

## 3.18mm Diameter, Ruby Ball Lens



Sapphire and Ruby Ball Lenses

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#### General

Ball Lens **Type:**

#### Physical & Mechanical Properties

3.18 **Diameter (mm):**

3.98 **Specific Gravity (g/cm<sup>3</sup>):**

**Compressive Strength (psi):**

300,000

Diameter Tolerance ( $\mu\text{m}$ ):

$\pm 2.54$

## Optical Properties

Substrate:

Ruby Doped Sapphire ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ )

Coating:

Uncoated

Wavelength Range (nm):

600 - 5500

Index of Refraction ( $n_d$ ):

1.77

Sphericity ( $\mu\text{m}$ ):

0.625

Wavelength Range ( $\mu\text{m}$ ):

0.6 - 5.5

## Material Properties

Coefficient of Thermal Expansion CTE ( $10^{-6}/^\circ\text{C}$ ):

8.4

Porosity (%):

0.00

## Environmental & Durability Factors

Melting Temperature ( $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

2053.00

## Regulatory Compliance

RoHS 2015:

Compliant

Certificate of Conformance:

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Reach 247:

Compliant

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- Tight tolerances and complex geometries
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## Product Details

- Excellent for Severe Environments
- High Strength and Hardness
- High Chemical Stability
- [Sapphire and Ruby Half-Ball Lenses](#) Also Available

Sapphire and Ruby Ball Lenses are both made from  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ . Ruby or Ruby-Doped sapphire owes its red color to traces of chromium oxide (chromium content for ruby balls is typically  $>0.5\%$ ). While their physical and chemical properties are similar, Sapphire has superior optical transmission. Ruby Ball Lenses are easier to see and handle for physical applications. Sapphire and Ruby Ball Lenses are ideal for improving signal coupling between fibers, emitters, and detectors. They are also used in endoscopy, bar code scanning, ball pre-forms for aspheric lenses, and sensor applications. [Sapphire and Ruby Half-Ball Lenses](#) are also available.

For general information about ball lens, as well as how to calculate the NA and Focal Length, view [Understanding Ball Lenses](#).