VESDA VLC

The VESDA VLC-400 is a derivative of the standard VESDA VLC product family specifically designed to communicate directly on the Apollo loop. It operates as a smoke sensor on the Apollo SLC loop and reports directly to the Fire Alarm Control Panel (FACP). It is compatible with FACP's using the Apollo XP95 and Discovery SLC protocols. Up to 126 VLC-400 detectors may be connected directly to an Apollo Discovery or XP95 compatible panel eliminating the need for a separate loop interface thereby providing simpler installation and lower costs.

The VLC-400 provides very early smoke detection for small to medium areas within a single environment and incorporates:

- a purpose built aspirator design
- clean air barrier optics protection
- a simplified display
- onboard relay and remote LED output
- an onboard isolator supporting NFPA 72 Style 7 SLC wiring
- Supervised PSU monitor input (47K EOL)

Description

VLC detectors provide Very Early Warning of potential fire conditions by drawing air samples through a single pipe up to 260ft long, or through two pipes of up to 98ft when branched within 16ft of the detector. Smoke is sampled through holes in the pipe and transported to the detector by an integrated aspirator. Holes are positioned according to the application and often follow the spacing of standard conventional point detectors. Where necessary sampling points can be constructed using capillary tubes and sample point devices.

In keeping with the Apollo protocol it reports the analogue value with a count of 55 corresponding to the Fire Condition. As a discovery detector, the VLC-400 operates in one of 5 sensitivity modes (see specifications overleaf). The threshold associated with each mode is independently configurable using a PC running Xtralis VSC with the default settings.

How It Works

The detector continuously passes air samples from the protected area through to the Laser Detection Chamber. Ultra-fine air filtration provides very clean air to protect the optical surfaces inside the detector from contamination. If any smoke is detected in the chamber, its concentration is signalled to the Main Processor Card. When the concentration of smoke is higher than the set alarm thresholds, then it is reported either as a Pre-Alarm or an Alarm depending upon the set alarm thresholds.

Features

- Compatible with Fire Alarm Control Panels which utilize Apollo Discovery & XP95 protocols
- Protect areas up to 8000 sq.ft (800 sq.m approx.)
- Absolute smoke detection
- Wide sensitivity range
- Single pipe inlet
- VESDAlink communications
- Clean air barrier optics protection
- Airflow monitoring
- AutoLearn Smoke
- Simple mounting design

Approvals/Listings*

- UL
- LPCB
- CE - EMC and CPD
- EN 54-20

* Regional approvals listings and regulatory compliance vary between VESDA product models. Refer to www.xtralis.com for the latest product approvals matrix.

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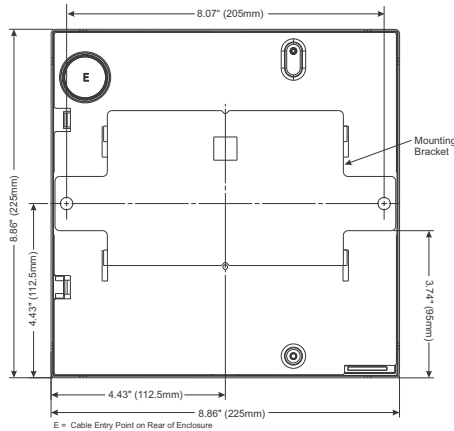Specifications are for information only, are not intended for installation purposes, and are subject to change without notice. No responsibility is assumed by Gamewell-FCI for their use.
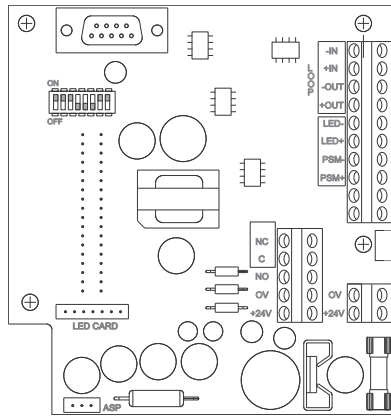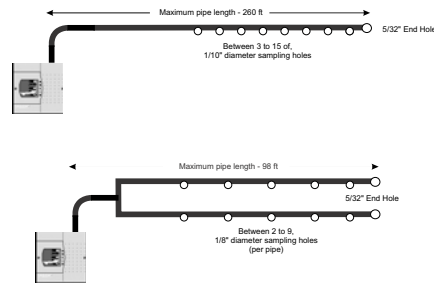**www.gamewell-fci.com**   GF20564_06 Rev. A page 1 of 2

