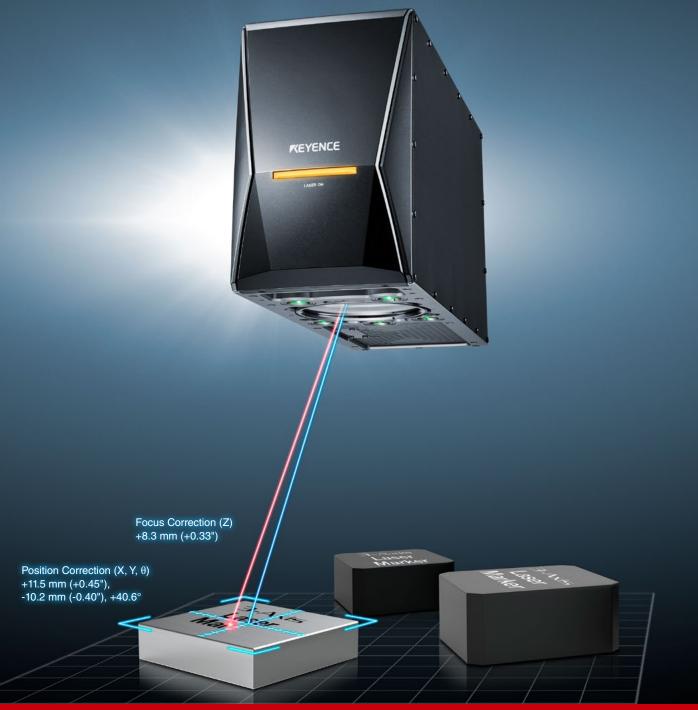


3-Axis Hybrid Laser Marker

MD-X Series

World's Smartest Laser Marker



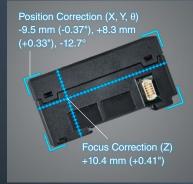


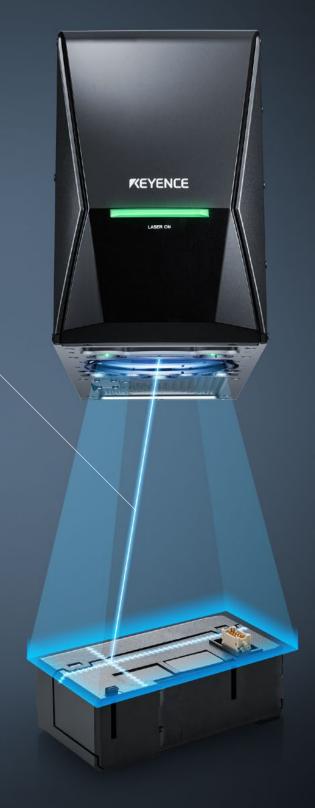
Improve the entire marking process

Detects and Automatically Corrects Distance and Position

Full-Field Auto-Focus

The built-in distance sensor and camera track positional and focal deviation of the target. These features prevent printing defects due to changes in part position, which can be a problem when laser marking.





Marking and Inspection with a Single Unit

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3-Axis Hybrid Laser Marker MD-X Series

High Quality, High Output, Long Service Life

The MD-X Series provides both the high beam quality of YVO₄ lasers and the high output of fiber lasers. Clear and fast marking on both resin and metal can be performed reliably for a long period of time.

Print Inspection, Predictive Maintenance

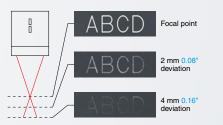
Inspections can be performed after marking, without the need for external equipment. Predictive maintenance of the laser marking process is achieved by monitoring both the laser power and <u>flaws on the lens.</u>



Elimination of Marking Defects Focused on Solving the Industry's Biggest Challenge

The Importance of Focusing

Laser markers use a lens to focus light to perform marking and processing. Deviation in the focal point may cause blurred or missing markings. Focusing is a prerequisite for stable marking.



2014 3rd Generation Origin Auto-Focus

A built-in camera was added to automate focusing at the center of the area (the origin of the marking area).

1998 1st Generation Fixed Focal Distance

In order to focus, it was necessary to actually measure the distance from the head to the marking surface. It was then necessary to physically adjust the position of the jig and head to match the height of the target.



2007 2nd Generation Variable Focal Distance

A built-in Z scanner allowed the focal distance to be set by the user. However, since there was no auto-focus feature, the actual values had to be input manually.

