## **BIREFRINGENT WEDGE**

A birefringent wedge divides a light beam into two orthogonally polarized beams with polarization parallel to the optical axis by a larger angle. Birefringent wedges are often made of YVO4 or LiNbO3, and are widely used in fiber-optic devices such as isolators and circulators. Coherent offers superior-quality YVO4 and LiNbO3 birefringent wedges for a variety of applications.



## **APPLICATIONS**

- WSS
- Isolators
- PBC
- Wollaston prisms



## **Common Specifications**

Material	YVO4 LiNbO3
Typical Dimension	1 x 1 mm, 1.25 x 1.25 mm
O. A. Orientation Tolerance	+/- 0.1°
Flatness	λ/10 @632.8 nm
Wavefront Distortion	λ/10 @632.8 nm
Surface Quality	(scratch/dig) better than 10-5
AR Coating	R<0.20% @λc+/-40 nm, λc = 1310, 1550 nm

Other sizes, coatings, and orientations of optical axis are available upon request.

## **Dimensions**



