

ICE Cube™

Moxtek's ICE Cube™ is optimized for use over a wide range of acceptance angles while maintaining color uniformity and image contrast in the visible wavelength ranges. The ICE Cube allows compact optical designs with reduced optical paths. Engineers are now able to design smaller systems while maintaining excellent optical performance. The ICE Cube can be optimized for high Index, Contrast, or Efficiency (ICE) and is a superior choice over MacNeille cube designs.

Features	Benefits
Embedded Wire-Grid Polarizer	Wide angle of incidence range
	Color uniformity over wide range of angles
	High contrast over wide range of angles
	High transmission over wide range of angles

### Applications

- Head-Mounted Display (HMD)
- Head-Up Display (HUD)
- 2D & 3D Projection Display
- Interferometry
- Medical/Dental Imaging

### Standard Product Options

Product Name	Description
OAS00070	1x1x1 Inch Cube (High Contrast PBS, optimized for large AOI)

Custom sizes and optimization are available. Please contact a sales representative for options and ordering details.

### General Specifications

*Operational Wavelength Range:* 400-700nm (typical average for azimuthal)

*Material Type:* N-BK7

*Dimensions:* 25.4mm x 25.4mm x 25.4mm

*AOI (Angle of Incidence):* Up to  $\pm 25^\circ$

*AR Coating:* R (avg) < 0.5% @ 400-700nm (cube faces)

*Maximum Temperature:* 90°C

*Surface Quality:* 40/20 Scratch - Dig

*Dimensional Tolerance:* +0.0mm/-0.25mm

*Clear Aperture:* > 90%

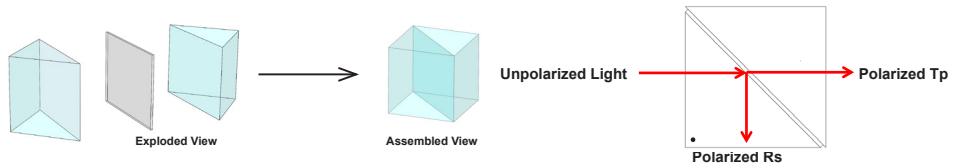
*Transmission Wavefront Distortion:* <  $\lambda/3$  (typical) @ 633nm

*Transmission Beam Deviation:* < 5 arc minutes

*Reflected Beam Deviation:* < 5 arc minutes

*RoHS Compliant:* Yes

### ICE Cube Assembly and Performance Details



The ICE Cube is assembled by embedding our polarizing beamsplitter plate between two AR coated glass prisms. These cubes are designed with Nanowire® grid structures centered on the hypotenuse of the ICE Cube.

ICE Cube Polarizing beamsplitters (PBS) separate natural light into two main orthogonal, linearly polarized components; the p-polarized light which is transmitted while the s-polarized light is reflected at a 90° degree angle. In principle, half of the incident light is reflected and the other half is transmitted.

## Typical Angle of Incidence (AOI) Performance

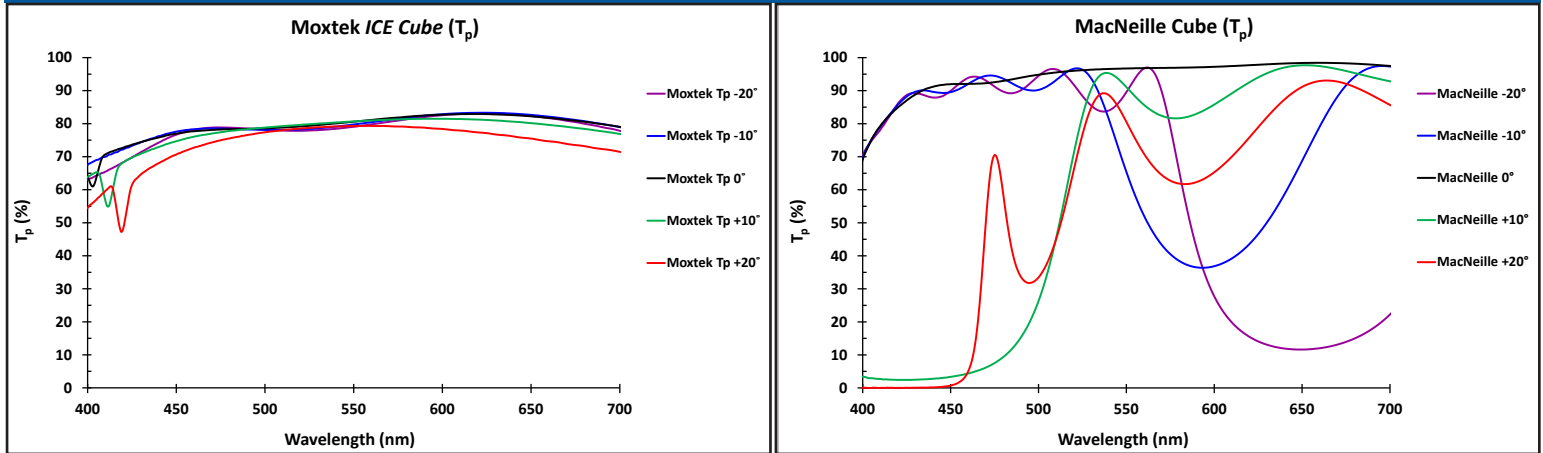
PBS ICE Cube Typical Performance	Azimuthal Angle of Incidence (AOI) - averaged 400-700nm					
	0°	±5°	±10°	±15°	±20°	±25°
T <sub>p</sub> %	78	78	77	76	75	73
T <sub>s</sub> %	0.016	0.015	0.015	0.017	0.020	0.025
R <sub>s</sub> %	84	84	84	84	84	84
R <sub>p</sub> %	1.7	1.6	2.2	3	4.3	6
Contrast Ratio (CR)	7,100	7,100	7,100	6,700	5,600	4,100
Efficiency (Eff) %	66.3	66.0	65.5	64.7	63.6	62.1