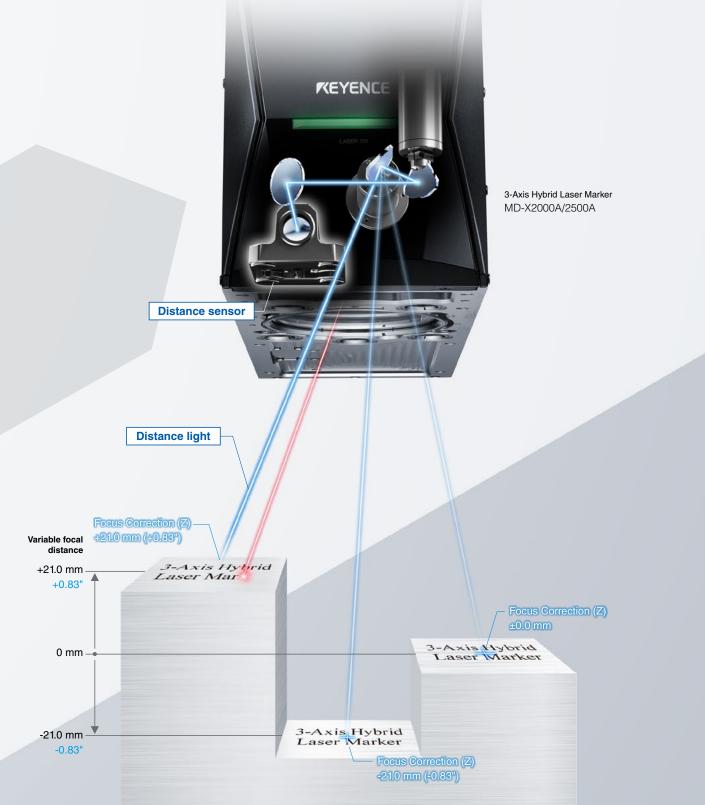




NEW 4th Generation

Focus Anywhere, with Full-Field Auto-Focus

A built-in distance sensor constantly measures the distance to the marking location and focuses on that location. By tracking unintentional deviation in the height or inclination of the target, marking defects can be prevented over the entire marking area.



Auto-Focus at each Marking Location

Z Tracking Function

Conventional marking (focal point deviation)

MD-X marking (auto-focus)

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Distance sensor



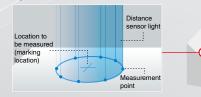


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Unlike conventional laser markers in which the focal distance is fixed, the built-in distance sensor measures each marking location. This maintains high marking quality over the entire marking area.

Scanning measurement method

The distance sensor takes measurements in an elliptical pattern on the part. This ensures stable distance measurement regardless of surface reflection or condition.



Tilt correction is possible

Distances can be measured at multiple points in the area to be marked to calculate and correct the tilt angle.

> Measurement point
> Angle correction for marking settings

Z Tracking Examples

Tilt Correction for Large Products

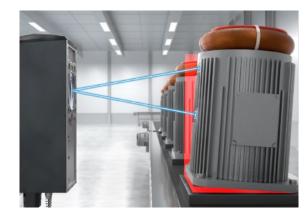
Problems with conventional methods

Slight tilting during mounting caused a deviation in focal distance, which led to irregularities in marking.

Resolved with MD-X

The MD-X accounts for tilt of the target, enabling stable marking.





Correct Deviations from Robotic Placement

Problems with conventional methods

Deviation when chucking would cause a deviation in focal distance, which led to blurred marking.

Resolved with MD-X

The focal distance to the marking location is measured and corrected before marking.





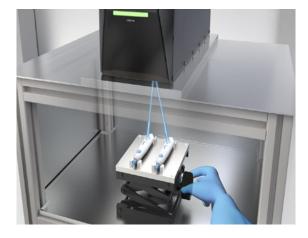
Eliminate Manual Height Adjustment

Problems with conventional methods

It was necessary to physically adjust the height each time the target for marking changed.

