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## SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

### Overview

- Safety Instructions

### 1.1 Safety Instructions



**WARNING:** The Laser Diode Array Tool™ or LDAT™ can only be serviced by a qualified Barco Technician, other servicing may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

### Notice on Safety

The LDAT™ is built in accordance with the requirements of the international safety standards EN60950, UL 1950 and CSA C22.2 No.950, which are the safety standards of information technology equipment including electrical business equipment. These safety standards impose important requirements on the use of safety critical components, materials and isolation, in order to protect the user or operator against risk of electric shock and energy hazard, and having access to live parts. Safety standards also impose limits to the internal and external temperature rises, radiation levels, mechanical stability and strength, enclosure construction and protection against the risk of fire. Simulated single fault condition testing ensures the safety of the equipment to the user even when the equipment's normal operation fails.

### Operation Instructions

Before operating this equipment please read this manual thoroughly, and retain it for future reference.

### Installation and Service Instructions

Installation and Service adjustments should only be performed by qualified BARCO personnel or by authorized BARCO service dealers.



**WARNING:** Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified in this manual may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

## Safety Indications on the LDAT™

Following labels can be found on 1mW LDAT™:

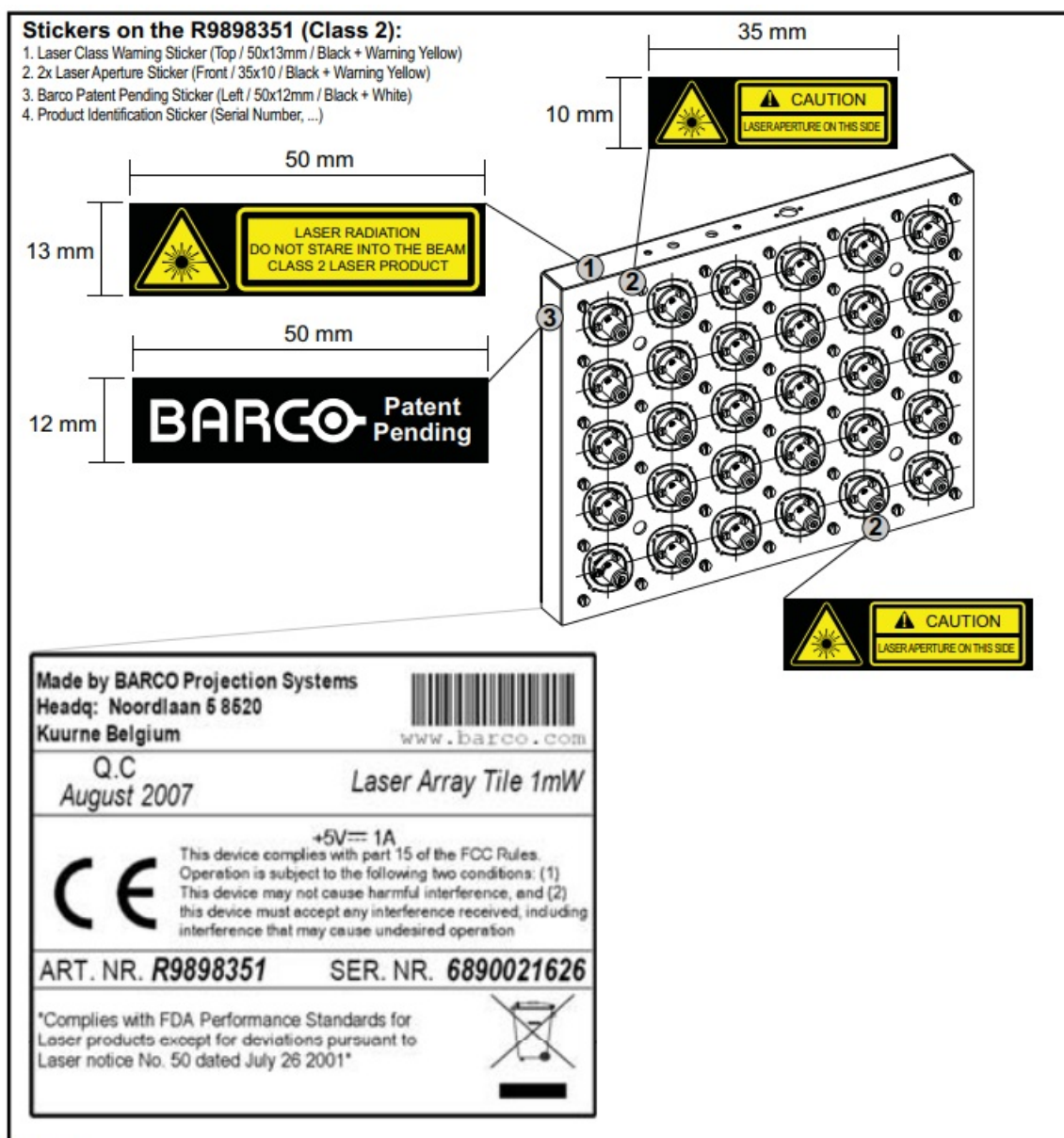


Image 1-1  
Safety Indications on the 1mW Laser Array (R9898351)

Following labels can be found on 3mW LDAT™:

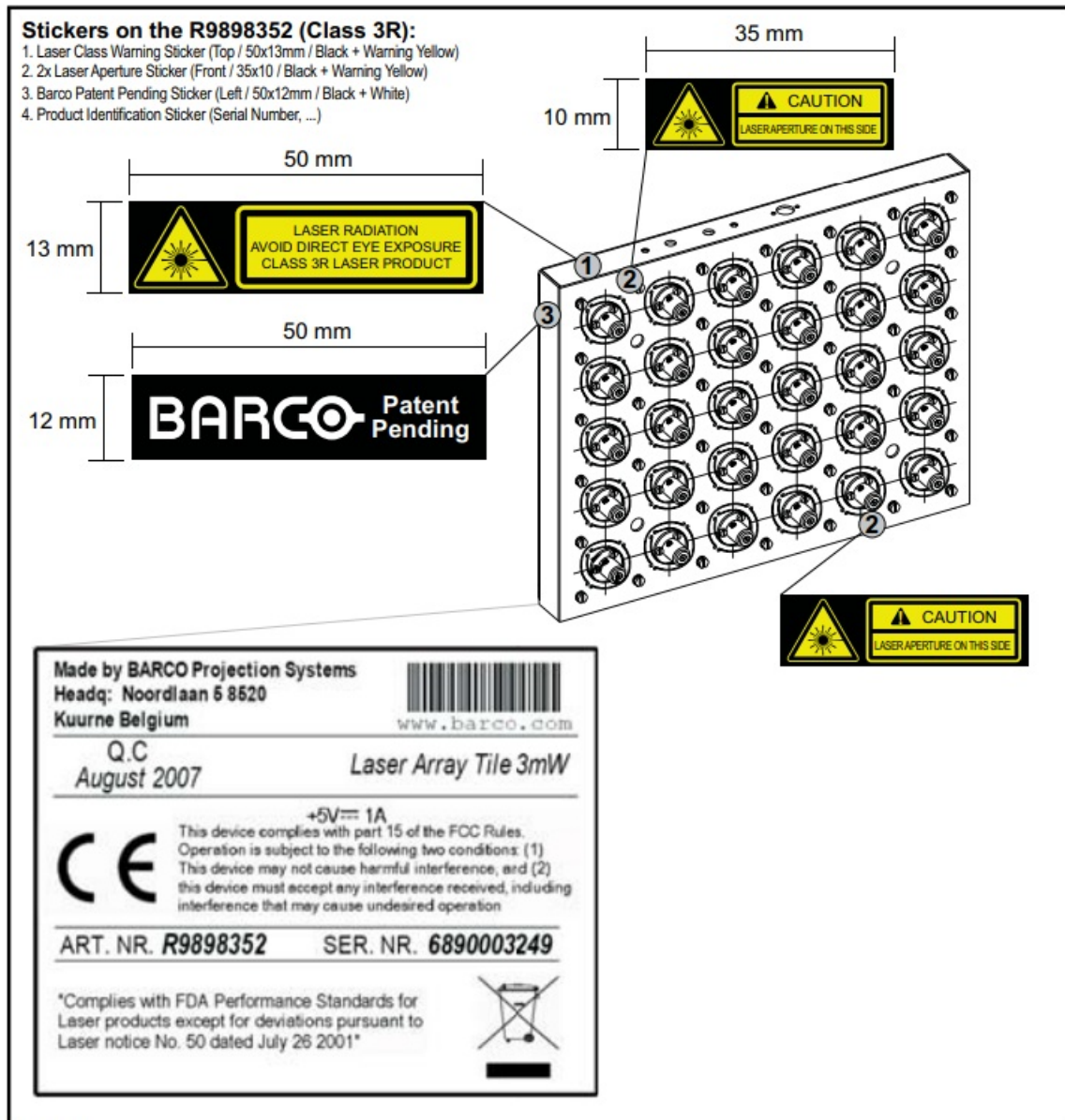


Image 1-2  
Safety Indications on the 3mW Laser Array (R9898352)

### Safety Warning on the LDAT™

For the 1mW Laser Array (R9898351): LASER RADIATION, AVOID DIRECT EYE EXPOSURE WITH THE LASER BEAMS, CLASS 2 LASER PRODUCT!

On the 3mW Laser Array (R9898352): LASER RADIATION, AVOID DIRECT EYE EXPOSURE WITH THE LASER BEAMS, CLASS 3R LASER PRODUCT!

### Laser Aperture Location

The lasers are located on the front side of the Laser Array.

### Laser Safety Class for the 1mW Laser Array (R9898351)

For the 1mW Laser Array (R9898351): The Laser Array is a Class 2 Laser Product.

For the 3mW Laser Array (R9898352): The Laser Array is a Class 3R Laser Product.

## INTRODUCTION

### 2.1 LDAT™

#### Why use the LDAT™?

In multi-channel projection displays, externally generated test pattern grids are generally used as references for mechanical and geometric (electrical) alignment of the many display channels. These test patterns are designed to represent the location of significant landmarks that may be pre-calculated positions, according to the type of screen (flat, curved, front, rear, etc.), eye-points and position of the projectors.

Many solutions exist to visualize the pre-calculated points to guide display alignment: one can mark “invisible” dots using UV-paint, one can use a slide-projector to project these points, one can install small LED’s or fiber optic



strands in the screen surface for

example. None of these solutions is ideal: they can't be used on all types of screens, they require a complicated setup which may include direct access to the screen surface, several are inaccurate and expensive to correct, and many can only be used in a dark environment.

The 'laser arrays' provide a method and device for generating a test pattern grid for being used as reference for aligning display channels without having the disadvantages of the solutions mentioned above.

The test pattern generator has a surface, each light source being moveably fixed on the surface and being adjustable such that a direction of light emitted from each light source can be set for directing light from the light source onto the screen.

## 2.2 Outline Lasers

### Why use Outline Lasers?

Some Laser Light sources of the Laser Array are configured as Outline Lasers.

These Outline Lasers will mark the Outline corners of the desired projection area on the screen.

The Outline Lasers are the reference points for the mechanical alignment of the projectors.

This illustration shows a single display channel for a Dome Simulator Setup with a 5×6 Laser Array, 5 laser light sources are configured as Outline Laser, these mark 4 corners + 1 centre point of the Angular Field Of View<sup>1</sup>

