# POLARIZATION MANAGEMENT MODULES

# High-Speed Polarization State Generator – PolaPal™

General Photonics' high-speed polarization state generator (PSG) module provides the ability to generate 6 states of polarization (-45°, 0°, 45°, 90°, RHC & LHC) across the Poincaré Sphere in less than 250 µs, with an impressive repeatability of less than 0.1 degrees. In addition, it comes as a compact module ideal for integration into systems that require precise generation of these 6 polarization states or precise 90° polarization rotation. Applications include Mueller matrix-based measurements, polarization OTDR, performance monitoring, and swept frequency component measurement systems. The PSG is easily controlled with a 6-bit TTL signal either from a microcontroller or a computer.

# Specifications:

Wavelength Range <sup>1</sup>	1480 - 1620 nm
Maximum Optical Power	300 mW min.
Insertion Loss	1.0 dB typical
Insertion Loss Variation	0.1 dB max. for all SOP states
Wavelength Dependent Loss	0.3 dB typical across C band
Return Loss	55 dB min.
SOP Repeatability	± 0.1 degrees on Poincaré Sphere
Rotation Angle Wavelength Dependence	-0.068 deg./nm
Rotation Angle Temperature Dependence	0.1 deg./°C
Angle Between SOP States	90 ± 10 degrees on Poincaré Sphere
Transient Loss	0.6 dB per bit max.
Number of Control Bits	6
SOP Switching Speed	250 µs max.
Electrical Interface	10-pin digital port to accept any 6 bit TTL control
	signal, with +12VA power supply
Software	None
Operating Temperature	0 ~ 50 °C
Storage Temperature	-40 ~ 80 °C
Board Dimensions	135 (L) x 70 (W) x 23 (H) mm

Note: Values are referenced without connectors.

1. Calibrated over 1500 - 1580 nm, Please contact General Photonics for information on other wavelength options,

### Features:

- · Digitally Switched SOP
- · Switching Speed 250 µs or less
- · 0.1 degree SOP Repeatability
- · 6-bit TTL Control
- · Compact

#### Applications:

- · Polarization OTDR
- · Polarization Rotation
- Mueller Matrix-based Polarization Analysis
- · Swept-Frequency Measurement

## Ordering Information:



