVELENGTH: RED - 635 nm / GREEN - 532 nm

OUTPUT: <5 mW

INFRARED LASER POINTER - CLASS I

OUTPUT: IR LASER: <0.7 mW / WAVELENGTH: 850 nm

- DO NOT stare into the laser beam.
- DO NOT look into the laser beam through binoculars or telescopes.
- DO NOT point the laser beam at mirror-like surfaces.
- DO NOT shine the laser beam into other individual's eyes.



Safety Data

| LASER | Power | SAFETY | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|----------|
| | Output | CLASS | NOHD (m) |
| GREEN LASER - High Power | <5 mW | IIIa | 56.8 |
| RED LASER - High Power | <5 mW | IIIa | 199.7 |

DEFINITION OF THE FOLLOWING ALERTS THROUGHOUT THIS MANUAL:

WARNING

Identifies a clear danger to the person doing that procedure.

CAUTION

Identifies risk of damage to the equipment.

NOTE

Used to highlight essential procedures, conditions, statements, or convey important instructional data to the user.

WARNING

Be sure the weapon is CLEAR and on SAFE before proceeding.

WARNING RISK OF DETECTION BY ENEMY

To reduce the risk of detection by an enemy using a Night Vision Device (NVD), avoid prolonged activation of the DBAL-I².

The infrared beam is more detectable to an enemy using a NVD when used in smoke, fog and rain. Avoid prolonged activation of the DBAL-I² in these conditions.

WARNING

DO NOT store the DBAL-I² with the battery installed.

WARNING

The High Power Modes are blocked with a safety screw.

WARNING

To operate the DBAL-I² in the High Power modes the blue safety screw must be removed from the back of the unit. The Armorer will remove and store the safety screw.

WARNING

All directions, such as CW and CCW, are given from the shooter's point of view, as though the DBAL-I² were weapon-mounted.

WARNING

The DBAL-I² is powered by one 3-volt CR 123A Lithium Manganese Dioxide (Li/MnO₂) battery. The following safety precautions apply when handling lithium batteries:

- DO NOT short circuit, puncture, or disassemble
- DO NOT attempt to recharge
- NEVER dispose of lithium batteries in a fire, or in any way expose lithium batteries to excessive heat
- Batteries may explode if disassembled, crushed, recharged, or exposed to high temperatures
- Avoid mechanical or electrical abuse
- Prior to use, inspect all batteries for cracks, leakage, or bulging
- NEVER install a defective battery in the DBAL-I²
- DO NOT install battery incorrectly
- Store at room temperature
- Refer to applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations for proper disposal of the batteries

WARNING

Make sure the Activation Mode Selector Switch is in the OFF position before inspecting the Exit Port Lenses of the DBAL-I².

WARNING

If the Activation Selector Switch is not in the OFF position, the laser can be inadvertently activated by depressing the fire button on the top of the housing.

WARNING

If a laser borelight is used to boresight the DBAL-I², **be sure to remove the borelight from the weapon prior to firing.**

WARNING

NEVER boresight in the High Power mode of operation.

CAUTION

DO NOT over-adjust the laser adjusters by forcing them beyond their end of travel.

CAUTION

DO NOT defocus the infrared illuminator by forcing it beyond its normal end of travel.

CAUTION

DO NOT overtighten the Safety Screw when installing it into the DBAL-I² housing as you may strip the housing threads.

CAUTION

Prior to submerging the DBAL-I², make sure the infrared illuminator focusing knob has been adjusted in a CCW direction to the focus point.

CAUTION

Use ONLY authorized cleaning supplies on the DBAL-I² or permanent damage may occur.

CAUTION

DO NOT remove the Remote Cable Switch by pulling on the cable.

CAUTION

To prevent damage to the IR ILLUM Exit Port Cover, open the Dust Cover before turning the knob to adjust the focus.

HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

Usage

You must familiarize yourself with the entire manual before operating the equipment. Read the complete maintenance task before performing maintenance and follow all **WARNINGS, CAUTIONS** and **NOTES**.

Manual Overview

The manual contains sections for Operating and Maintaining the DBAL-I².

Appendix A Repair Parts

CHAPTER 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION



Figure 1-1 DBAL-I² in Use

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1.a Type of Manual:

Operator and Field Maintenance Manual.

1.1.b Equipment Name:

DBAL-l², Dual Beam Aiming Laser-Intelligent².

1.1.c Purpose of Equipment:

To covertly illuminate and direct fire using an infrared laser pointer (IR POINT) and an infrared laser illuminator (IR ILLUM) for operators equipped with a Night Vision Device (NVD).

1.2 REPORTING EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

If your DBAL-l² needs improvement, let us know.

Mail your comments to Steiner-Optik, 331 E. 8th St., Greeley, CO 80631
or email: laserlightsinfo@steiner-optics.com

1.3 Steiner 3-Year Laser Device Warranty

On all laser devices, Steiner offers a 3-Year Limited Warranty from the date of purchase that covers all laser, optical and electronic components, materials and workmanship. All warranties are void if the serial number or manufacturer's labels affixed to the product have been removed, or if products have been abused, misused, modified, neglected or have been disassembled prior to return to the manufacturer.

1.4 CROSS REFERENCES

Common Name

Allen Wrench
Battery Cap
Shipping Case
Cotton Swab
Neoprene Jack Plug
O-Ring
Safety Screw
Pattern Generator
Lens Covers
Paddle Switch
Battery
Technical Manual
Tape Fastener Loop
Tape Fastener Hook

Official Name

Socket Head Screw Key
Battery Box Cover
Textile Bag
Disposable Applicator
Plug Assembly
Gasket
Electrical Dial-Knob Lock
Optical Instrument Reticule
Exit Port Covers
Remote Cable Switch
3V CR 123A
Operator and Field Maintenance Manual
Fastener, Loop Tape
Fastener, Hook Tape

1.5 LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| | | | |
|-------|---------------------------|------|--------------------------------|
| C | Celsius (Centigrade) | mm | Millimeter |
| CCW | Counter-clockwise | mrad | Milliradians |
| cm | Centimeters | mW | Milliwatts |
| CTA | Common Table of Allowance | nm | Nanometers |
| CW | Clockwise | No | Number |
| EA | Each | NOHD | Nominal Ocular Hazard Distance |
| F | Fahrenheit | NSN | National Stock Number |
| HI | High | NVD | Night Vision Device |
| ILLUM | Illuminator | O.D. | Optical Density |
| in | Inches | OIR | Optical Instrument Reticle |
| IR | Infrared | Para | Paragraph |
| LBS | Laser Borelight System | PWR | Power |
| LED | Light Emitting Diode | QTY | Quantity |
| LO | Low | RAS | Rail Adapter System |
| m | Meter | RMA | Return Material Authorization |
| Max | Maximum | SR | Service Representative |
| Mfr | Manufacturer | TM | Technical Manual |
| Min | Minimum | VIS | Visible |
| MOM | Momentary | | |

CHAPTER 2 – EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION

2.1 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The DBAL-I² is a Class IIIa laser device that features an IR POINT and IR ILLUM for use with a NVD. The IR beams can be operated individually or in combination, in both low power (LO PWR) and high power (HI PWR) settings.

The DBAL-I² is equipped with an IR POINT for precise aiming of the weapon and a separate IR ILLUM for illumination of the target or target area. The IR ILLUM provides supplemental illumination of the target area and is equipped with an adjustable bezel to vary the size of the illumination beam.

The DBAL-I² can be used as either a handheld pointer/illuminator or can be weapon mounted using a quick release mount. In the weapon mounted mode, the DBAL-I² can be used to accurately direct fire as well as illuminate and identify targets.

When the Safety Screw is installed in the rear of the DBAL-I² housing, it prevents the operator from accessing the HIGH POWER modes of operation.