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Rear view dimension

8.07" (205mm)
8.86" (225mm)
4.43" (112.5mm)
3.74" (95mm)
4.43" (112.5mm)
8.86" (225mm)

E = Cable Entry Point on Rear of Enclosure

Mounting Bracket

Illustrative pre-engineered pipe networks

Note: It is recommended that desired transport times, local codes and standards are confirmed with ASPIRE2™ for validation of pipe networks.

Maximum pipe length - 260 ft
5/32" End Hole
Between 3 to 15 of, 1/10" diameter sampling holes

Maximum pipe length - 98 ft
5/32" End Hole
Between 2 to 9, 1/8" diameter sampling holes (per pipe)

-IN
+IN
-OUT
+OUT
LED-
LED+
PSM-
PSM+
NC
C
NO
0V
+24V
0V
+24V
LED CARD
ASP
ON
OFF

Ordering Information

Product	Part number
VESDA VLC 400	VLC-400

For Power Supply ordering information relevant to your region see www.xtralis.com

Specifications

Supply Voltage:
18 to 30 VDC (nominally 24 VDC)

Power Consumption:
Max 5.4 watts (incl. Alarm)

Current Consumption:
245 mA max at 24 VDC (in Alarm state)

Maximum No. of detector Per Apollo Loop:
126 units (addresses 1-126)

Configurable Onboard Relay:
Follows Fire LED or under control of panel
(NO or NC, 2 A @ 30 VDC)

Configurable Remote LED Output:
Follows Fire LED or under control of panel

Isolation:
Fuse rating: 1.6A
Integrated Apollo loop isolation meeting NFPA 72 Style 7 requirements

Enclosure Dimensions (WHD):
8 in x 8 in x 3 in (225 mm x 225 mm x 85 mm)

Enclosure Weight:
4.2 lbs (1.9 kg)

Operating Temperature:
Ambient: 32°F to 103°F (0°C to 39°C) *
Tested: 14°F to 131°F (-10°C to 55°C) *
Sampled Air: -4°F to 140°F (-20°C to 60°C) *
Humidity: 10% to 95% RH, non-condensing

Sampling Network:
Maximum single pipe length: 260 ft (80 m approx.)
Maximum two pipe lengths: 164 ft (50 m approx.) each
Maximum area of coverage: 8000 sq. ft (800 m² approx.)

Pipe ID:
Internal Diameter: 9/16" - 7/8" (15-21mm)
External Diameter: 1.05" (25mm)

IP Rating:
IP30

Cable Termination:
Screw terminal blocks 30-12 AWG (0.2 - 2.5 mm²)

Sensitivity Range:
0.0015 to 6% Obs/ft (0.005 to 20% Obs/m)

Default Settings for Sensitivity Modes:
Mode 1 – 0.015% Obs/ft – 15 sec delay
Mode 2 – 0.03% Obs/ft – 10 sec delay
Mode 3 – 0.06% Obs/ft – 10 sec delay
Mode 4 – 0.15% Obs/ft – 10 sec delay
Mode 5 – 0.31% Obs/ft – 10 sec delay

Software Features:
- *Event Log:* Capacity 10,240 events reporting Smoke level, alarms and faults with time and date stamp
- AutoLearn function which adapts the detector to the surrounding environment (minimum 15 minutes, maximum 15 days).

Approvals Compliance

Please refer to the Product Guide for details regarding compliant design, installation and commissioning.

* Product UL listed for use from 32°F to 104°F (0°C to 38°C)

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