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Quick Start Guide
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Spectrex[™] 20/20Q Flame Detector



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1 Safety information

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WARNING

Physical access

Unauthorized personnel may potentially cause significant damage to and/or misconfiguration of end users' equipment. This could be intentional or unintentional and needs to be protected against.

Physical security is an important part of any security program and fundamental in protecting your system. Restrict physical access by unauthorized personnel to protect end users' assets. This is true for all systems used within the facility.

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CAUTION

Improper wiring may damage the detector.

NOTICE

To comply with Electromagnetic Control (EMC) Directive 2014/30/EU and protect against interference caused by radio frequency interference (RFI) and electromagnetic interference (EMI), shield the cable to the detector and ground the detector.

NOTICE

Disconnect external devices, such as fire alarms and automatic extinguishing systems, before performing maintenance.

Do not expose the detector to radiation of any kind unless required for testing purposes.

Do not open the electronic compartment. Keep this part closed at all times. It can only be opened at the factory. Opening the electronic component side invalidates the warranty.

Only access the wiring compartment to wire or remove the detector or access RS-485 terminals for maintenance.

2 Introduction

The SharpEye 20/20Q Multi-Spectrum QuadSense Flame Detector is part of the leading, next-generation SharpEye 20/20 series.

The detector uses proven triple infrared (IR3) technology and includes a fast and reliable hydrocarbon fires detection range spanning up to 150 ft. (45 m) as well as unmatched reliability and immunity to false alarms.

3 Installation

3.1 Installation guidelines

Ensure that installation guidelines align with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 72E or any other local and international regulations and standards, as applicable to flame detectors and installation of Ex-approved products. To ensure optimal performance and efficient installation, consider the following guidelines.

Wiring

The wire gauge must be designed according to the distance from the detector to the controller and the number of detectors on the same power line.

NOTICE

To fully comply with Electromagnetic Control (EMC) directive and protect against interference caused by radio frequency interference (RFI) and electromagnetic interference (EMI), the cable to the detector must be shielded and the detector must be grounded. The shield should be grounded at the detector end.

Environment

Dust, snow, or rain can reduce the detector's sensitivity and require more maintenance activities. The presence of high intensity emission sources may affect sensitivity.

3.2 Preparation for use

The installation sequence may vary according to the physical structure of the site.

The following tools are required for installation:

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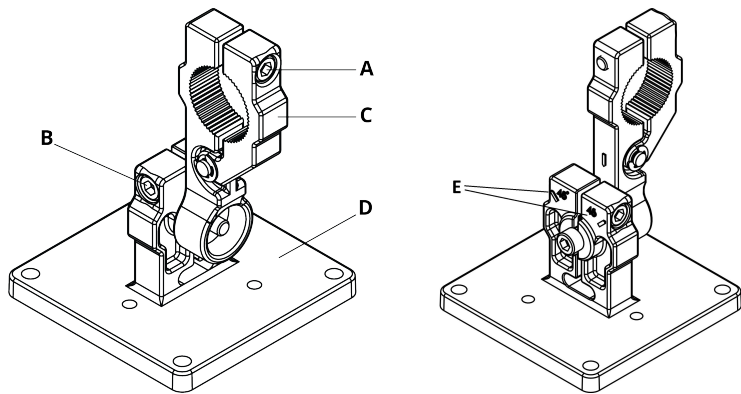
These are standard tools. Emerson does not supply them with the detector.

Table 3-1: Required Tools

Tool	Function
Hex key 5 mm	Adjust the tilt mount
Phillips head screwdriver	Fasten the back cover security screw
Flat screwdriver 3 mm	For terminals
Flat screwdriver	Fasten the ground wire