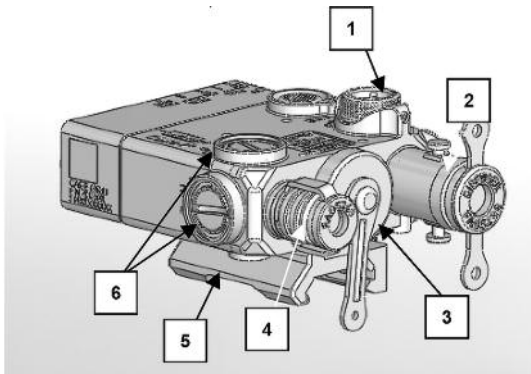


Figure 2-1 DBAL-I² Features

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | IR ILLUM Adjusters |
| 2 | IR ILLUM Laser Exit Port |
| 3 | 3V CR123A Battery Cap and Compartment |
| 4 | IR POINT Laser Exit Port |
| 5 | Quick Release Mount |
| 6 | IR POINT Adjusters |

2.2 GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Table 2.2 Weight, Dimensions, and Performance

WEIGHT

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| (with one battery, 3-volt CR123A) | 8 oz / 226.7 grams |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|

DIMENSIONS

| | |
|--------|------------------|
| Length | 3.5 in. / 8.9 cm |
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| | |
|-------|-----------------|
| Width | 2.75 in. / 7 cm |
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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Height (including mounting bracket) | 1.59 in. / 4.0 cm |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|

PERFORMANCE

Laser Wavelength

| | |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| IR POINT | GREEN: 532 nm / RED: 635 nm |
|----------|-----------------------------|

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| IR LASER | 850 nm |
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Output Power

| | |
|----------|-------|
| IR POINT | <5 mW |
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|----------|--------|
| IR LASER | 0.7 mW |
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Beam Divergence

| | |
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| IR POINT | <0.8 mrad |
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| IR LASER | <0.8 mrad |
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|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Battery Life | >3.0 Hours on Dual High (3V CR 123A) |
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POINT & ILLUM RANGE

(STARLIGHT CONDITIONS)

| | |
|----------|---------------------------|
| IR POINT | GREEN: 750 m / RED: 250 m |
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| IR LASER | >250 m |
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2.3 DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR COMPONENTS

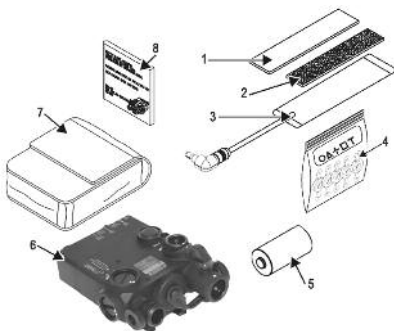


Fig. 2-2 DBAL-1² Major Components

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION |
|-------------|---|
| 1 | Tape Fastener Loop 5/8" (Black) |
| 2 | Tape Fastener Hook 1/2" (attached to remote cable switch) (Black) |
| 3 | Remote Cable Switch, 7" |
| 4 | Optical Instrument Reticle (OIR) (set of 5) |
| 5 | Battery, 3V CR 123A (must be used with associated battery cap) |
| 6 | DBAL-1 ² Assembly |
| 7 | Plastic Case |
| 8 | Operator and Field Maintenance Manual |

2.3.a Tape Fastener Loop

The Tape Fastener Loop is provided to secure the Remote Cable Switch to the weapon in a position convenient to the soldier.

2.3.b Tape Fastener Hook

The Tape Fastener Hook is pre-attached by the manufacturer to the pressure pad switch.

2.3.c Remote Cable Switch

The 7" Remote Cable Switch allows the user to activate the DBAL-I² in a momentary (MOM) mode by depressing the pressure pad once. Double-clicking the pressure pad will activate the DBAL-I² continuously for 5 minutes. Pressing the pressure pad again will return the unit to momentary activation. The pressure pad provides a tactile (silent) click that indicates when the switch has been activated.

2.3.d Optical Instrument Reticle (OIR) (Pattern Generators)

NOTE

OIRs are not designed for accurate aiming of the weapon.

The Optical Instrument Reticles (OIR), also called Pattern Generators, are used for command and control. When an OIR is installed in front of the IR POINT or IR ILLUM that has been focused to a point, it will project the shape of a circle, triangle, plus sign, square, or T-shape.

2.3.e Battery

One 3V CR 123A battery is used as a power supply for operating the DBAL-I² (model dependent). The use of a high-quality battery is recommended.

2.3.f DBAL-I² Assembly

The DBAL-I² device provides an IR POINT and adjustable focus IR ILLUM. The device is used for aiming, signaling, command and control, and for purposes of supplying supplemental IR illumination.

2.3.g Plastic Case

The DBAL-I² is provided with a Shipping Case.

2.3.h Operator and Field Maintenance Manual

NOTE

You must read the entire Operator and Field Maintenance Manual before operating the DBAL-I² and follow all **WARNINGS, CAUTIONS** and **NOTES**.

The Operator and Field Maintenance Manual provides safety information, equipment information, operating instructions, mounting procedures, zeroing procedures, and maintenance procedures.

CHAPTER III – SECTION I OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

3.2 DBAL-I² CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

3.2.a Battery Installation

NOTE

Loss or removal of the O-ring from the battery cap may allow water to enter the DBAL-I².

Unscrew the battery cap in a CW direction. Remove and properly discard the spent battery. Inspect the battery compartment for dirt, moisture and corrosion. Clean the battery compartment as needed (refer to Paragraph 4.3.c).

Inspect the O-ring seal on the battery cap to make sure it is free of sand and dirt particles and that it has not been damaged (see Paragraph 4.3.d). Install the battery as indicated by the marking on the DBAL-I² housing. Reinstall the battery cap and hand tighten in a CCW direction.



Figure 3-1 Battery Installation

3.2.b Activation Mode Selector Switch

WARNING

The High Power Modes of operation are blocked with a blue Safety Screw.

NOTE

The DBAL-I² will not operate if the rotary switch is not aligned with the marked switch position.

In extreme cold temperatures the switch may offer more resistance.

The Activation Mode Selector Switch is located on the left rear of the DBAL-I² housing. It is used to select between the various modes of operation when the Remote Cable Switch or the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch is depressed. The Activation Mode Selector Switch has six positions. See Table 3-1.



Figure 3-2 Activation Mode Selector Switch

Table 3-1 Activation and Mode Selector Switch Functions

| Switch Position | Marking | Use | Remarks |
|------------------------|---------------------|--|---|
| 1 | OFF | OFF | The DBAL-I ² will not operate |
| 2 | A/L (AIM LO) | LOW IR POINT is activated when the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation switch is depressed. | Used for bore sighting and training |
| 3 | D/L (DUAL LO) | LOW IR POINT & LOW IR ILLUM are activated when the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation switch is depressed. | Primarily used to boresight the laser, in low light conditions, and for training. |
| 4 | A/H (AIM HI) | HIGH IR POINT is activated when the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation switch is depressed. | Used for pointing / aiming, at long ranges. DO NOT use for bore sighting the weapon. |
| 5 | L/H (DUAL LO/HI) | LOW IR POINT & HIGH IR ILLUM are activated when the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation switch is depressed. | Illuminates the target area and provides an aiming point to accurately engage the target. For pointing /aiming indoors and outdoors at close range. |
| 6 | H/H (DUAL HI/HI) | HIGH IR POINT & HIGH IR ILLUM are activated when the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation switch is depressed. | Illuminates the target area and provides an aiming point to accurately engage the target. For pointing /aiming indoors and outdoors at close range. |

3.2.d Integrated Momentary Activation Switch

The Integrated Momentary Activation Switch is located on the top of the DBAL-I² housing below the word FIRE. Firmly pressing and holding the switch activates the DBAL-I² laser function selected by the Activation Mode Selector Switch. When the switch is released, the DBAL-I² turns off.

Double-clicking the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch will activate the DBAL-I² in a continuous ON mode for 5 minutes. Pressing the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch once again will return the unit to the momentary mode.

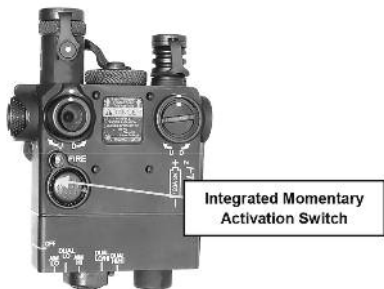


Figure 3.4 Integrated Momentary Activation Switch

3.2.e Activation Indicator

A green LED is located on the rear housing between the Activation Mode Selector Switch and the remote cable receptacle. When lit, it indicates that the DBAL-I² is actively emitting laser energy. It also acts as a Low Battery Indicator.

When the Activation Mode Selector Switch is turned to an operating position, the LED will light up if either the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation Switch is pressed and held, indicating that the laser is ON. The LED will remain lit until the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch or Remote Cable Switch is released.