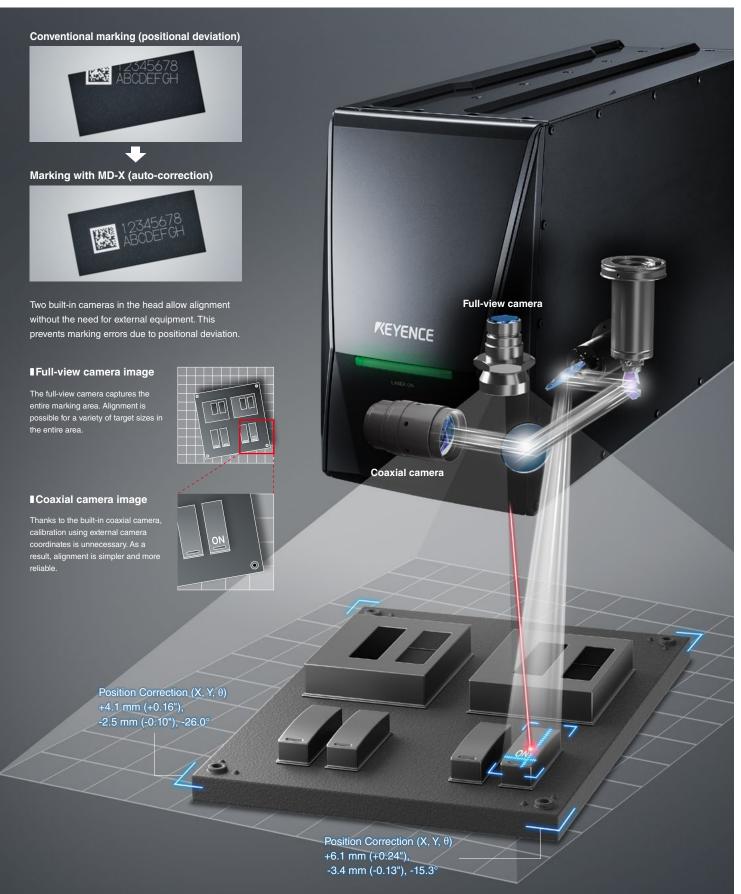
Resolved with MD-X

Since the laser marker focuses itself, troublesome adjustments and changeovers are not required.



Built-In Vision for Position Alignment

| XY Tracking Function



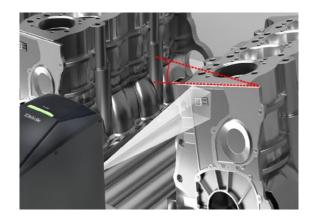
Correct Deviations from Product Handling

Problems with conventional methods

Positional deviation during mounting resulted in positional deviation when marking.

Resolved with MD-X

Deviation in the target is identified and automatically corrected, enabling stable marking.



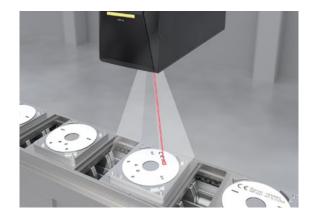
Easy Integration with Automatic Alignment

Problems with conventional methods

When positioning was difficult, such as with circular products, fine adjustment of the jig and installation of an external camera were necessary.

Resolved with MD-X

The MD-X adjusts the position before marking, which contributes to reduced costs for jigs and external devices.



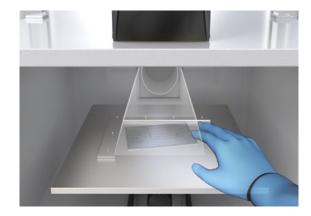
Eliminate Need for Fixturing

Problems with conventional methods

Marking defects occurred due to manual placement errors and jig deviations.

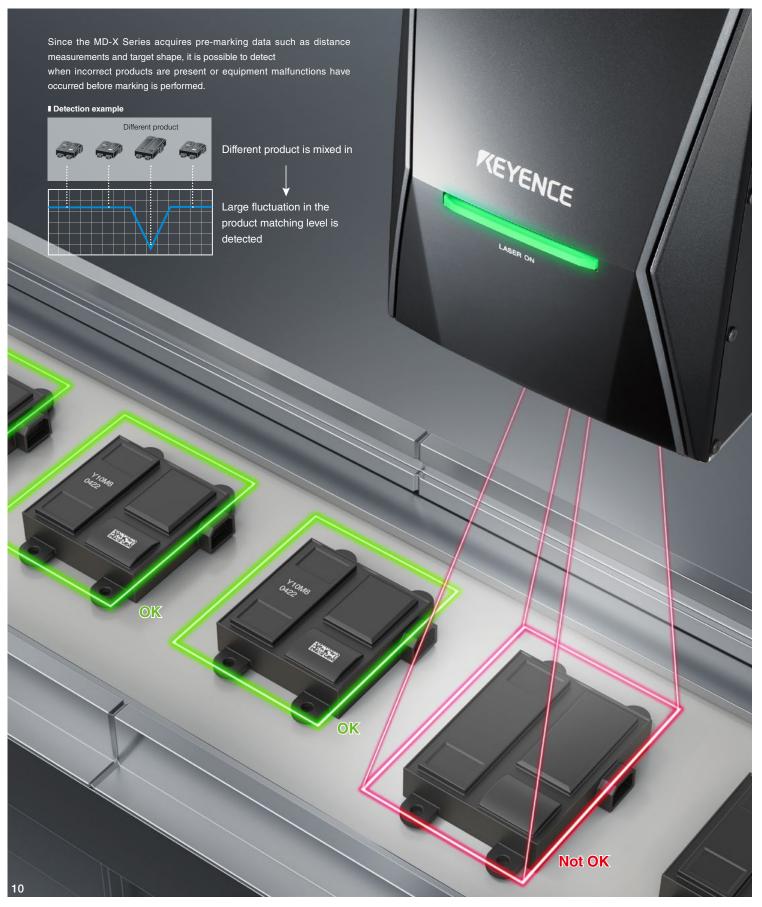
Resolved with MD-X

Marking is possible simply by placing the target in the marking area. Fine manual alignment and jig adjustments are not required.