3.3 Tilt mount

Figure 3-1: Tilt Mount

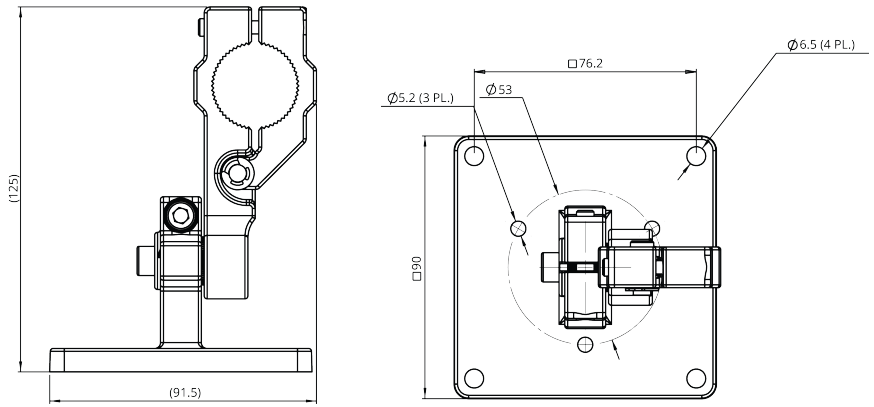


- A. Clamp locking screw
- B. Horizontal/vertical locking screw
- C. Rotating clamp
- D. Tilt holding plate
- E. 45° mark

Figure 3-2: Tilt Mount Photo



Figure 3-3: Tilt Mount Dimensions



Note

Dimensions are in millimeters.

Procedure

1. Unpack the detector.

Emerson provides a plastic protection plug with the detector. See [Figure 3-4](#).

Figure 3-4: Detector with a Plastic Protection Plug

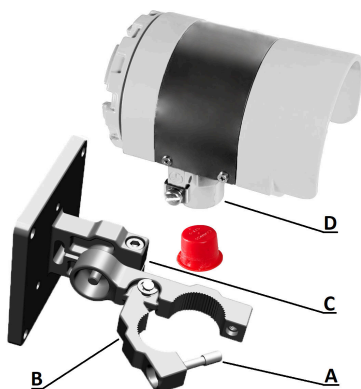


Note

The tilt mount features a single X/Y rotation axis. Consider the desired position of the tilt mount holding plate prior to installation.

2. Use the 5 mm hex key to release the captive screw that locks the clamp.

Figure 3-5: Tilt Mount Installation Diagram



- A. Clamp locking screw
- B. Rotating clamp
- C. Horizontal/vertical locking screw
- D. Detector conduit

3. Place the detector conduit within the clamp.

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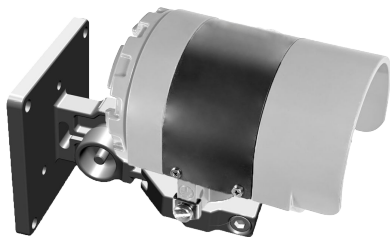
To change the detector field of view, release the horizontal/vertical locking screw.

4. Lock the clamp and tighten the clamp locking captive screw.
5. Point the detector toward the protected area and ensure the view of the area is unobstructed.
6. Secure the detector in that position by tightening the horizontal/vertical locking screw on the tilt mount.

NOTICE

Release the rotating clamp to minimize paint scratches on the detector conduit when moving the detector.