When the Remote Cable Switch or Integrated Momentary Activation Switch has been pressed twice in rapid succession, the LED will light up indicating that the laser is functioning in a constant ON mode. The LED will remain lit for 5 minutes or until the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch or Remote Cable Switch is pressed once again to return the unit to momentary activation.

If the LED starts to blink, the battery is low and should be replaced. The battery should be replaced as soon as the indicator starts to blink.

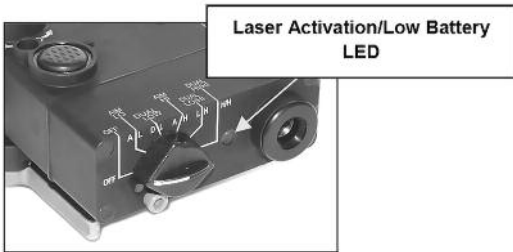


Figure 3.5 Laser Activation/Low Battery LED

3.2.f Remote Cable Switch

CAUTION

DO NOT remove the Remote Cable Switch by pulling on the cable.

NOTE

When installing the Remote Cable Switch, twist the plug into the remote cable port.

The DBAL-1² Activation Mode Selector Switch must be turned to a laser setting to use the Remote Cable Switch.

DBAL-1² will not operate if the rotary switch is not aligned with the marked switch position.

The Remote Cable Switch plugs into the back of the DBAL-I² for weapon mounted use as shown in Figure 3-6. Pressing the Remote Cable Switch activates the DBAL-I² in the operational mode and power level selected by the Activation Mode Selector Switch (e.g. A/L, D/L, A/H, etc). When the remote cable switch is released, the DBAL-I² turns off.

In the Momentary Mode when the Remote Cable Switch has been double-clicked, the DBAL-I² will be activated in a constant ON mode for 5 minutes or until the Remote Cable Switch is pressed once again to return the unit to momentary activation. When the Remote Cable Switch is installed into the DBAL-I², it automatically locks in place. To remove it, pull back on the plug's sleeve. DO NOT remove the Remote Cable Switch by pulling on the cable.



Figure 3.6 Installation of Remote Cable Switch

3.2.g IR ILLUM Focusing Knob

CAUTION

Prior to submerging the DBAL-I² make sure the infrared illuminator focusing knob has been adjusted in a CCW direction to its stop. To prevent damage to the IR ILLUM Exit Port Cover, open the Exit Port Cover before turning the knob to adjust the focus.

NOTE

Prior to exposing the DBAL-I² to extreme cold temperatures make sure that the IR ILLUM focusing knob has been adjusted to the focus point. In extreme cold temperatures the IR ILLUM focusing knob may offer more resistance.

The IR ILLUM focus knob is marked with a white dot to use as a reference point. Direction of rotation and the corresponding beam size (spot to flood) is indicated on the DBAL-I² housing.

Turn the IR ILLUM CCW from the shooter's perspective to mechanical stop, then CW to line up the white dots. This is optimal for a point or smallest diameter beam. Rotating the IR ILLUM CW adjusts the beam size from spot to flood, based on the range and size of the area to be illuminated.



Figure 3-7 The IR ILLUM Focusing Knob

3.2.h Optical Instrument Reticles (OIR) (Pattern Generators)

NOTE

OIRs are not designed for accurate aiming of the weapon. Exit port covers are not intended for use over the Optical Instrument Reticles. When installing the OIR, the top loop is identified by an “ear” on one side.

If the OIR is installed in front of the IR ILLUM and the pattern appears blurry or is unrecognizable, focus the IR ILLUM to a point. To do this, turn the IR ILLUM CCW from the shooter’s perspective to mechanical stop, then CW to line up the white dots.

The Optical Instrument Reticles (OIR), or Pattern Generators, are used for command and control. When an OIR is installed in front of the IR ILLUM that has been focused to a spot, it will project the shape of a circle, triangle, plus sign, square, or T-shape as shown in Figure 3-8.

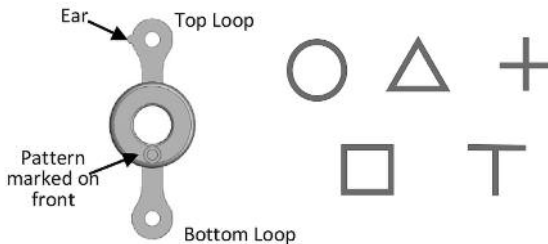


Figure 3-8 OIR, or Pattern Generator

To use the OIR, select the appropriate pattern as marked on the front of the OIR. Remove the Exit Port cover, and replace it with the OIR.

To remove the top Exit Port Cover, pull on the loose end of the Exit Port Cover retaining strap and stretch it over the top stud. Repeat the procedure to remove the bottom Exit Port Cover retaining strap from the DBAL-1².

To install the OIR, stretch the end of the retaining strap over the retaining stud located on the bottom of the housing. Repeat the procedure by stretching the loose end of the retaining strap over the stud located on the top of the housing.

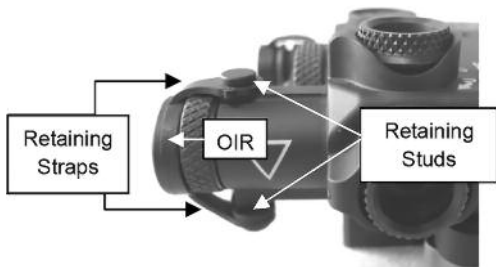


Figure 3-9 Installation of OIR, or Pattern Generator

CAUTION

DO NOT over adjust the adjusters by forcing them beyond their end of travel.

NOTE

Always move the adjusters slowly, once click at a time, to prevent the adjuster from jumping detents.

In extreme cold temperatures the adjusters may offer more resistance.

3.2.1 Adjusters

The adjuster may offer resistance as you turn it in a CW direction from the factory neutral position. When the adjuster is harder to turn, it has reached the maximum CW travel.

When the adjuster is at its maximum CW or CCW point of travel and turned in the opposite direction, the laser point may trace a small loop on the target. This is normal and does not indicate a failure condition.

A positive load is required when zeroing the DBAL-I² to retain the set alignment. See paragraph 3.4.

The adjuster knobs on the DBAL-I² may vary slightly in the force required to turn the adjusters. This is normal and does not indicate a failure condition. At the maximum CW or CCW travel the DBAL-I² lasers may not move a full 1 cm per click at 25 m, or may jump squares on the target. If this happens the DBAL-I² should be returned to its factory neutral preset as described in Paragraph 3.5.

DBAL-I² is for use on weapons where the MIL-STD-1913 rail is parallel with the bore of the weapon. In the factory neutral position the IR POINT should project

on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted and must fall within 15 cm of the bore at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.6.

The DBAL-I² is equipped with adjusters to zero the IR POINT and IR ILLUM. Each adjuster click will move the laser point by 1 cm at 25 meters.

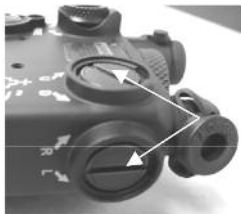
The IR POINT adjuster guards are marked with arrows and the letters U/D and R/L, indicating the direction that the shot group will move if an adjuster is turned when the laser is mounted in the horizontal (top) position. The IR ILLUM adjuster guards are also marked with arrows and the letters U/D and L/R, indicating the direction that the ILLUM beam will move on the target if an adjuster is turned when the laser is mounted in the horizontal (top) position. The adjusters will move the IR POINT approximately 10" or 25 clicks in each direction from the factory neutral preset position at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.5.

Zero the IR POINT first then center the IR ILLUM on the IR POINT.



IR ILLUM Adjusters

Figure 3-10 Adjusters for Illumination Beam



Aiming Beam Adjusters

Figure 3-11 Adjusters for Aiming Beam



Figure 3-12 Adjuster Guard Markings

Aiming Laser Adjustment

Table 3-2 indicates the direction of adjuster rotation and shot group movement for zeroing the IR POINT to the weapon when the DBAL-I² is Top Mounted.