Eliminate Incorrect Marking

A judgment function that uses image results to prevent incorrect marking before it occurs



Identification of different product types

Problems with conventional methods

There have been cases in which an operator accidentally places the wrong product on the line, resulting in scrap.

Resolved with MD-X

Differences in the product's shape are recognized, and the incorrect product is detected before marking.



Product presence/absence detection

Problems with conventional methods

In order to confirm whether products have been set in the fixture correctly, an external sensor and program were necessary.

Resolved with MD-X

Using the built-in distance sensor, the laser marker can check for the presence or absence of the product and determine whether or not it is seated correctly in the fixture.







Prevent marking the same product twice

Problems with conventional methods

There have been cases in which a product has been marked multiple times due to problems with repeated marking start signals.

Resolved with MD-X

The built-in camera can capture a pre-marking image of the target and be used to determine whether or not it has already been marked.

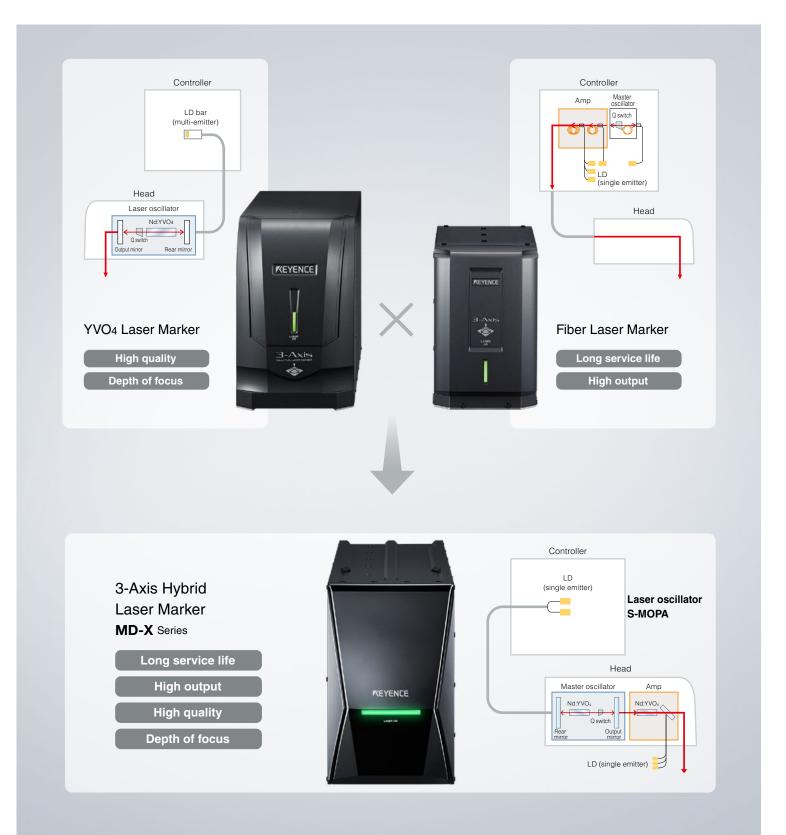






High Quality × High Output × Long Service Life

Hybrid Laser Oscillator that Combines the Advantages of YVO4 and Fiber



$YVO_4 \times Fiber = Hybrid$

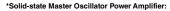
Built-In S-MOPA Laser Oscillator*

This unique laser oscillation method combines the best attributes of YVO_4 and fiber laser markers. Years of KEYENCE laser development in solid state and fiber oscillators has led to the invention of the hybrid oscillator powering our new MD-X Series laser marker.

Printing examples



Optimal marking conditions can be achieved for a variety of targets, such as delicate marking on resin and high-output marking on metal.



YVO₄

High-quality

Focus on peak

marking

power

High output is achieved by combining the amplifier technology used in fiber lasers with the high quality beam of the YVO4 laser oscillator. The LD (laser diode), which serves as the light source, uses a single emitter with high heat dissipation to achieve a longer service life.

Hvbrid

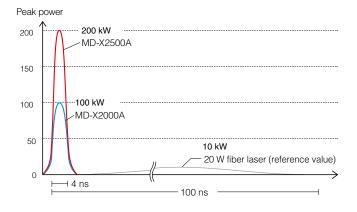
Fiber

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High 200 kW Peak Power & Short-Pulse Laser

The peak power of the MD-X Series is 200 kW, twice that of a conventional YVO4 laser.