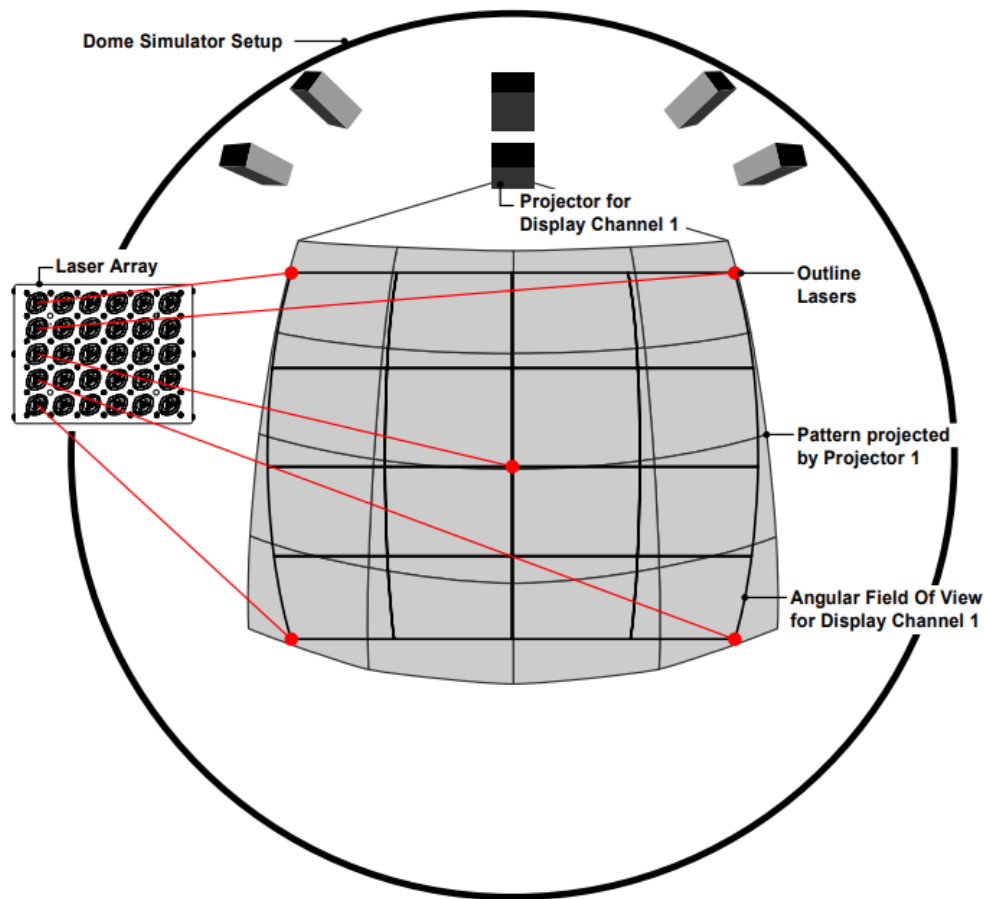


Image 2-1  
Outline Lasers

## 2.3 Warp Lasers

### Why use Warp Lasers?

The remaining laser light sources will be used as Warp Lasers.

These Warp Lasers will mark the geometric test pattern that is used for geometric (electrical) alignment of the projector.

This illustration shows a single display channel for a Dome Simulator Setup with a 5×6 Laser Array, 25 light sources are used to mark the Warp Test Pattern.

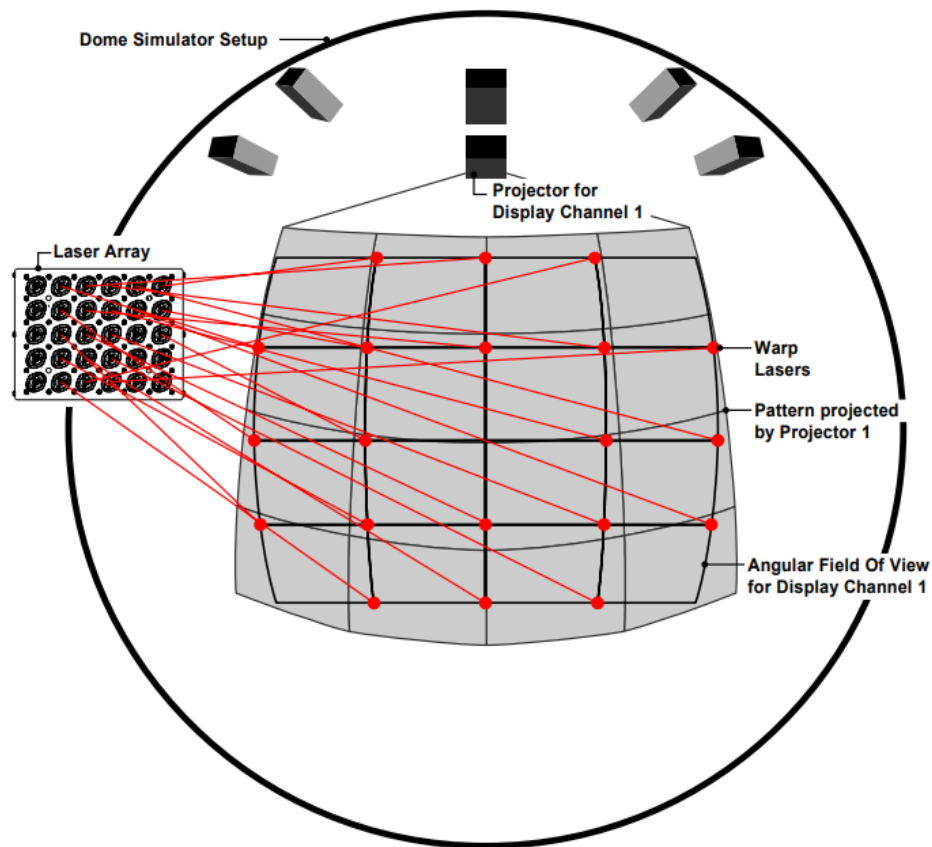


Image 2-2  
Lasers Outline

## CONTENT AND DIMENSIONS

### Overview

- Content Laser LDAT™
- Dimensions

### 3.1 Content Laser LDAT™ Content

- Laser Array 6×5 Matrix
- Power Supply
- Adjustment Tube

### 3.2 Dimensions LDAT™ Dimensions in mm (inch)

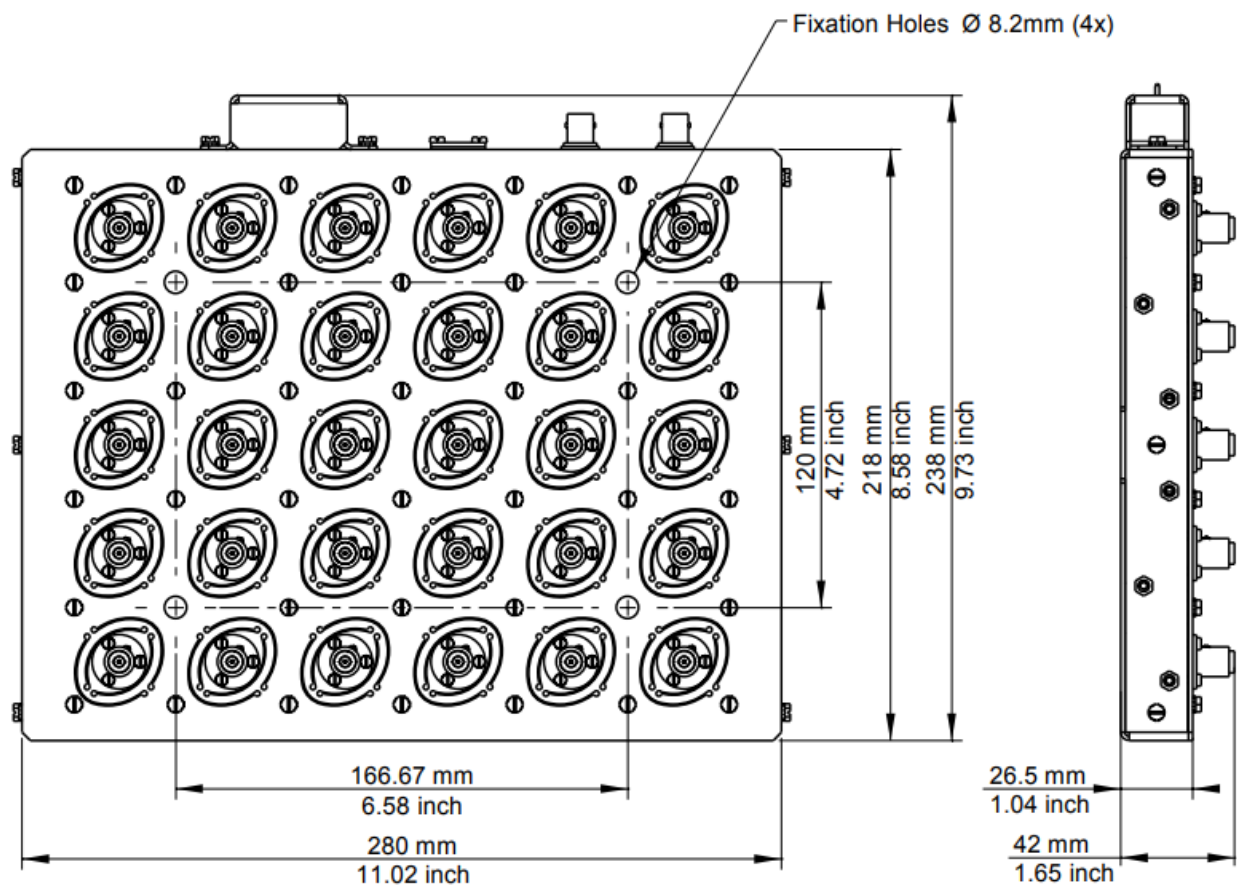


Image 3-1  
Laser Array Dimensions

## CONNECTIONS

### Overview

- Connections Overview
- LDAT™ Power Connection

### 4.1 Connections Overview

#### Connections Overview

The following table gives an overview of the connectors on the LDAT™:

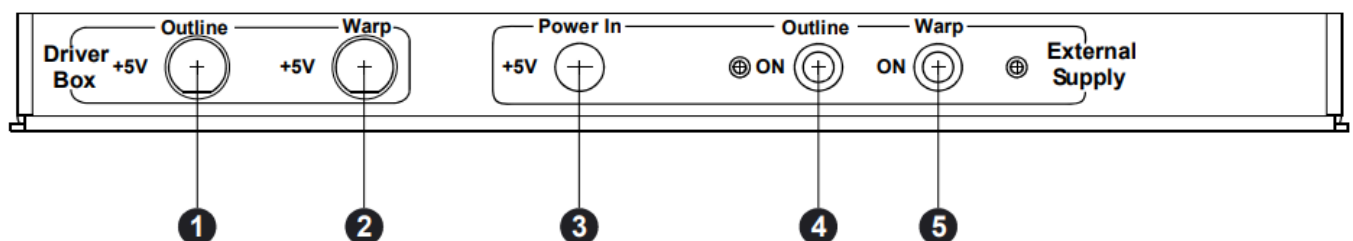



Image 4-1



1	Power Switch Outline Lasers
2	Power Switch Warp Lasers
3	+5 VDC Power Supply Connection
4	+5 VDC Power Supply Connection for the Outline Lasers (for future use)
5	+5 VDC Power Supply Connection for the Warp Lasers (for future use)

**Table 4-1**  
**Laser Array Connections Overview**

#### 4.2 LDAT™ Power Connection

 This connection is no longer needed when using an optional Driver Box, the Driver Box already contains a Power Supply for 3 Laser Arrays.

#### AC Power Supply Connection

1. Connect the Power Supply to the DC Power Connection on the Top Side of the LDAT™.

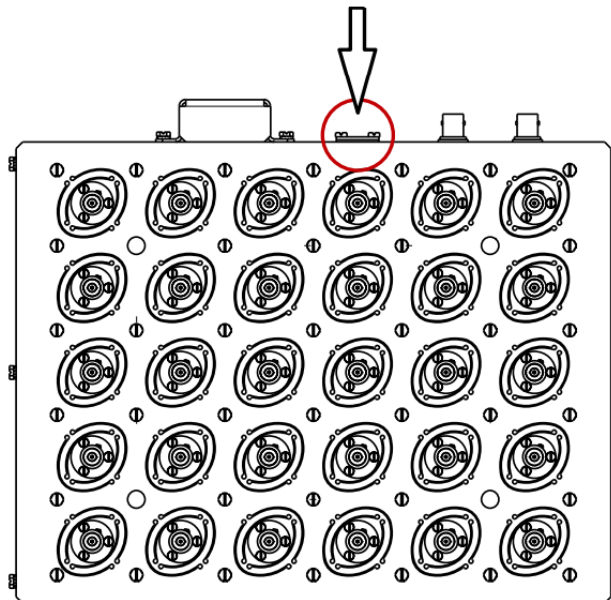


Image 4-2  
Connect the Power Supply to the DC Power Connection on the Top Side of the LDAT™

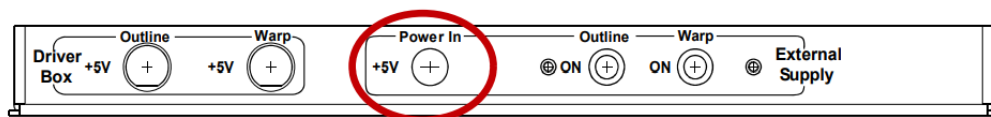


Image 4-3  
Connect the Power Supply to the DC Power Connection on the Top Side of the LDAT™

2. Connect the Power Supply to the wall outlet

## OPERATING THE LDAT™

### Overview

- Introduction
- Operation

## 5.1 Introduction

### Operating Modes of the LDAT™

The LDAT™ is operated using the switches located on top of the LDAT™ (These switches are protected by a switch cover).