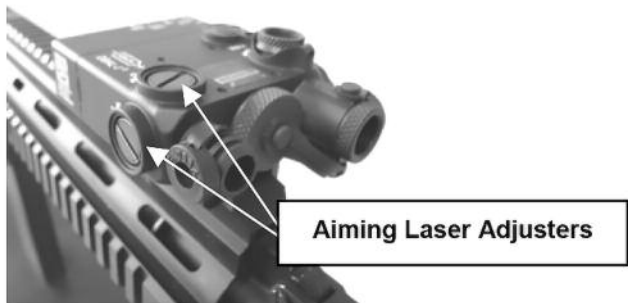


Figure 3-13 IR POINT Adjusters (Top Mounted)

Table 3-2 Adjuster Rotation and Shot Group Movement for the Aiming Lasers (Top Mounted)

| ZEROING THE AIMING LASER | Adjuster Movement | Shot Group Movement |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Top Adjuster Elevation (guard marked U/D) | CW CCW | Up Down |
| Side Adjuster Windage (guard marked R/L) | CW CCW | Right Left |

When adjusting in a CCW direction, apply a positive load to the adjuster by turning an additional 1/4 turn (12 clicks) CCW, then make the final adjustments by turning the adjusters in a CW direction. No positive load is required when adjustments are made in the CW direction.



Figure 3-14 IR ILLUM Adjusters (Right Mounted)

Table 3-3 Adjuster Rotation and Illumination Area Movement for the IR ILLUM (Right Mounted)

| ZEROING THE IR ILLUM | Adjuster Movement | Shot Group Movement |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Top Adjuster Elevation (guard marked U/D) | CW CCW | Up Down |
| Side Adjuster Windage (guard marked L/R) | CW CCW | Left Right |

When adjusting in a CCW direction, apply a positive load to the adjuster by turning an additional 1/4 turn (8 clicks) CCW, then make the final adjustments by turning the adjusters in a CW direction. No positive load is required when adjustments are made in the CW direction.

CHAPTER III – SECTION II MOUNTING PROCEDURES

3.3 MOUNTING PROCEDURES

WARNING

Be sure the weapon is CLEAR and on SAFE before proceeding.

NOTE

The DBAL-I² may be placed at any position (forward and aft) on the rail that is convenient for the operator. If the DBAL-I² is removed from the rail, the operator must take note of the position at which it was zeroed, and return it to the same position in order to ensure that zero is retained.

Failure to fully tighten the Quick Release Mount will cause problems retaining the zero adjustment. Insure that the base of the Quick Release Mount is fully seated on the MIL-STD-1913 rail with NO front or rear overhang.

The DBAL-I² is for use on weapons where the MIL-STD-1913 rail is parallel with the bore of the weapon. In the factory neutral position the IR POINT should project on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted and must fall within 15 cm of the bore at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.5.

3.3.a M4/M16A4 Mounting Procedure

WARNING

Be sure the weapon is CLEAR and on SAFE before proceeding.

NOTE

The DBAL-I² may be placed at any position (forward and aft) on the rail that is convenient for the operator. If the DBAL-I² is removed from the rail, the operator must take note of the position at which it was zeroed, and return it to the same position in order to ensure that zero is retained.

Failure to fully close the Quick Release Mount will cause problems retaining the zero adjustment.

The DBAL-I² is for use on weapons where the MIL-STD- 1913 rail is parallel with the bore of the weapon. In the factory neutral position, the IR POINT should project on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted and must fall within 15 cm of the bore at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.5.



Figure 3-12 DBAL-I² Top Mounted on M4/M16A

The DBAL-I² may be mounted on the Top, Left, or Right rail using the Quick Release Mount.

Open the Quick Release Mount so that it is perpendicular to the DBAL-I² housing. See Figure 3-15.

Align the crossbar on the bottom of the mount with a slot on the rail. Push forward on the DBAL-I² so that the crossbar contacts the front of the slot on the MIL-STD-1913 rail. Move the quick release arm so that it is parallel with the body of the laser housing. See Figure 3-16.

Install the Remote Cable Switch in a convenient location.

CHAPTER III – SECTION III ZEROING PROCEDURES

This section provides zeroing instructions for the DBAL-I² using the AA Borelight System, Item No. 9090

3.4 PLACING A POSITIVE LOAD ON THE ADJUSTERS

CAUTION

DO NOT over-adjust the adjusters by forcing them beyond their end of travel.

NOTE

ALWAYS Zero starting with the Adjuster marked U/D.

When moving the adjusters, make sure that the adjustment mechanism has engaged a detent and has not stopped between detents. Failure to properly engage a detent may impact accuracy as the laser may move when the weapon is fired.

Positive Load is required anytime an adjustment to IR POINT or IR ILLUM is made in a CCW direction. A Positive Load is not required when making a CW adjustment.

Positive Load is the controlled compression of the spring within the adjuster mechanism to insure the highest level of accuracy is maintained after the weapon is zeroed.

When adjusting in a CCW direction, apply a positive load to the adjuster by turning an additional 1/4 turn (8 clicks) CCW, then make the final boresight/zero adjustment by turning the adjuster CW. For example, to move the adjuster one (1) click CCW, turn the adjuster CCW 8 clicks and then turn it CW 7 clicks to the new position.

3.5 FACTORY NEUTRAL PRESET

CAUTION

DO NOT over-adjust the adjusters by forcing them beyond their end of travel.

NOTE

ALWAYS zero the DBAL-I² starting with the Adjuster marked U/D.

When moving the adjusters, make sure that the adjustment mechanism has engaged a detent and has not stopped between detents. Failure to properly engage a detent may impact accuracy as the laser may move when the weapon is fired.

The adjuster may offer some resistance as you turn it in a CW direction from the factory neutral position. When the adjuster is harder to turn, it has reached the maximum CW travel.

The DBAL-1² is preset at the factory to a neutral position. In the neutral position the laser beam is parallel to the bore of the weapon. The IR POINT can be returned to the factory alignment (neutral position) using the following procedure:

1. Turn the adjuster marked U/D CW to the natural stop.
2. Turn it CCW one and one-quarter turns ($1\frac{1}{4}$) until the white dot on the adjuster aligns with the white dot on the adjuster guard.
3. Turn the adjuster marked R/L CW to the natural stop.
4. Turn it CCW one and three-quarter ($1\frac{3}{4}$) turns until the white dot on the adjuster aligns with the white dot on the adjuster guard.

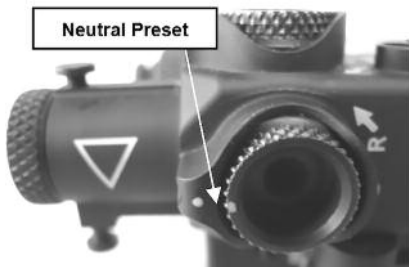


Figure 3-13 Neutral Preset

Table 3-4 Factory Neutral Preset

| Adjuster | Instruction |
|--|---|
| Adjuster Guard marked U/D for the IR POINT | First, turn CW to end of travel. DO NOT force past mechanical stop. Next, turn CCW 1 1/4 turns. Finally, turn CW to align the dot on the adjuster with the dot on the adjuster guard. |
| Adjuster Guard marked R/L for the IR POINT | |

3.6 DBAL-I² MOUNTING CONFIGURATIONS AND WEAPON OFFSETS

NOTE

Offsets have been calculated using a specific barrel length, bullet weight, and rail adaptor. Offsets for differing combinations of equipment will require some adjustment.

Offsets have been calculated but have not been verified by live fire on a specific weapon. Always validate the offsets based on the specific weapon platform and cartridge.

Table 3-5 includes weapon type, mounting configurations and offsets used in conjunction with DBAL-I². The table includes the 10-Meter Laser Borelight Offsets as well as standard M16A2/M16A4 25-Meter Zeroing Target offsets.