A high-output, short-pulse laser with a minimum pulse duration of 4 ns minimizes thermal damage to the target. It is ideal for applications where users want to minimize the effects of heat, such as contrast marking on resin.



MD-X Series

2 mm 0.08

deviation

3 mm 0.12

deviation

4 mm 0.16"

deviation

Grade: A

Grado: E

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Maintain Greater Depth of Focus

The MD-X Series has a depth of focus that is characteristic of YVO_4 laser oscillators. Depth of focus is an important factor for basic performance in order to achieve and maintain marking quality. When used in combination with the Z tracking function, this also results in high tolerance to height deviation.

In focus In focus In mo.04* deviation Grade: A Grade: A Grade: A Grade: A Grade: A In focus In f

2 mm 0.08° Illegible deviation

4 mm 0.16

deviation

KEYENCE fiber laser marker

3 mm 0.12* Illegible deviation

Illegible

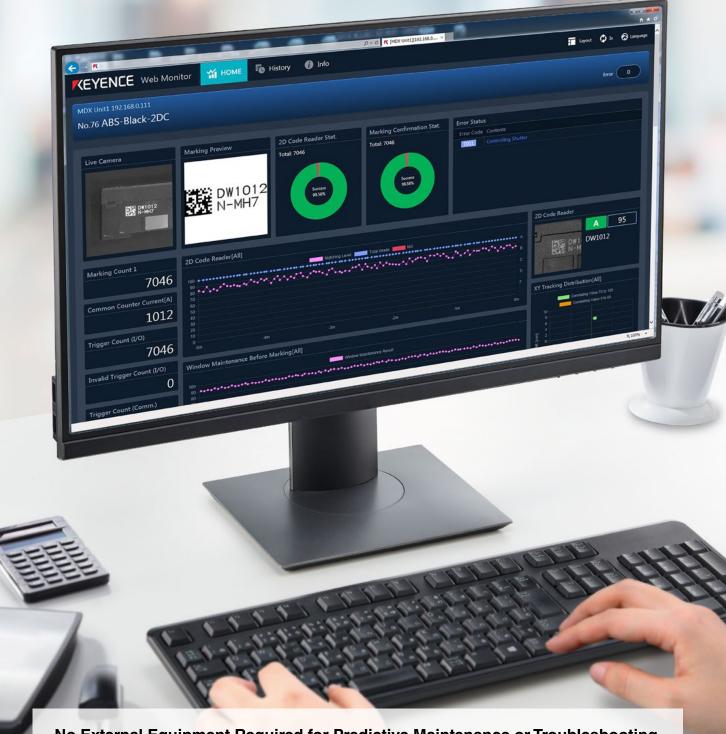
Covers the advantages of conventional YVO4 laser markers and fiber laser markers (compared to the conventional KEYENCE model)

High-speed marking Focus on output



Understand Your Marking Process through Data

Web Monitoring Function



No External Equipment Required for Predictive Maintenance or Troubleshooting

Various factors must be considered the cause of marking defects, from target position deviation, to lens flaws, to drops in output power. Marking defects that occurred suddenly were difficult to reproduce, and it was often difficult to identify the cause. The MD-X Series offers a wide range of monitoring functions, from predictive maintenance to cause analysis when a marking defect occurs, without the need for external equipment. By using the Web Monitoring function, the status of the marking process can be obtained accurately, even from a remote location.

Lens Inspection

A built-in sensor monitors flaws on the laser lens and outputs a warning if the threshold is exceeded. This prevents marking defects from occurring due to the laser beam being blocked.



Power Monitor

The head is equipped with a built-in thermopile power monitor, which allows for easy, reliable, and quick output management, the most important part of laser marker equipment maintenance.



■ Confirmation of 2D Code Quality

The contents of a marked code can be read by the built-in 2D code reader, then verified in accordance with marking quality standards.



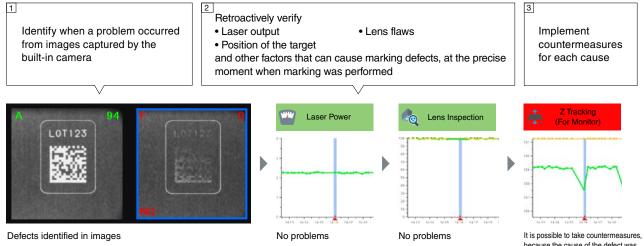
Marking Confirmation

The built-in camera captures an image of the target before and after marking. The images are then compared and checked for differences in contrast to identify missing markings.



■ Diagnostic Tools

In the unlikely event of a marking defect, these tools can be used to analyze the cause and implement countermeasures.



because the cause of the defect was found to be from misalignment.

