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	PB24-100-4k-PCI	PB24-100-4k-USB-RM	PBESR-PRO-500	PBESR-PRO-250-USB-RM	Narwhal Devices <i>Pulse Generator</i>
					
<b>Price</b>	\$1525	\$3495	\$3985	\$4485	\$500
<b>Interface</b>	PCI	USB	PCI	USB	USB
<b>Channels</b>	24	24	21	21	24
<b>Channels with BNC connectors</b>	0	24	4	21	24
<b>Clock frequency (Cycle period)</b>	100MHz (10ns)	100MHz (10ns)	500MHz (2ns)	250MHz (4ns)	100MHz (10ns)
<b>Minimum pulse length (cycles)</b>	50ns (5 cycles)	50ns (5 cycles)	2ns (1 cycle)[note1]	4ns (1 cycle)[note1]	10ns (1 cycle)
<b>Pulse length resolution (cycles)</b>	10ns (1 cycle)	10ns (1 cycle)	2ns (1 cycle)	4ns (1 cycle)	10ns (1 cycle)
<b>Minimum time between instructions (cycles)</b>	50ns (5 cycles)	50ns (5 cycles)	10-14ns (5-7 cycles) [note2]	20ns (5 cycles)	10ns (1 cycle)
<b>Total instruction capacity</b>	4096 [note3]	4096	4096	4096	8192

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<b>Delay counter (bits/ max. val/max. time)</b>	32bits/~4billion/ <b>42 seconds</b> [note4] 52bits/ ~4quadrillion/ 521days	32bits/~4billion/ <b>42 seconds</b> [note4] 52bits/ ~4quadrillion/ 521days	32bits/~4billion/ <b>8.5 seconds</b> [note4] 52bits/ ~4quadrillion/ 104days	32bits/~4billion/ <b>17 seconds</b> [note4] 52bits/ ~4quadrillion/ 208days	48bits/~280trillion/ <b>32days</b>
<b>Max. loops in an instruction (bits/ number)</b>	20bits/~1million	20bits/~1million	20bits/~1million	20bits/~1million	32bits/~4billion
<b>Max. number of nested loops</b>	8	8	8	8	8192
<b>Max triggering frequency</b>	5MHz	5MHz	15MHz	10MHz	33MHz (every 3cycles)
<b>Trigger latency</b>	80ns (8 cycles)	80ns (8 cycles)	16ns (8 cycles)	32ns (8 cycles)	20ns (2 cycles)
<b>“Stop and wait for trigger” tag on instructions?</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Can sync to external reference clock?</b>	Yes, 50MHz. [note5,6]	Yes, 50MHz. [note5] Custom frequencies may be available on request.	Yes, 50MHz. [note5,6]	Yes, 50MHz. [note5]	Yes. 10MHz. No conditioning required. Custom frequencies available on request.
<b>Can sync to AC mains power?</b>	No	No	No	No	Yes. Both for main trigger, and individual instructions.
<b>Output termination</b>	Unterminated	“impedance matched to 50 ohm” [note7]	Unterminated	“impedance matched to 50 ohm” [note7]	Series terminated at source.
<b>Output Low voltage</b>	0V	0V	0V	0V	0V

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<b>Output High voltage into high impedance load</b>	3.3V[note8]	3.3V[note7]	3.3V[note8]	3.3V[note7]	3.3V Clean signal - minimal reflections.
<b>Output High voltage into 50Ω load</b>	2.5V	2.5V	2.5V	2.5V	1.5V
<b>Prebuilt interface options</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C/C++ library</li> <li>• Callable DLL</li> <li>• Labview</li> <li>• Basic GUI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C/C++ library</li> <li>• Callable DLL</li> <li>• Labview</li> <li>• Basic GUI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C/C++ library</li> <li>• Callable DLL</li> <li>• Labview</li> <li>• Basic GUI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C/C++ library</li> <li>• Callable DLL</li> <li>• Labview</li> <li>• Basic GUI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Python library</li> </ul>

[note1]: Requires use of “Short Pulse Feature”. All active channels must share this pulse profile. A new instruction can only be executed every 5 cycles, but within one instruction pulses can be generated down to 1 cycle in length.

[note2] A new instruction can only be executed every 7 cycles for most PBESR-PRO-500 instructions.

[note3] Up to 64,000 available. Other performance is reduced.

[note4] Requires use of “Long delay” feature. This may double the minimum pulse length (eg. 50ns→ 100ns) and pulse resolution (eg. 10ns→ 20ns). But this is not totally clear.

[note5] Requires signal conditioning. ie, must be square, positive only 3.3V @ 50MHz.

[note6] Requires removal of internal crystal oscillator.

[note7] Termination type is not clear, but source termination seems unlikely. May result in reflections if not 50Ω terminated at end of line (which drags down voltage), possibly leading to very unclear signals when switching.

[note8] Will result in reflections, possibly leading to very unclear signals when switching.

## Narwhal Devices - *Pulse Generator* other features

- Single run, continuous re-run, and static modes.
- Device can signal host computer when a run is completed, and on any instruction as desired.
- Software triggering, hardware triggering, or both.
- Both input and output reference clock ports for easy synchronisation of lab devices.
- Output trigger delay and duration configurable.
- Hardware and software “enable” can pause and resume run at any time.
- Communication by USB is treated as a Virtual Com Port (looks like a serial port from the users point of view). Easy communication using Windows, Linux and MacOS. (Using MacOS requires reduced data rate due to current driver issues. Pulse generator firmware must be swapped to achieve this.)
- Fully load all 8192 instructions in only 125ms.



Note that the mains power IEC connector is for synchronisation to mains AC line only. Power is provided by the USB type-C port at the front of device.