Table 3-5 DBAL-I² Mounting Configurations and Weapon Offsets

| Weapon | Mount | Range | 10m Boresight Target Offset | | 25m Target Zero Offset Squares to Strike Point | |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|---|--------------|
| M4 / M16A4 | Top Rail | 300m | IR ILLUM | 2.1R / 2.9U | IR ILLUM | 2.1L / 0.0 |
| | | | IR POINT | 1.9R / 3.0U | IR POINT | 1.9L / 0.0 |
| M4 / M16A4 | Left Rail | 300m | IR ILLUM | 5.0L / 1.2U | IR ILLUM | 5.0R / 2.0U |
| | | | IR POINT | 5.1L / 1.1U | IR POINT | 4.6R / 1.8U |
| M4 / M16A4 | Right Rail | 300m | IR ILLUM | 4.4R / 3.6D | IR ILLUM | 5.0L / 7.0U |
| | | | IR POINT | 4.5R / 3.3D | IR POINT | 4.6L / 6.5U |
| M4 / M16 w / M203 | Top Rail | 300m | IR ILLUM | 2.2R / 3.7U | IR ILLUM | 2.1L / 0.0 |
| | | | IR POINT | 2.0R / 3.9U | IR POINT | 1.9L / 0.0 |
| M4 / M16 w / M203 | Left Rail | 300m | IR ILLUM | 4.3L / 0.8U | IR ILLUM | 4.8R / 3.0U |
| | | | IR POINT | 4.5L / 0.7U | IR POINT | 4.5L / 2.8U |
| M4 / M16 w / M203 | Right Rail | 300m | IR ILLUM | 4.7R / 2.8D | IR ILLUM | 5.0R / 7.0U |
| | | | IR POINT | 4.8R / 2.4D | IR POINT | 4.6R / 6.5U |
| M249 Short Barrel | Top Rail | 400m | IR ILLUM | 1.2L / 6.0U | IR ILLUM | 9.0R / 13.0U |
| | | | IR POINT | 8.5L / 2.2D | IR POINT | 8.3R / 12.0U |
| M249 Short Barrel | Left Rail | 400m | IR ILLUM | 8.4L / 2.4D | IR ILLUM | 2.1R / 4.4U |
| | | | IR POINT | 1.9R / 5.0U | IR POINT | 1.9R / 5.0U |

Table 3-5 DBAL-I² Mounting Configurations and Weapon Offsets, continued

| Weapon | Mount | Range | 10m Boresight Target Offset | | 25m Target Zero Offset Squares to Strike Point | |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|---|--------------|
| M249 Short Barrel | Right Rail | 400m | IR ILLUM | 4.3R / 7.5D | IR ILLUM | 2.1R / 4.4U |
| | | | IR POINT | 4.3R / 7.0D | IR POINT | 1.9R / 5.0U |
| M249 Std. Barrel | Top Rail | 400m | IR ILLUM | 4.8R / 5.5U | IR ILLUM | 2.1L / 2.1U |
| | | | IR POINT | 4.4R / 5.7U | IR POINT | 1.9L / 1.0U |
| M249 Std. Barrel | Left Rail | 400m | IR ILLUM | 4.4L / 1.8D | IR ILLUM | 6.7R / 9.7U |
| | | | IR POINT | 4.9L / 1.7D | IR POINT | 6.2R / 9.0U |
| M249 Std. Barrel | Right Rail | 400m | IR ILLUM | 5.7R / 7.4D | IR ILLUM | 6.7L / 13.9U |
| | | | IR POINT | 6.2R / 6.8D | IR POINT | 6.2L / 12.8U |
| M240B | Top Rail | 500m | IR ILLUM | 2.0R / 3.8U | IR ILLUM | 2.1L / 5.1U |
| | | | IR POINT | 1.8R / 4.2U | IR POINT | 1.9L / 4.7U |
| M240B | Left Rail | 500m | IR ILLUM | 6.0L / 3.5D | IR ILLUM | 6.3R / 14.6U |
| | | | IR POINT | 6.0L / 3.2D | IR POINT | 6.3R / 13.5U |
| M240B | Right Rail | 500m | IR ILLUM | 6.0R / 7.8D | IR ILLUM | 6.8L / 16.8U |
| | | | IR POINT | 6.4R / 7.2D | IR POINT | 6.3L / 15.5U |

3.6.a Boresight Using the Laser Borelight System

WARNING

NEVER boresight in the High Power mode of operation.

CAUTION

DO NOT over-adjust the adjusters by forcing them beyond their end of travel.

NOTE

Always move the adjusters slowly, one click at a time, to prevent the adjuster from jumping detents.

In extreme cold temperatures the adjusters may offer more resistance.

The adjuster may offer resistance as you turn it in a CW direction from the factory neutral position. When the adjuster is harder to turn, it has reached the maximum CW travel.

When the adjuster is at its maximum CW or CCW point of travel and is turned in the opposite direction, the laser point may trace a small loop on the target. This is normal and does not indicate a failure condition.

A positive load is required when zeroing the DBAL-I² for purposes of retaining the set alignment. See paragraph 3.4.

The adjuster knobs on the DBAL-I² may vary slightly in the force required to turn the adjusters. This is normal and does not indicate a failure condition.

At the maximum CW or CCW travel the DBAL-I² lasers may not move a full 1 cm per click at 25 m, or may jump squares on the target. If this happens the DBAL-I² should be returned to its factory neutral preset as described in Paragraph 3.5.

The DBAL-I² is for use on weapons where the MIL-STD- 1913 rail is parallel with the bore of the weapon. In the factory neutral position the IR ILLUM / IR POINT should project on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted and must fall within 15 cm of the bore at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.5.

This procedure is used to boresight the DBAL-I² on its weapon for a distance of 300, 400 or 500 meters using laser boresight targets.

Refer to the Double A Borelight manual for instructions on creating boresight targets. Each adjuster click moves the strike point 4 mm on the 10 m boresight offset target.

1. Create the 10-Meter Boresight Target for the DBAL-I² weapon and ammunition combination for which boresighting is required using the 10m Boresight Target Offsets in Table 3-5.
2. Position the target at 10 meters in a level, vertical position. Proper positioning of the target is critical for accurate boresighting results.

3. Stabilize the weapon so it does not move and insert the Borelight Arbor assembly into the muzzle of the weapon.
4. Activate the Borelight and verify that the Borelight is properly aligned. Refer to LBS Operator's Manual for zeroing procedures.
5. Adjust the target as required to place the laser dot on the target location marked "Laser Borelight."
6. Activate the IR POINT by rotating the Activation Mode Selector Switch to the AIM LO (A/L) position. Adjust the Aiming Laser windage and elevation adjusters until the point is centered on the corresponding offset location.
7. A positive load is required on the adjustment mechanism when zeroing the DBAL-I² for purposes of retaining the set alignment. See Paragraph 3.4.
8. The DBAL-I² weapon combination is now boresighted. Rotate the DBAL-I² Activation Mode Selector Switch to OFF and remove the Borelight Mandrel Interface assembly from the weapon. Check the weapon barrel to make sure it is free and clear.

Repeat above steps to boresight the ILLUM beam.

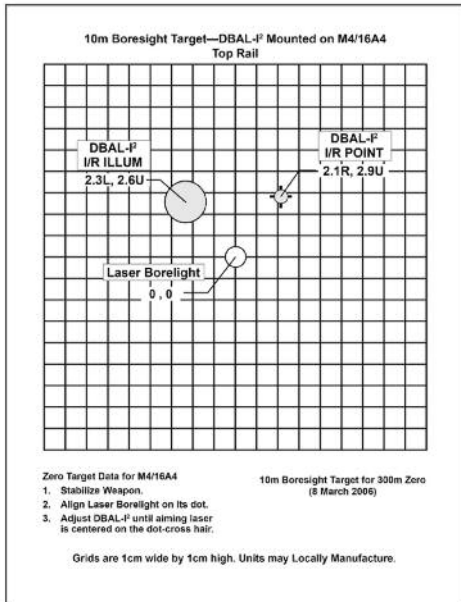


Figure 3-14 Laser Boresight 10 meter Zeroing Target

3.6.a Zeroing on a 25-Meter Range

CAUTION

DO NOT over-adjust the adjusters by forcing them beyond their end of travel.

NOTE

ALWAYS Zero the laser starting with the Adjuster marked U/D.

Always move the adjusters slowly, one click at a time, to prevent the adjuster from jumping detents.

In extreme cold temperatures the adjusters may offer more resistance. The adjuster may offer some resistance as you turn it in a CW direction from the factory neutral position. When the adjuster is harder to turn, it has reached the maximum CW travel.

When the adjuster is at its maximum CW or CCW point of travel and is turned in the opposite direction, the laser point may trace a small loop on the target. This is normal and does not indicate a failure condition.

The adjustment mechanism requires a positive load when zeroing the DBAL-1² for purposes of retaining the set alignment. See paragraph 3.4.

The adjuster knobs on the DBAL-I² may vary slightly in the force required to turn the adjusters. This is normal and does not indicate a failure condition.

At the maximum CW or CCW travel the DBAL-I² lasers may not move a full 1 cm per click, or may jump squares on the target. If this happens the DBAL-I² should be returned to its factory neutral preset as described in Paragraph 3.5.