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Predictive Maintenance and Troubleshooting Examples

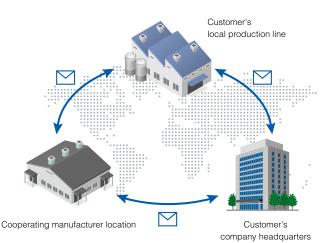
Check the Status of a Laser Marker from the Office



Easily Obtain Device Information Even When Problems Occur Overseas

Even if a problem occurs with a laser marker that is used overseas, the cause and solution can be easily grasped by obtaining the device information.

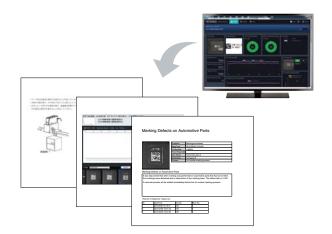
Problems with language, knowledge, and experience, make it difficult to accurately understand the content of problems that occurred at overseas sites with conventional laser markers.



Easily Report on Causes and Solutions

In the unlikely event that a problem occurs during the marking process, it is common practice to summarize the causes and solutions in a report in order to prevent recurrence.

The marking diagnostic tool has a report function that can easily output symptoms, causes, and solutions in PDF or Excel format.



Prevent Problems Due to Operator Error

Limits can be placed on operator's access which can prevent unintentional errors.

(Access level function)

Since the setting change history can be checked, it is easy to determine whether or not the settings change was the cause of a problem. (Change history function)

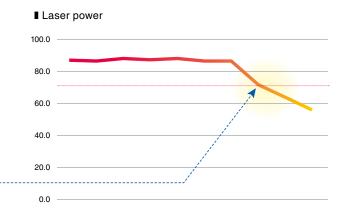
	Manager	Operator	Viewing only
User management	\checkmark		
Equipment settings	\checkmark		
Maintenance	\checkmark		
Job management	\checkmark		
Change marking conditions	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Change marking contents	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Job switching	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Trigger	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Viewing	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Monitor Trends and Make Maintenance Plans

The most important thing to avoid when maintaining equipment is sudden, unexpected problems. Since the internal state can be managed at all times, it is easy to make a maintenance plan. By monitoring lens contamination and laser power trends, the best timing for maintenance and cleaning can be determined.

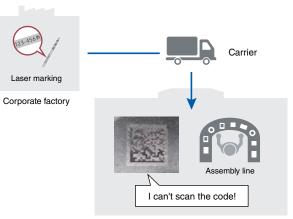


If the laser power falls below this level, I'll calibrate the power output.



Save Image Data to Verify Non-Defective Parts

In some cases, although there was no problem immediately after laser marking, there were marking flaws due to subsequent processes. In such cases, the marked area was damaged during transportation or assembly. Since an image of the results can be saved when marking is performed, it is easy to determine whether the cause of the marking flaw occurred during an in-house process or during a post process.



Delivery destination

Marking Builder Plus

Redesigned interface to easily achieve high performance. Even beginners can quickly go from concept to marking in minutes.

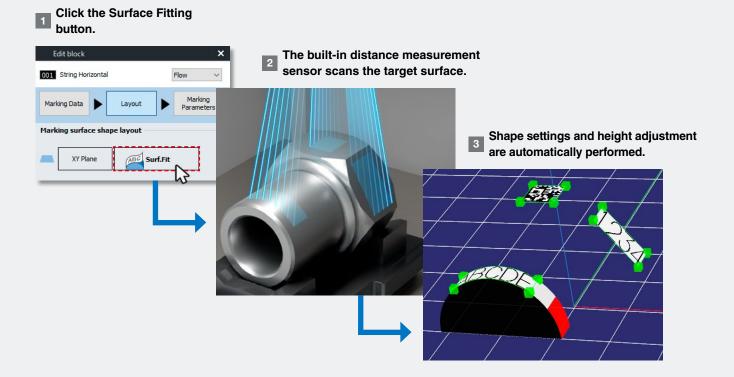
Easy Shape Settings

Surface Fitting Function

Scanning of marking location with built-in distance measurement sensor.

The settings for markings on cylinders and sloped surfaces, which used to be complicated, can be completed with a single click.

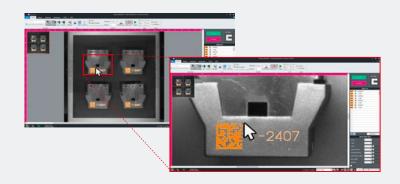
Marking Builder Plus



Easy Alignment

Built-In Camera

Alignment is possible by imaging the actual target with the built-in camera. Positioning can be performed by dragging and dropping, eliminating the need for complicated coordinate adjustments.



Easy Marking

Print Conditions Navigation Function

1 Select a Material		2 Select a Print Image	→ Configuration Complete
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Suitable printing conditions can be set in as little as two steps.