## Performance Specifications at Normal Incidence

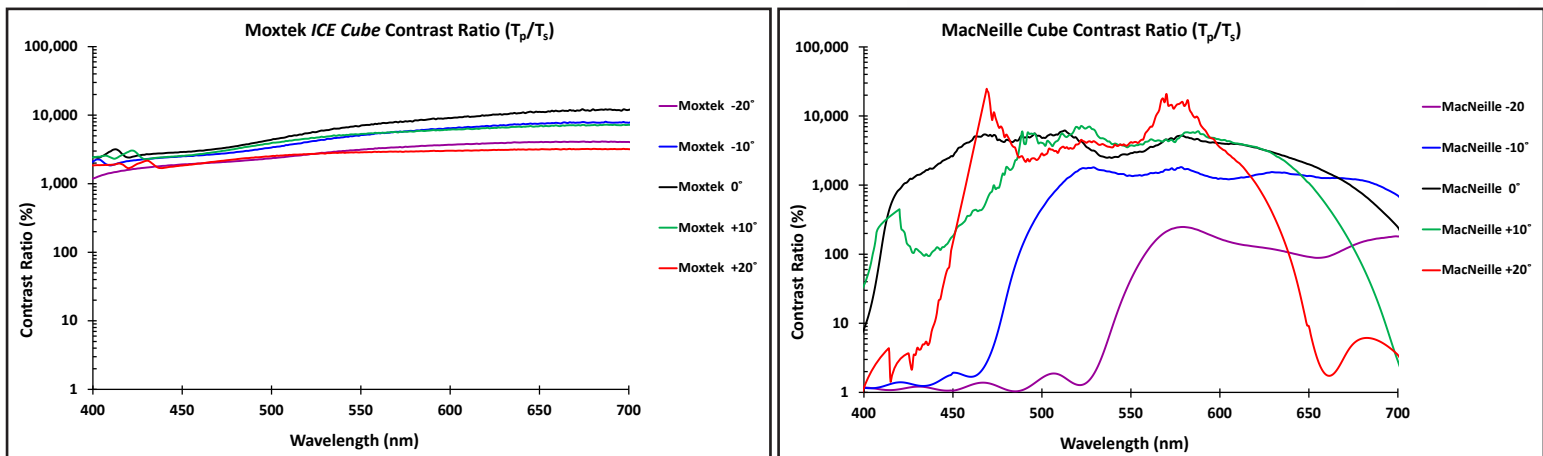
PBS ICE Cube Performance Specifications at 0° AOI	450nm			550nm			650nm		
	MIN T <sub>p</sub> (%)	MIN Eff (%)	CR (T <sub>p</sub> /T <sub>s</sub> )	MIN T <sub>p</sub> (%)	MIN Eff (%)	CR (T <sub>p</sub> /T <sub>s</sub> )	MIN T <sub>p</sub> (%)	MIN Eff (%)	CR (T <sub>p</sub> /T <sub>s</sub> )
OAS00070	72	62	1000	75	65	2000	78	65	3000

T<sub>p</sub>- Transmitted “p” polarization, T<sub>s</sub>- Transmitted “s” polarization, CR- Contrast ratio, T<sub>p</sub>/T<sub>s</sub>, Eff- Efficiency, T<sub>p</sub>\*R<sub>s</sub>

## ICE Cube and MacNeille Cube Performance Comparison Charts (typical average for azimuthal)



Typical Transmission (T<sub>p</sub>) Performance Curves



Typical Contrast Ratio (CR) Performance Curves



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