DBAL-I² is for use on weapons where the MIL-STD-1913 rail is parallel with the bore of the weapon. In the factory neutral position the IR POINT should project on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted and must fall within 15 cm of the bore at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.5.

This procedure is used to zero the DBAL-I² to the following weapons for the distances listed in Table 3-5. Refer to Table 3-2 and Table 3-3 for adjuster rotation and direction of shot group movement. Each adjuster click moves the strike point by approximately 1 cm on the M16A2/M16A4 25-meter zeroing target.

1. On a 25-meter zeroing target (Figure 3-20), mark the designated strike point and designated 4 cm/6 cm strike zone based on the weapon you are using.
2. Mount the target on an "E" silhouette or other suitable surface at 25 meters.

3. Set the DBAL-I² adjusters to their factory neutral position as described in Paragraph 3.5.
4. Activate the IR POINT to be zeroed by rotating the Activation Mode Selector Switch to the desired position. Double-click the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch or the Remote Cable to activate the laser continuously. When aligning the IR POINT, leave the IR/ILLUM Exit Port Cover in place. Aim center mass of the target until the aiming laser disappears through the 3 cm cut out.
5. Fire a 3-round shot group and note the center of the shot group relative to the designated strike zone.
6. Adjust the aiming beam adjusters to move the center of the shot group to the designated strike zone.
7. Repeat steps 5 and 6 until the shot group falls within the strike zone.
8. When firing the M16, M4 series or M240 series of weapons, when 5 out of 6 consecutive rounds are in the designated 4 cm strike zone you are zeroed. When firing the M249 series of weapons, when 5 out of 12 non-consecutive rounds are within a 6 cm square, the weapon is zeroed.

Once the IR POINT is zeroed, open the Exit Port Cover in front of the IR ILLUM while aiming the weapon down range. If necessary, adjust the focus of the IR ILLUM so that it can be seen down range. Use the IR ILLUM adjusters to center the IR ILLUM on the IR POINT.

Rotate the DBAL-I² Activation Mode Selector Switch to OFF.

**25 METER ZEROING TARGET
M16A2/M16A4**

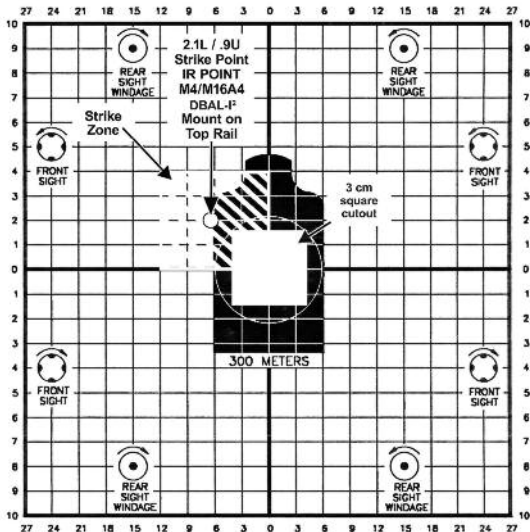


Figure 3-15 Commercial 25 meter Zeroing Target

CHAPTER IV – SECTION I PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS

4.1 GENERAL

NOTE

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks, has been provided so that you can keep your equipment in good operating condition.

Perform functional tests in the order listed in Table 4-1. Operating Procedures are detailed in Chapter III, Section I.

The Safety Screw must be installed in the Training Position. See Paragraph 3.2.c for Safety Screw operation.

Functional testing of the DBAL-I² to ensure proper operation should be performed in a dark room or area away from light. Viewing of IR beams must be performed with a NVD, (AN/PVS-7 or AN/PVS-14).

4.1.a Warnings and Cautions

Always observe the WARNINGS and CAUTIONS appearing in the table.

4.1.b Explanation of Table Entries

1. Item Number

Numbers in this column are for reference. Item numbers also appear in the order that you must perform the checks and services listed.

2. Interval

This column tells you when you must do the procedure in the procedure column. BEFORE (B) PROCEDURES must be done before you operate or use the equipment. DURING (D) PROCEDURES must be done during the time you are operating or using the equipment. AFTER (A) PROCEDURES must be done immediately after you have operated or used the equipment.

3. Item to Check/Service

This column provides the item to be checked or serviced.

4. Procedure

This column gives the procedure you must do to check the item.

5. Not Fully Mission Capable If

Information in this column tells you what faults will keep your equipment from being capable of performing its primary mission. Be sure to observe all special information and notes that appear in your table.

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Item No. | Interval | Item to Check/Service | Procedure | Not Fully Mission Capable If: |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | B/D/A | DBAL-I ² Exterior | -Check housing for separation between the front and the rear section of the housing, missing screws and missing switch knob, windage and elevation adjuster. | A gap appears between the front and the rear section of the housing, missing switch knob, or adjuster. |
| WARNING: DO NOT STARE DIRECTLY INTO INFRARED LIGHT BEAM | | | | |
| 2 | B/A | Exit Port Covers | -Check for broken or missing covers, exit port cover retention studs. -Move the Exit Port Covers to the open position. | |
| 3 | B/A | Exit Port Lens | -Check for cracked, dirty or broken lenses or missing ILLUM focusing adjustment. | If cracked or missing lens or missing ILLUM focusing knob. |
| 4 | B/A | Adjusters | -Check for broken, missing or stripped Adjusters. | Adjusters broken, missing or stripped or laser fails to move. |

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Item No. | Interval | Item to Check/Service | Procedure | Not Fully Mission Capable If: |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| 5 | B/D/A | Quick Release Mount | -Check attachment to housing, broken, missing parts. -Inspect rail clamp, crossbar and mount base for dirt and corrosion. -If laser is loose on the rail: Move to a different position on the rail; Move to a different rail on weapon; Replace the rail on weapon. | Quick release mount loose, missing parts or broken. |
| 6 | B/D/A | Safety Screw | -Broken or Missing | Broken or Missing |
| 7 | B/D/A | Remote Cable Port | -Check for mud or dirt and clean as needed. | |
| 8 | B/A | Battery Compartment | -Check for corrosion, presence of O-ring, spring, battery cap lanyard. Inspect threads for dirt or damage. | Corroded or broken contacts. |
| 9 | B/A | Battery Compartment O-Ring | -Check O-ring for cuts, cracks. -Lubricate with silicone grease as needed. | |
| 10 | B/A | 3V CR123A Battery or 1.5V AA Battery | -Install a known good battery | |

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Item No. | Interval | Item to Check/Service | Procedure | Not Fully Mission Capable If: |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| 11 | B/A | Activation Mode Selector Switch and Integrated Momentary Activation Switch | <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Select A/L (AIM LO) using the Activation Mode Selector Switch.-Use the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch and observe the beam spot on wall through (NVD necessary).-Select A/H (AIM HI) and repeat the activation.-Repeat for each laser activation position. | Activation Mode Selector Switch inoperative with the IR POINT or IR ILLUM Beam Spot not visible. |
| 12 | B | Boresight Alignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Confirm that the IR POINT can be zeroed on the weapon on which it will be mounted.-Check to make sure that the IR POINT projects on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted and falls within 10.2cm of the bore at 25 meters. See Paragraph 3.5. | |
| 13 | B/D/A | LED Status Indicator | <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Observe green LED is lit when lasing. | |
| 14 | B/A | Remote Cable Switch | <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Insert the remote cable switch and activate the laser. | |

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Item No. | Interval | Item to Check/Service | Procedure | Not Fully Mission Capable If: |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 15 | B/A | Remote Cable Switch | -Insert the remote cable switch and activate the laser. | |
| 16 | B/A | Flood Adjuster | -Check that IR ILLUM adjusts from spot to flood setting. | |
| 17 | B | Exit Port Covers | -Close exit port covers and press into place. -Activate VIS POINTER and make sure no light is being emitted from around the cover -Activate IR POINTER and repeat steps above using a NVD. | |
| 18 | A | Textile Bag | -Check for torn fabric. | |
| 19 | A | Battery | -Remove battery. | |

CHAPTER IV – SECTION II TROUBLESHOOTING

4.2 GENERAL

The purpose of troubleshooting is to identify the most frequent equipment malfunctions, probable causes, and corrective actions required. Table 4-2 lists the common malfunctions which may be found during the operation or maintenance of the DBAL-I² and accessory equipment. Perform the tests, inspections and corrective actions in the order listed. This manual cannot list all malfunctions that may occur; or all tests, inspections and corrective actions.