Draw out the best of the MDX series' printing performance by simply selecting a print image for more than 30 different materials. The complicated condition settings that were required before are no longer necessary.

You can select the optimal print conditions

Sample Marking Function

From a list of printing results divided into detailed parameters. Combined with the print conditions navigation function, anybody can set the optimal print conditions in no time at all.

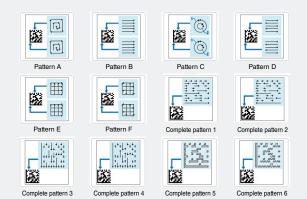


Find optimal conditions quickly

Also comes with other convenient functions to optimize print conditions and layout

2D Code Pattern Selection

Users can select the 2D code marking pattern from multiple patterns to obtain optimal results for the code reader being used, marking size, and target material.



Printer Driver Function

All Excel/Word/PDF/Image files can be imported directly into the laser marker software. There is no need to convert and edit the data, so laser marking can be performed as easily as printing on an office printer.



Directly capture all data



Robust Design for Industrial Use

The MD-X series was designed to maintain high performance on actual production lines.

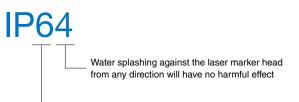


IP64 Marking Head

A unique airtight seal effectively protects the optics and internal components. The MD-X series provides environmental resistance against dust, dirt and water droplets, allowing stable operation even in extreme environments.

Lens Protection Filter

Since a dirty or scratched lens will lead to reduced marking quality, it is crucial to keep the lens free of flaws. The MD-X series comes with a lens protection filter already installed, making cleaning and onsite replacement easier than ever.



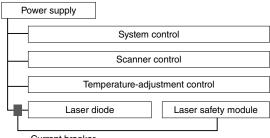


All IP tests are carried out according to regulations within specified times, and thus are not guaranteed for long periods.



ISO13849-1 Compliant

An optional laser safety module is available to provide support for ISO13849-1. By attaching the module to the controller, it acts as a safety breaker which shuts off the power supply to the laser unit.



On-Board Industrial Communication

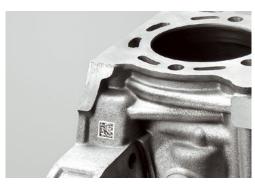
On-board Industrial communication protocols, such as EtherNet/IP[®], PROFINET, and OPC UA, allow for easy integration with various devices. Users can operate and check the status of the on-site equipment from a remote location, and save the communication history without the need for external devices.

EtherNet/IP

Application Examples

High-speed, high-quality marking is possible on both metals and resins. Free marking and processing tests are available from your local KEYENCE office.

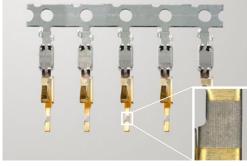
Examples of Metal Marking and Processing



White + Black-oxidized marking: Aluminum casting



Damageless marking: Carbide tool



Thin film processing: Metal plated connectors

Marking Types

Examples of Resin Marking and Processing



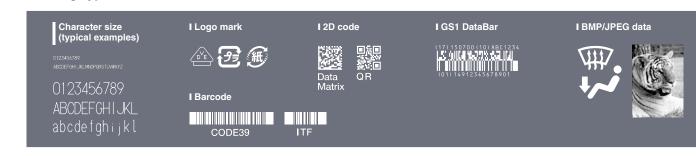
Contrast marking: Resin case

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	RS1107	RS1107	
	R05210	R05210	
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Damageless marking: Mold package



