B224BI Plug-in Isolator Detector Base

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Specifications

Base Diameter:	6.1 inches (155 mm)
Base Height:	1.2 inches (31 mm)
Mounting:	4-inch square box with or without plaster ring, Min. depth - 1.5 inches (38 mm) 4-inch octagon box, Min. depth - 1.5 inches (38 mm) 3½-inch octagon box, Min. depth - 1.5 inches (38mm)
Operating Temperature Range:	–10°C to +60°C (14°F to 140°F) **NOTE**: Do not install in locations where normal ambient temperature extends beyond 0° to 49°C (32° to 120°F)
Operating Humidity Range:	10% to 93% Relative Humidity (Non-condensing)

Electrical Ratings

Operating Voltage:	15 to 32 VDC
Standard Current:	450μA Maximum

Before Installing

Please thoroughly read the system wiring and installation manuals and the *System Smoke Detectors Applications Guide,* which provides detailed information on detector spacing, placement, zoning, and special applications.

NOTICE: This manual should be left with the owner/user of this equipment.

IMPORTANT: The detectors used with these bases must be tested and maintained following NFPA 72 requirements. The detectors used with these bases should be cleaned at least once a year.

General Information

Isolator bases prevent an entire communications loop from being disabled when a short circuit occurs. They accomplish this by isolating that part of the loop containing the short from the remainder of the circuit. These bases also automatically restore the entire loop when the cause of the short circuit is corrected. In general, up to 25 addressable devices may be isolated between isolator bases.

Mounting

The detector base mounts directly to 3½- and 4-inch octagon and 4-inch square boxes, with or without a plaster ring. To mount, remove the decorative ring by rotating it in either direction to unhook the snaps. Then, separate the ring from the base. Install the base on the box, using the screws supplied with the junction box and the appropriate slots in the base. Replace the decorative ring on the base and rotate it in either direction until the ring snaps in place (see Figure 1).

Installation Guidelines

All wiring must be installed in compliance with all applicable local codes and any special requirements of the local authority having jurisdiction, using the proper wire sizes. The conductors used to connect smoke detectors to control panels and accessory devices should be color-coded to reduce the likelihood of wiring errors. Improper connections can prevent a system from responding properly in the event of a fire.

For signal wiring (the wiring between interconnected detectors), it is recommended that the wire be no smaller than 18 gauge (0.9 square mm). However, wire sizes up to 14 gauge (2.0 square mm) can be used with the base. The use of twisted pair wiring or shielded cable for the power (+ and –) loop is recommended to minimize the effects of electrical interference.

NOTE: Detector head power is supplied by terminals 1 (+) and 2 (–). Therefore, the head will be part of this isolation group.

If shielded cable is used, the shield connection to and from the detector must be continuous by using wire nuts, crimping, or soldering, as appropriate, for a reliable connection.

Alarm system control panels have specifications for allowable loop resistance. Consult the control panel specifications for the total loop resistance allowed before wiring the detector loops.

Check the zone wiring of all bases in the system before installing detectors. This includes checking the wiring for continuity, correct polarity, ground fault testing, and performing a dielectric test.

Figure 1. Mounting base to electrical box:

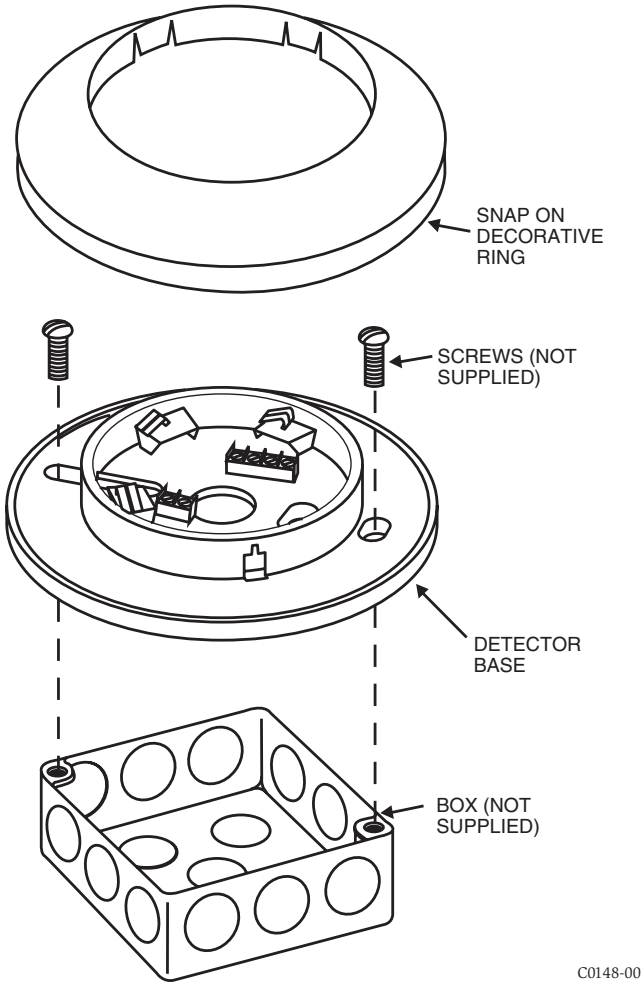


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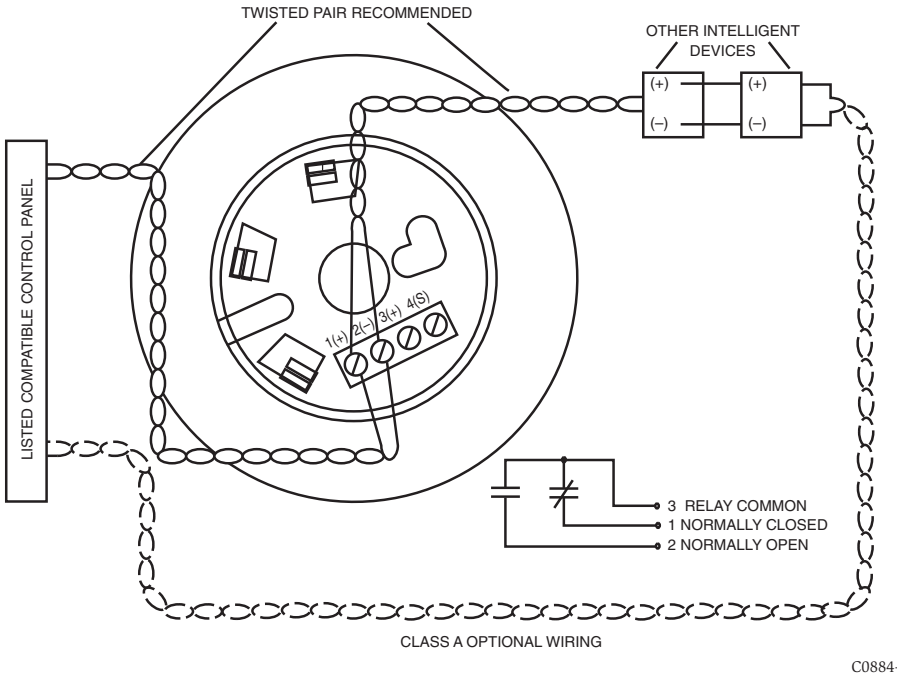
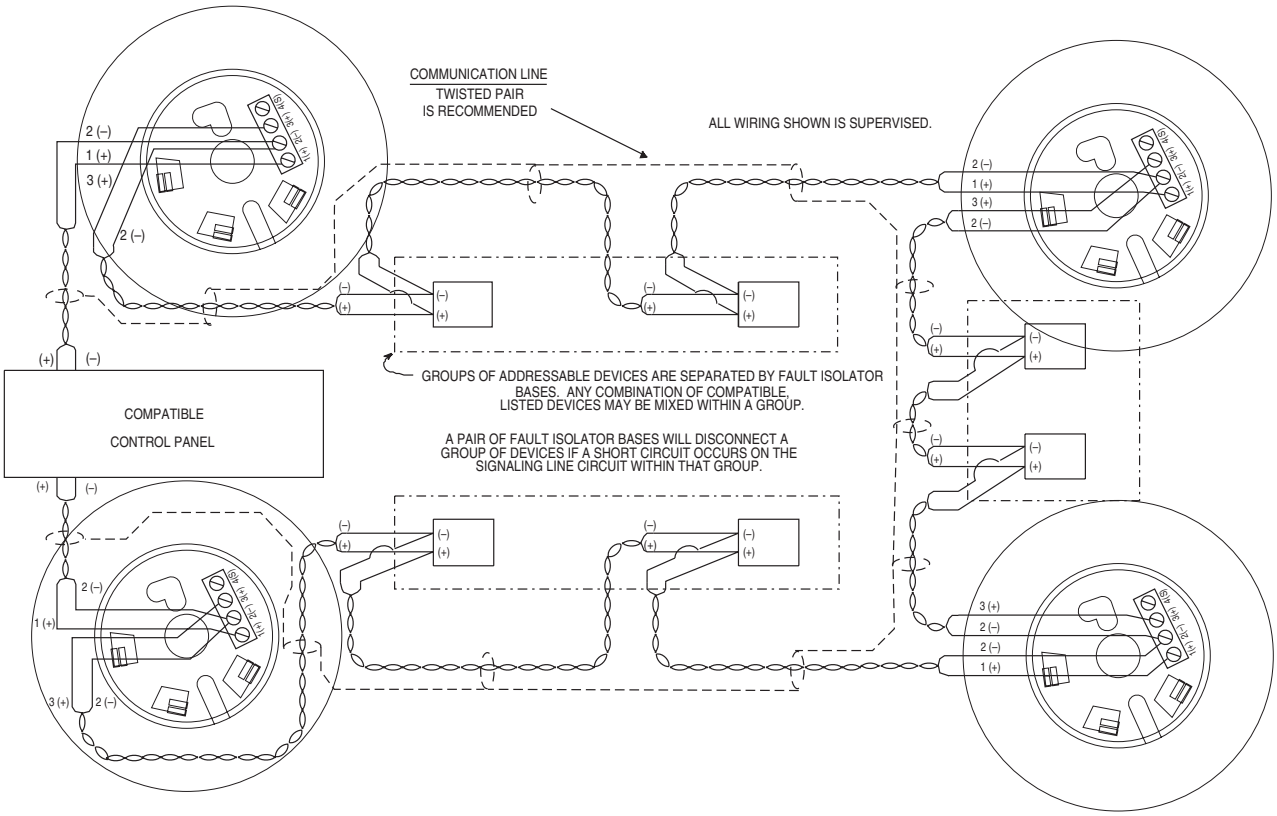