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Malfunction | Test / Inspection | Corrective Action | Ref. Para. |
|--|---|---|-------------------|
| 1. POINT/ILLUM beams fail to come on or stay on. | a. Ensure Activation Mode Selector Switch is in proper position. | -Properly align switch. | 3.2.b |
| | b. Verify Exit Port Cover is removed and that the Exit Port Lens is not obscured by mud/dirt. | -Remove Exit Port Covers. -Clean POINT/ILLUM Exit Port Lenses. | 4.3.b |
| | c. Verify battery installation. | -Tighten battery cap. -Install new battery | 3.2.a |
| | d. Inspect battery cap for damage or corrosion. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Malfunction | Test / Inspection | Corrective Action | Ref. Para. |
|--|---|--|-------------------|
| 1. POINT/ILLUM beams fail to come on or stay on. | e. Inspect battery contact spring in the battery compartment for damage or corrosion. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |
| | f. Possible internal failure. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |
| 2. POINT/ILLUM beams have become weak (not as bright). | a. Verify Exit Port Cover is removed and that Exit Port Lens is not obscured by mud / dirt. | -Remove Exit Port Cover. -Clean POINT & ILLUM Exit Port Lenses. | 4.3.b |
| | b. Verify proper battery installation. | -Tighten battery cap. -Install new battery. | 3.2.a -- |
| | c. Verify Exit Port Lens is not scratched or pitted. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |
| 3. POINT/ILLUM beams DO NOT move. | a. Verify adjuster function. | -Clean as required. -Notify Unit Maintenance. | 4.3.a |
| 4. Remote Cable Switch inoperable, but Integrated Momentary Activation Switch functions. | a. Verify Remote Cable Switch plug is fully seated. | -Reconnect plug. | 3.2.e |
| | b. Verify Remote Cable Port is free of mud / dirt. | -Flush with water. | 4.3.g |
| | c. Inspect Remote Cable Plug Contacts. | -Clean as needed. | |
| | d. Verify function of Remote Cable Switch. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |

Table 4-1 Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services

| Malfunction | Test / Inspection | Corrective Action | Ref. Para. |
|--|---|---|-------------------|
| 5. POINT beam cannot be zeroed to weapon. | a. Verify Quick Release Mount is properly positioned/secured to weapon. | -Properly position and secure. | 3.3 |
| | b. If laser is loose on rail: -Move to different position on rail. -Move to different rail on weapon. -Replace rail on weapon. | | |
| | c. Inspect mount base for corrosion or dirt. | -Clean as required. -Notify Unit Maintenance. | 4.3.a |
| 6. Laser beam cannot be zeroed to weapon. | d. Verify DBAL-I ² is properly secured to Quick Release Mount. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |
| | e. Verify Quick Release Mount is not damaged. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |
| | f. Check for beam movement. | -Notify Unit Maintenance. | |
| 7. ILLUM knob turns, but beam does not change. | a. Verify knob is free of mud and dirt. | -Clean as required. -Notify Unit Maintenance. | 4.3.a |
| 8. OIR pattern is blurry or unrecognizable. | a. Verify IR ILLUM has been focused to a point. | -Focus the IR ILLUM to a point. -Install different OIR. -Notify Unit Maintenance. | 3.2.h |

CHAPTER IV – SECTION III OPERATOR MAINTENANCE

4.3 GENERAL

WARNING

DO NOT store the DBAL-I² with the battery installed.

CAUTION

The use of gun cleaning agents that contain perchloroethylene or methylene chloride may permanently damage the DBAL-I² system.

The DBAL-I² is a rugged, compact laser device that is designed to operate in severe military environments. The exterior housing is made of aircraft grade aluminum and the outer components are made of chemically resistant materials that will not be harmed by chemicals normally encountered during military operations. Operator maintenance is limited to the inspection and cleaning of the DBAL-I² external surfaces, replacement of the battery before each mission, and removal of the battery after each mission.

4.3.a External Cleaning

Clean the exterior of the DBAL-I² by flushing with water and wiping with a clean, soft cloth. Cleaning should be done whenever the DBAL-I² becomes dirty or after exposure to salt water.

4.3.b Exit Port Lens Cleaning

To clean the POINT and ILLUM Exit Port Lenses, wipe clean using a soft cloth or disposable applicator dampened with water.

4.3.c Battery Compartment

Before each use, inspect the battery and battery compartment for dirt, dust, or corrosion. If dirty, clean using a soft cloth or disposable applicator.

4.3.d Battery Cap

Prior to water operations or immersion, inspect the O-ring seals in the battery cap to make sure they are free of sand or dirt particles. If the O-ring becomes cut, nicked or dried out, it should be replaced. If the battery cap is bent or scratched in the O-ring seating area, it should be replaced.

4.3.e IR ILLUM

Prior to water operations or immersion, make sure that the IR ILLUM Focusing Knob has been tightened in a CCW direction so that it is seated on the housing. This will fully compress the internal O-rings to prevent the possibility of water infiltrating the housing.

4.3.f Battery Removal and Replacement

Refer to Chapter III, Paragraph 3.2.a for Battery Installation procedures. No special tools or equipment are required to replace the battery.

4.3.g Replace Remote Cable

Before each use, inspect the remote cable port for dirt, dust, or corrosion. Thoroughly clean the receptacle by flushing with water, then wipe with a soft cloth or disposable applicator.

4.3.h Battery Compartment O-ring

NOTE

Never use a sharp or metal object to remove O-rings, as they damage the O-ring or the O-ring groove contact surface.

Before each use, inspect the battery compartment O-ring for nicks, cuts or damage. Lubricate the O-ring as needed using silicone grease as follows:

1. Remove the O-ring. Be careful not to stretch the O-ring.
2. Check the O-ring for hair, sand, lint, or other debris and wipe clean as necessary. Be careful not to stretch the O-ring. If the O-ring is cut or cracked it must be removed and replaced with a new O-ring.

3. If possible, wash your hands prior to greasing the O-ring. Lubricate the O-ring using your fingertips and a small amount of silicone grease until there is a thin film covering the complete surface. DO NOT stretch the O-ring.
4. Before replacing the O-ring, visually inspect the groove in the battery compartment cap for hair, sand, lint, or other debris and wipe clean as necessary.
5. Install the O-ring in the groove at the base of the battery compartment cap, making sure that it is seated uniformly, with no twists or loose areas. Be careful not to stretch the O-ring.

CHAPTER V – SECTION I UNIT TROUBLESHOOTING

5.1 GENERAL

Troubleshooting will identify equipment malfunctions, probable causes and corrective actions. Table 5-1 lists common malfunctions that may occur.

Perform the tests in the order they are listed.

Table 5-1 Unit Troubleshooting

| Malfunction | Test / Inspection | Corrective Action | Ref. Para. |
|--|---|--|-------------------|
| 1. Beams fail to come on or stay on. | a. Inspect battery compartment for corrosion. | -Clean battery compartment. | 5.2.c |
| | b. Inspect battery cap contact for corrosion. | -Clean battery cap contact. | 5.2.f |
| | c. Inspect battery cap and housing threads for contamination. | -Clean battery cap and housing threads. | 5.2.f |
| | d. Possible internal failure. | -Replace battery cap -Return for repair. | 5.2.f 5.6.a |
| 2. Beams have become weak (not as bright). | a. Verify Exit Port Lens is not obscured by dirt. | -Remove Exit Port Cover. -Clean Exit Port Lenses. | |
| | b. Verify battery installation. | -Tighten battery cap. -Install new battery. | 3.2.a |
| | c. Verify Exit Port Lens is not scratched or pitted. | -Replace battery cap. -Return for repair. | 5.2.f 5.6.a |

Table 5-1 Unit Troubleshooting

| Malfunction | Test / Inspection | Corrective Action | Ref. Para. |
|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| 3. Beams do not move. | a. Verify adjuster function. | -Clean as required. -Return for repair. | 5.2.a 5.6.a |
| 4. Remote Cable Switch inoperable, but the Integrated Momentary Activation Switch functions . | a. Inspect Remote Cable Port for dirt or debris. b. Inspect remote cable plug for damaged contacts. c. Possible remote cable failure. | -Clean remote cable port -Replace remote cable assembly. -Replace remote cable. -Return for repair. | 5.2.f 5.2.g 5.2.g 5.6.a |
| 5. Laser cannot be aligned, moves on rail, or when reset to factory neutral fails to project the IR POINT on the same side of the target as the laser is mounted. | a. Inspect weapon system rail. | -Refer to appropriate weapons TM. | |

CHAPTER V – SECTION II UNIT MAINTENANCE

5.2 GENERAL

CAUTION

The use of gun cleaning agents that contain perchloroethylene or methylene chloride may permanently damage the DBAL-I² system.