## 5.2 Operation



**WARNING:** LASER RADIATION, AVOID DIRECT EYE EXPOSURE WITH THE LASER BEAMS, CLASS 2 or CLASS 3R LASER PRODUCT!

### Operation of the LDAT™

1. Loosen the 2 screws of the Cover on top of the LDAT™ and remove this cover.

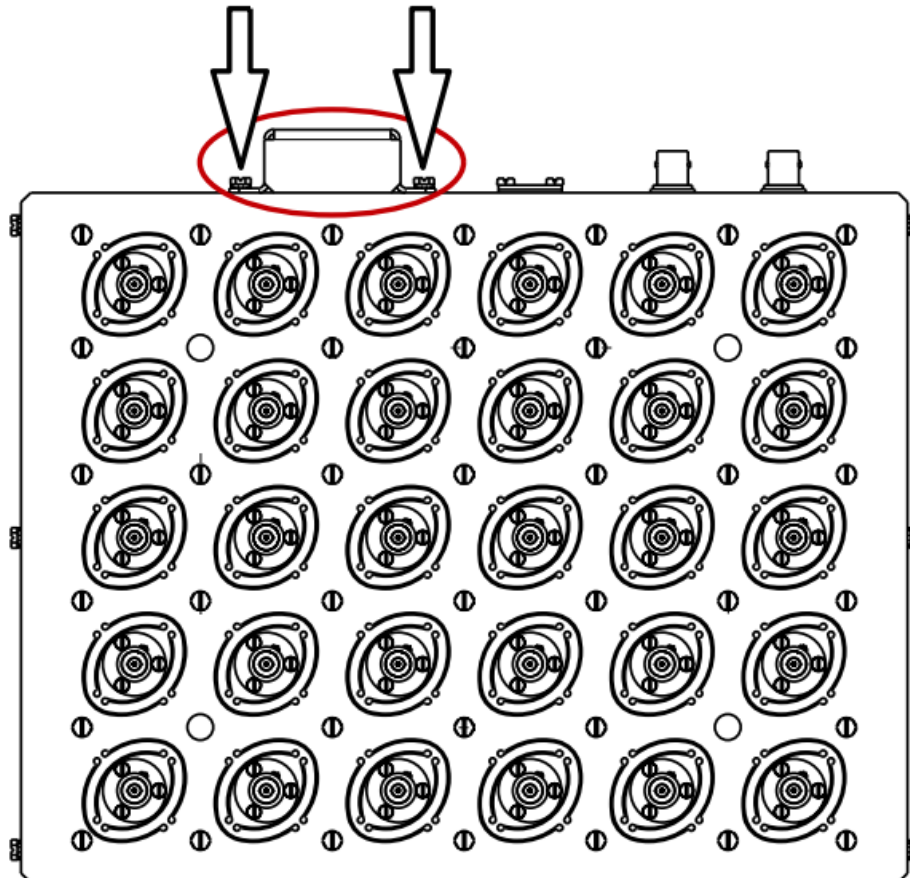


Image 5-1  
Loosen the 2 screw of the Cover on top of the LDAT™

The Power Switches are now accessible.

2. Use the switches to switch the Outline and/or Warp Lasers On/Off.

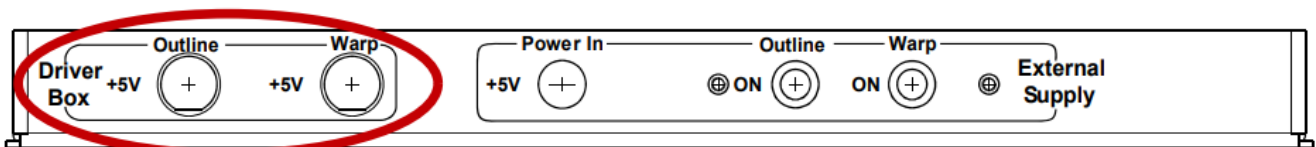


Image 5-2  
Use the switches to switch the Outline and/or Warp Lasers On/Off




Switching on the Outline Lasers will activate the 4 (+1 spare) laser pointers that indicate the outline corners of the non-distorted projected image.

Switching on the Warp Lasers will activate the 25 laser pointers used for geometry alignment of the projector.

## ADJUSTING THE LDAT™

### Overview

- Adjusting the position of the Laser Beam

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	<b>WARNING:</b> ALWAYS WEAR LASER SAFETY GLASSES WHEN ADJUSTING THE LASER ARRAY.
	<b>CAUTION:</b> When adjusting the positions of the Laser Beams, wear protective clothing to avoid direct skin exposure, e.g. by wearing gloves to protect the hands. This will also avoid reflections of the Laser Beam on e.g. wristwatches and/or jewelry.

