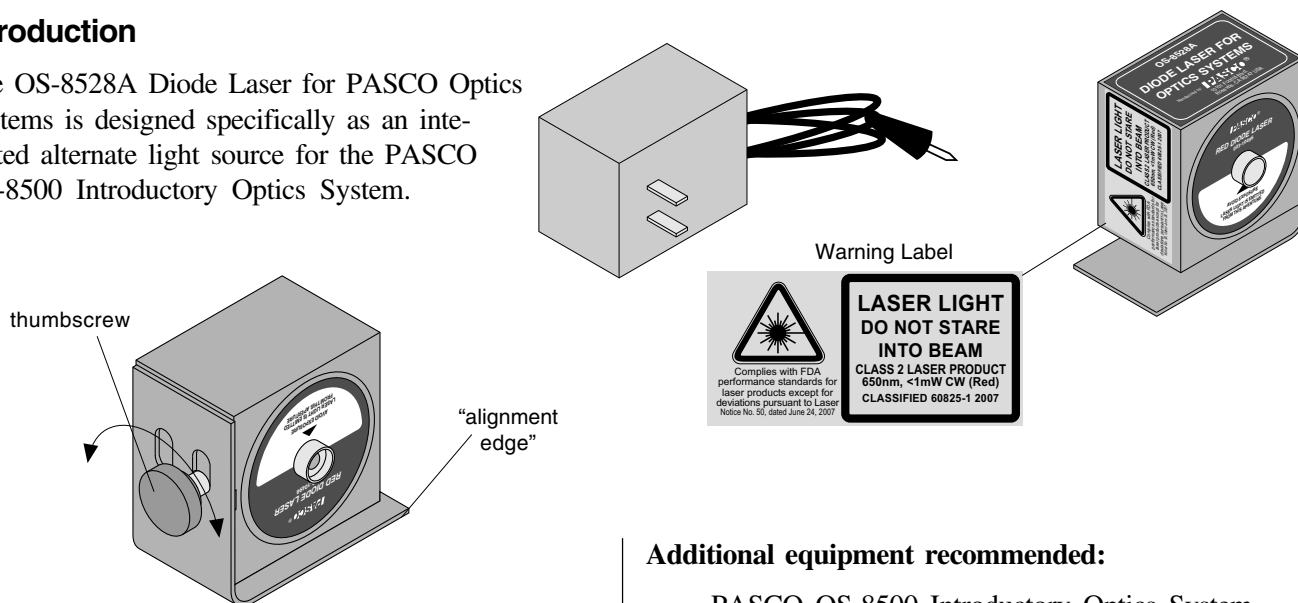


**Instruction Sheet  
for the PASCO  
Model OS-8528A**

# DIODE LASER FOR PASCO<sup>®</sup> OPTICS SYSTEMS

## Introduction

The OS-8528A Diode Laser for PASCO Optics Systems is designed specifically as an integrated alternate light source for the PASCO OS-8500 Introductory Optics System.



**Figure 1: OS-8528A Diode Laser Features**

The magnetic steel base of the Diode Laser incorporates an “alignment edge” that, when placed against the alignment rail of your PASCO Optics System, aligns the laser beam to the optical path of your existing system’s components. The laser diode assembly can also be rotated 360° adding flexibility to experiment set up. See Figure 1.

## Equipment

- Diode Laser for PASCO Optics Systems.
- 9VDC adapter

## Specifications

Class:	II Laser
Wavelength:	650 nm
Max. Output:	<1mW

## Additional equipment recommended:

- PASCO OS-8500 Introductory Optics System

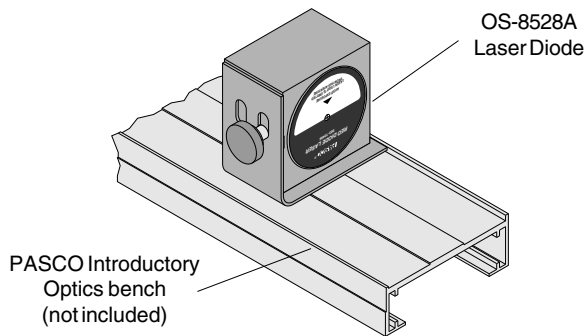
## Replacement parts:

Description	PASCO part no.
thumbscrew assembly	617-008
Optics System mount	648-06146

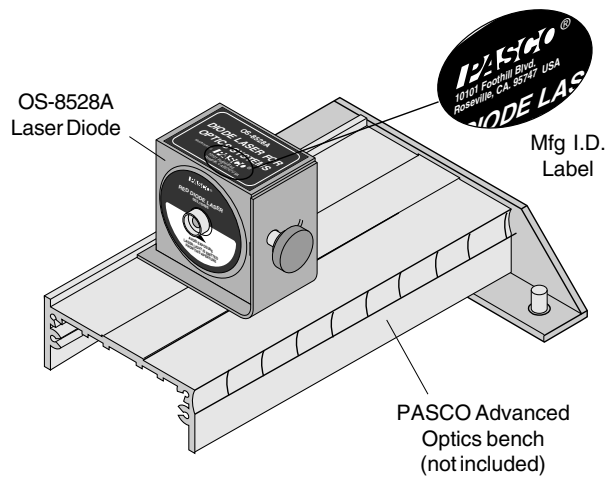
- **CAUTION** - use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.
- LASER LIGHT - DO NOT STARE INTO BEAM.
  - CLASS 2 LASER PRODUCT
  - This Laser Product is designated as Class 2 during all procedures of operation.
  - Do not point the laser or allow the laser to be directed or reflected toward people or animals.

### Assembly

- ① Determine the configuration of your experiment and the location in which the Diode Laser will be set up and adjust the orientation of the Diode Laser accordingly. Make sure the face of the laser diode assembly is relatively perpendicular to the surface of your optics bench. This will minimize the amount of fine adjustment you may need to perform in step 4. Tighten the thumbscrew to secure the laser diode module.
- ② Place the “alignment edge” of the Diode Laser against the alignment rail of your PASCO optics bench. See Figures 2 and 3.

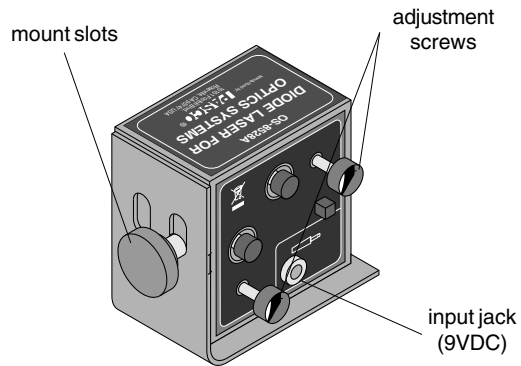


**Figure 2: Laser Diode Setup for PASCO Introductory Optics bench**



**Figure 3: Laser Diode Setup for PASCO Advanced Optics bench**

- ③ Plug the 9VDC adapter phone plug into the back of the laser and turn on the laser.
- ④ If necessary, use the adjustment screws to align the laser beam from left-to-right and up-and-down. See Figure 4.
- ⑤ When using with the Laser Slits, OS-8529, slide the Laser Diode to the top of the slots on the mount.



**Figure 4: Laser Beam Fine Adjustment**

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