Unit Maintenance Procedures consist of operational tests, inspections, troubleshooting and the replacement of a limited number of parts (paragraphs 5.2.a through 5.2.g). All authorized repair parts can be installed at the unit level. A DBAL-I² failing to meet the tests and inspections should be replaced.

5.2.a External Cleaning

Clean the exterior of the DBAL-I² by flushing with water and wiping with a clean, soft cloth. Cleaning should be done whenever the DBAL-I² becomes dirty or after exposure to salt water.

5.2.b Exit Port Lens Cleaning

Use a lens cleaning kit to clean the IR POINT and IR ILLUM lenses.

5.2.c Battery Compartment

Before each use, inspect the battery and battery compartment for dirt, dust or corrosion. Clean the battery compartment by wiping with a soft,

clean cloth. If a damp cloth is used to clean the battery compartment make sure to allow the compartment to air dry completely before reinstalling the battery cap.

5.2.d Battery Cap

Prior to water operations or immersion, inspect the O-ring and the battery cap to make sure they are free of dirt, moisture or corrosion. Thoroughly clean the O-rings, battery cap and back of the battery compartment that seals against the O-ring using Isopropyl Alcohol. After cleaning, or if the O-ring becomes dried out, lubricate the O-ring using silicone grease. If the O-ring becomes cut or nicked, it should be replaced.

5.2.e Battery Compartment and Housing Threads

Inspect threading on the battery cap and housing for contamination. If the threading appears to be oily or dirty, clean with Isopropyl Alcohol using a soft, clean cloth.

5.2.f Battery Removal and Replacement

Refer to Chapter III, Paragraph 3.2.a for Battery Installation procedures. No special tools or equipment are required to replace the battery.

5.2.g Replace Remote Cable

See Chapter III, Paragraph 3.2.f to replace the Remote Cable Switch.

5.3 TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

See Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services Table 4-1.

5.4 REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF PARTS

Unit Maintenance is authorized for the removal and replacement of a limited number of assemblies. All repair parts can be installed at the unit level. Special tools or equipment are not required for maintaining the DBAL-1².

5.4.a Battery Removal and Installation

See Chapter III, Paragraph 3.2.a for procedures.

5.4.b Remove and Replace Battery Cap

To remove, stretch the end of the Retaining Strap over the stud on the Battery Cap. Unscrew the battery cap in a CCW direction. Install new battery cap and hand tighten in a CW direction. Reattached strap by stretching the end over the stud located on the battery cap.

5.4.c Removal and Replacement of Battery Cap Retaining Strap

NOTE

Install the Battery Cap Retaining Strap below the Exit Port Cover Retaining Strap on the IR ILLUM.

To remove the Battery Cap Retaining Strap it is necessary to remove the Exit Port Cover Retaining Strap first.

To install, stretch the end of the retaining strap over the stud located on the battery cap. Stretch the other end of the strap over the stud located below the IR ILLUM focusing assembly.

To remove, stretch the end of the Strap over the stud on the Battery Cap then stretch the other end over the stud below the IR ILLUM.

5.4.d Remove and Replace Battery Cap O-ring

NOTE

NEVER use a sharp or metal object to remove O-rings as they may damage the O-ring or the O-ring groove contact surface. Inspect the O-ring for nicks, cracks, cuts or abrasion. Also check to make sure that it feels soft. If damaged, replace the O-ring.

To remove pull the O-ring out of the groove at the base of the threaded portion of the battery cap and remove. Install the new O-ring by pulling it onto the battery cap so that it fits in the groove located at the base of the threaded portion of the battery cap.

5.4.e Remove and Replace Safety Screw

WARNING

In order to make the DBAL-1² operate in the High Power modes of operation the blue Safety Screw must be removed from the back of the unit. The Armorer will remove and store the Safety Screw.

CAUTION

DO NOT over tighten the Safety Screw as it may strip the threads in the housing. The Armorer will remove and store the Safety Screw using a 3/32 in. hex key. The Armorer will install the Safety Screw using a 3/32 in. hex key.

5.4.f Removal and Replacement of Exit Port Cover Retaining Straps

To remove the top Exit Port Cover, pull on the loose end of the Exit Port Cover retaining strap and stretch it over the top stud. Repeat the procedure to remove the bottom Exit Port Cover retaining strap from the DBAL-I².

To replace the Exit Port Cover Retaining Straps, stretch the end of the retaining strap over the retaining stud located on the bottom of the housing. Repeat the procedure by stretching the loose end of the retaining strap over the stud located on the top of the housing.

CHAPTER V – SERVICE/PACKING AND UNPACKING

5.5 Steiner 3-Year Laser Device Warranty

On all laser devices, Steiner offers a 3-Year Limited Warranty from the date of purchase that covers all laser, optical and electronic components, materials and workmanship. All warranties are void if the serial number or manufacturer's labels affixed to the product have been removed, or if products have been abused, misused, modified, neglected or have been disassembled prior to return to the manufacturer.

5.6 Warranty or Repair Service

5.6.a If you require warranty or repair service please contact Steiner Optik, and we will determine the best way to fix your device. For more information, email laserlightsinfo@steiner-optics.com or call 888-288-7747.

5.6.b To assist the Customer Service with determining if the item is repairable, please provide the following information:

1. Serial Number of the defective item
2. Thorough description of the malfunction, defect or damage
3. An explanation as to how the malfunction, defect or damage occurred, if known.

If Steiner determines that the item is under warranty or should be returned for repair, a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number will be provided.

5.6.c When returning the DBAL-I² for service or repair, the following procedures should be followed to prevent any additional damage:

1. Be sure that the DBAL-I² is free of all contaminants such as dirt or any other foreign material.
2. Remove the battery.
3. Place the DBAL-I² in the Shipping Case or Carrying Case if available. If the Shipping Case is not available, individually package each DBAL-I² unit being returned in a suitable container.

5.6.d Place the DBAL-I² and a copy of the test report or detailed description of the failure in a suitable packing/shipping container. Mark the package with the RMA number. Ship by the fastest, traceable, prepaid means to the address provided by Steiner Customer Service.

APPENDIX A REPAIR PARTS

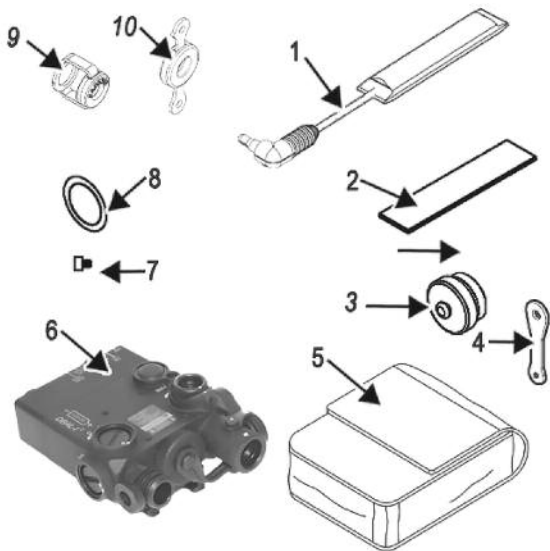


Figure 1 Repair Parts

Table A-1 Repair Parts List

| Item No. | Description | QTY |
|-----------------|----------------------------|------------|
| 1 | Remote Cable Switch, 7" | 1 |
| 2 | Loop Tape | 1 |
| 3 | Battery Cap | 1 |
| 4 | Strap, Battery Cap | 1 |
| 5 | Bag, Textile | 1 |
| 6 | Assy, DBAL-I ² | 1 |
| 7 | Safety Screw, Hexagon Head | 1 |
| 8 | O-Ring | 1 |
| 9 | Assembly, Dust Cover, Clam | 1 |
| 10 | Assembly, 80° Diffuser | 1 |



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