### 6.1 Adjusting the position of the Laser Beam

#### Necessary tools

- Laser Safety Glasses
- Protective clothing to cover the skin, e.g. a pair of gloves
- Adjustment Tube

#### How to adjust the Laser Beam Position?

1. Put the Adjustment Tube over the desired Laser Holder.

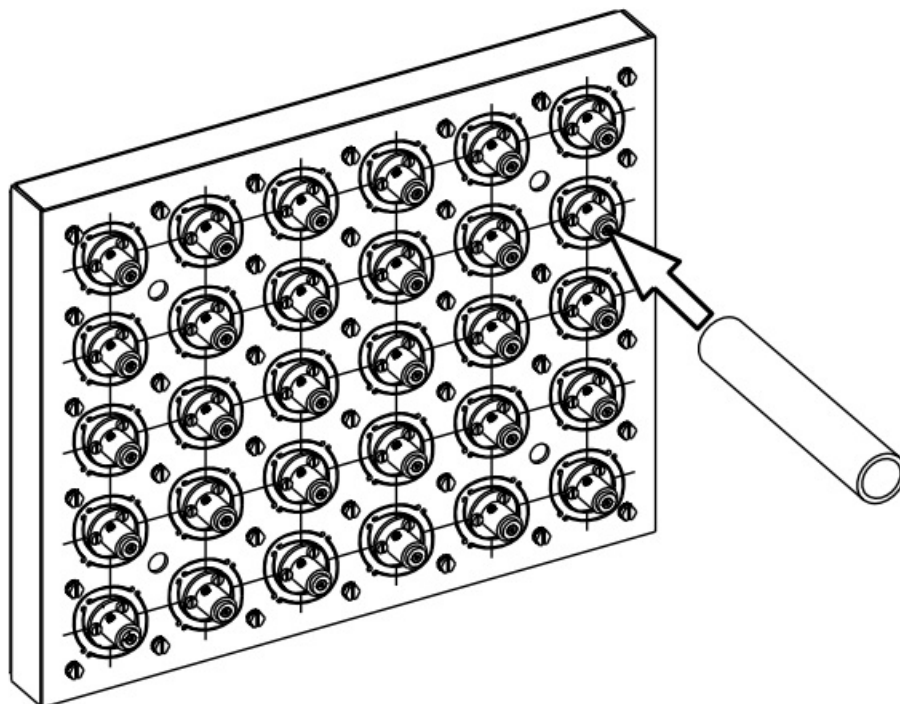


Image 6-1  
Put the Adjustment Tube over the desired Laser Holder

2. Use the Adjustment Tube to move the Laser Holder to the desired **position**.

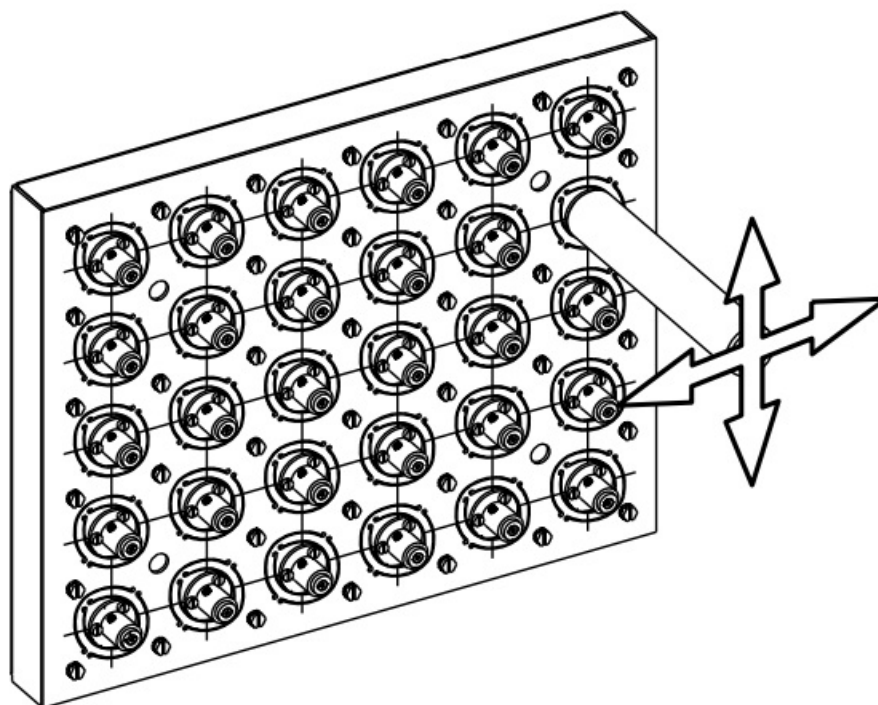


Image 6-2  
Adjusting the position of the Laser Holder

**Note:** Due to the mechanical characteristics of the Laser Holders, repeat step 2 until the Laser Beam is in the perfect position.

3. Remove the Adjustment Tube.

Now the Laser beam will mark the desired point on the screen

4. Repeat step 1 to 3 to mark all the desired points on the screen.

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