Figure 3. Wiring diagram:



Wiring Instructions

Make wiring connections by stripping about 3/8″ (10 mm) of insulation from the wire end. Then, insert the wire into the appropriate terminal and tighten the screw. Wire the communication line in (+) to terminal 1. Insert both communication line in (–) and communication line out (–) to terminal 2. Wire communication line out (+) to terminal 3 (see Figures 2 and 3). Terminal 4 is for shielded cable only (see Figures 2 and 3). If shielded cable is used, the shield connection to and from the detector must be continuous by using wire nuts, crimping, or soldering to ensure a reliable connection. If shielded cable is NOT used, leave terminal 4 in the screwed-down position.

A label is affixed to the base for recording the zone, address, and type of detector being installed at the base location. This information is useful for setting the detector head address and for verification of the sensor type required for that location.

Once all detector bases have been wired and mounted, and the loop wiring has been checked, the detector heads may be installed in the bases.

Tamper-resist Feature

NOTE: Do not use the tamper-resist feature if the removal tool is to be used.

This detector base includes a tamper-resist feature that prevents its removal from the base without the use of a tool.

To activate this feature, break the tab from the detector base as shown in Figure 4A (see Page 4). Then, install the detector.

To remove the detector from the base once the tamper-resist feature has been activated, insert a small-bladed screwdriver into the slot in the side of the base and push the plastic lever away from the detector head (see Figure 4B, page 4). This allows the detector to be rotated counterclockwise for removal.

NOTE: Head removal after the tamper-resist feature has been activated requires removal of the decorative ring.

The tamper-resist feature can be defeated by breaking and removing the plastic lever from the base. However, this prevents the feature from being used again.

Figure 4A. Activating the tamper-resist feature:

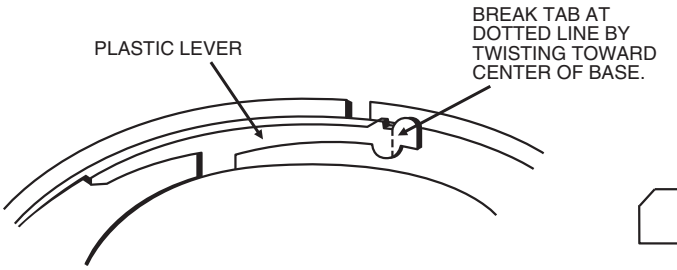
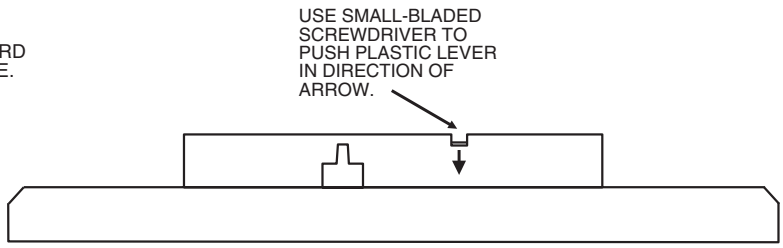


Figure 4B. Removing the detector head from the base:



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