Coating removal: Switches for automotive instrument panels

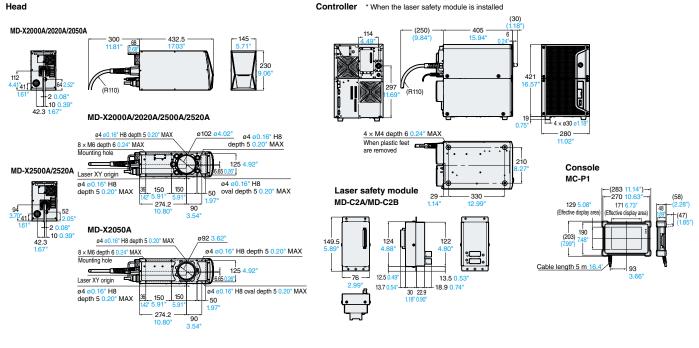






		25	W	13 W		
		Standard area	Wide area	Standard area	Wide area	Focused spot
Model	Marking unit (controller + head)	MD-X2500A	MD-X2520A	MD-X2000A	MD-X2020A	MD-X2050A
Marking	Output at contact point	25	W		13W	
aser	Q-switch frequency	CW (continuous wave), 1 to 400 kHz				
	Marking laser		YVO ₄ la	aser 1064 nm, Class 4 Laser P	roduct ^{*1}	
aser	Distance laser	Semi	conductor laser 683 nm Outpu	it: 5.0 mW Class 3R laser pro	duct '1	-
lass	Guide laser/ Distance pointer	Semiconductor laser 655 nm Output: 1.0 mW Class 2 laser product "				
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Marking	XY scanner	XYZ 3-Axis simultaneous scanning method				
nethod	Z scanner			Digital galvo scanner Linear motor		
	3D Marking			MD-AD-3D		
	X/Y position tracking			MD-AD-3D MD-AD-XYT		-
	Automatic focus			MD-AD-XTT		-
Optional	Built-in 2D code reader			(Supported standard ISO/IEC	TR 20158 (AIM DRM-1-2006))	-
unctions	HMI console		MD-AD-2DR/MD-AD-2DRA	MC-P1	TH 29136 (AIM DF M-1-2000))	
	Laser safety module			MD-C2A/MD-C2B		
	Software (sold separately)			rking Builder Plus, Marking D	ingpostic Tool)	
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Built-In	Image sensor		См	OS image sensor (2.3 megapi	xeis)	1 (
Camera	No. equipped			2 (full-field; coaxial)		1 (coaxial)
	Built-in light source			High-intensity green LED		-
Built-in pow				Thermopile		
_ogging fun					g information, built-in camera ir	
Predictive m	aintenance function	Marking		· · ·	r marking, web monitor, lens ins	pection
	Font	KEYENCE original font, user font, TrueType font, OpenType font ¹⁴				
	Barcode			•	-A/UPC-E/CODE93/GS1 DataBa	r
Character	2D code		QR code, micro	QR code, DataMatrix (ECC200	/GS1 DataMatrix)	
type	Logo image			DXF/BMP/JPEG/PNG/TIFF		
	Shape			Blopes, Cylinders, Cones, Sph		
	Workpiece style			oving marking (constant, enco		
nput/output	t		Terminal block I/O, N	MIL connector I/O, laser safety	module control I/O ⁶	
nterface			RS-232C/U	SB2.0/Ethernet (100BASE-TX/	10BASE-T) ^{'7}	
-	id cable length			4.3 ±0.1 m 14.1' ±0.3'		
Rated voltag	je	100 to 240 VAC	±10% 50/60 Hz		100 to 240 VAC ±10% 50/60 Hz	
· · ·	VA)/average (W))	850	/ 290		700 / 320	
Enclosure rating (marking head)			IP64			
	Ambient temperature for transport/storage	-10 to 60°C 14 to 140°F (no freezing)				
Environmental	Ambient temperature for usage	0 to 40°C 32 to 104°F				
esistance	Ambient humidity for transport/storage	- Up to 85% RH (no condensation)				
	Ambient humidity for usage					
	Controller	23.0 kg 50.71 lb				
Weight	Marking head	13.8 kg 30.42 lb 12.6 kg 27.78 lb				
	Console	2.0 kg 4.41 lb				
Applicable r	regulations			Directive)/EN standards (EN610	10-1, EN60825-1, EN62471, EN550 gulations (FCC Part 15B, ICES-00	

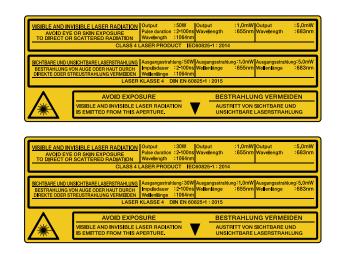
*1 The laser classification for FDA (CDRH) is implemented based on IEC60825-1 in accordance with the requirements of Laser Notice No.50. *2 Languages:English/Japanese/Simplified Chinese/Traditional Chinese/ German/Korean/French/Spanish/Thal/Italian. *3 When using MD-AD-ZT. *4 The only TrueType and OpenType fonts supported are those fonts whose *Font embeddability* property is set to *Installable* or *Editable.* This property can be viewed from the Properties dialog boxes of the fonts shown on the [Fonts] screen in [Control Panel]. *5 When using MD-AD-3D. *6 Only when the laser safety module (MD-C2A/ MD-C2B) is installed. *7 The USB ports are for USB memory/USB mouse/Darcode reader (A connector) and for connecting to a PC with Marking Builder Plus or ActiveX (B connector). The Ethernet port supports communication to a PC with Marking Builder Plus (ActiveX), Operation Monitor, and the diagnostic tool; TCP/IP communication; PROFINET; EtherNet/IP[®]; the FTP client; and the OPC UA server.



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Be sure to read the manual and fully understand its contents before using the product.

 Do not allow your eyes or skin to be exposed to a directly irradiated laser beam or a diffused reflection laser beam.



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