Figure 3-6: Detector with Tilt Mount Installed

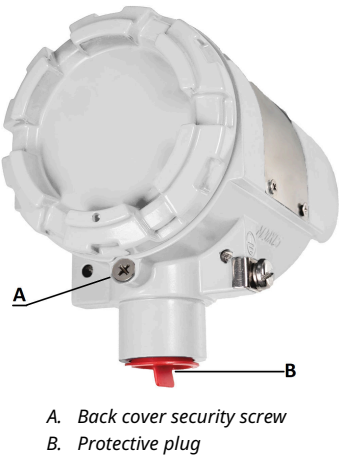


3.4 Wiring preparation

Procedure

1. Use a Phillips head screwdriver (see following image) to unfasten the locking screw (A) on the back cover.

Figure 3-7: Removing the Back Cover Security Screw and Protective Plug



2. Unscrew and remove the back cover to access the terminal compartment.

Figure 3-8: Accessing the Terminal Compartment by Removing the Back Cover



3. Remove the protective plug to use the conduit.

3.5 Wire the terminals and ground cable

Procedure

1. Connect the terminals according to [Table 3-2](#).
The terminal details also appear on the inside of the detector.

Figure 3-9: Terminals



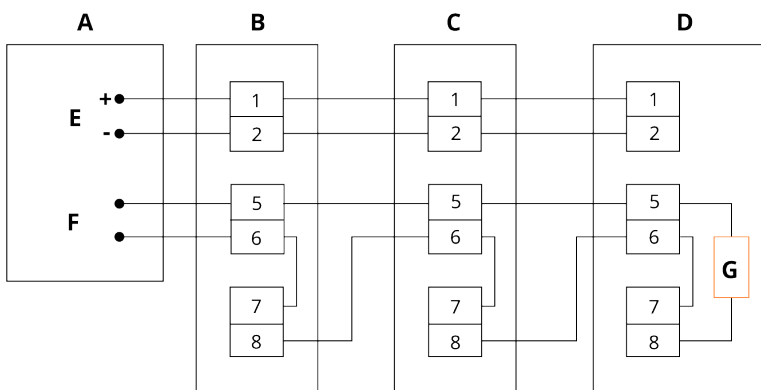
Table 3-2: Terminal Box

Terminal	Function
T1	24 Vdc (+)
T2	24 Vdc (-)
T3	RS-485A+
T4	RS-485B-
T5	Alarm relay - common (COM)
T6	Alarm relay - normally open (NO)
T7	Fault relay - common (COM)
T8	Fault relay - normally closed (NC)
T9	4-20 (-)

When the fault relay wiring option is set to **Normally Open (NO)**, the relay contact is **closed** under normal (energized) conditions and **open** during a fault (de-energized) condition.

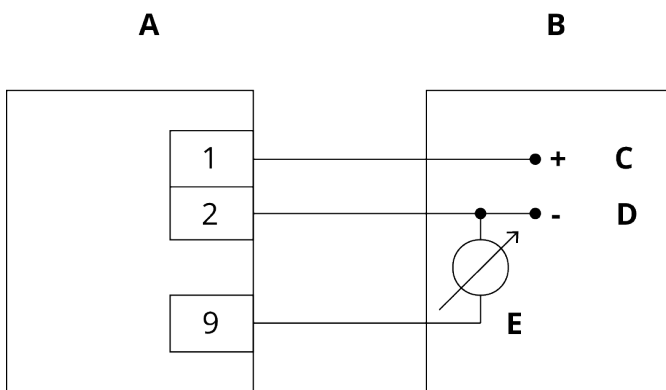
Use [Figure 3-10](#) and [Figure 3-11](#) for typical wiring configurations.

Figure 3-10: Typical Wiring Configuration for 4-Wire Controllers



- A. Controller
- B. First detector
- C. Second detector
- D. Last detector
- E. Power supply
- F. Alarm loop - relay connection
- G. End of line resistor (1.5 kΩ)

Figure 3-11: Source 3-Wire



- A. Detector
- B. Controller
- C. Input power: 18 to 32 Vdc
- D. Return
- E. 0-20 mA meter

2. Check that the wires are securely connected and press them neatly against the terminal to prevent interference when closing the back cover.
3. Close the terminal compartment by screwing the back cover on the housing.

4. Use the Phillips screwdriver to screw the back cover security screw to fix the back cover.

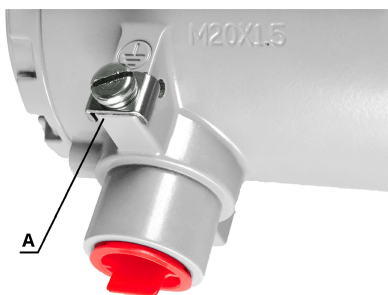
Figure 3-12: Security Screw



A. Back cover security screw

5. Connect the ground cable.

Figure 3-13: Ground Cable Connection



A. Ground cable connection point

3.6 Backshell assembly instructions



3.6.1 Pinout

Figure 3-14: Pinout Diagram

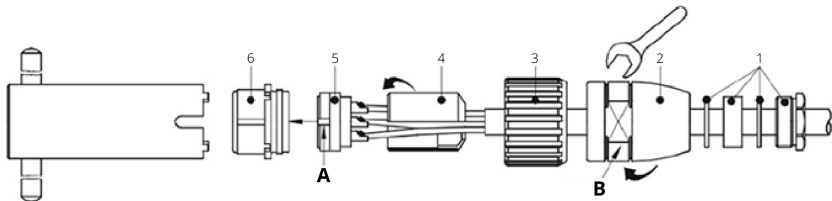


Table 3-3: Pin Configuration and Signal Description

Pin	Signal
1	VIN_PWR
2	GND_PWR (Ground power)
4	4-20 (-)
5	Fault Relay COM (common)
6	Fault Relay NC (Normally closed)
7	Alarm Relay COM (common)
8	Alarm Relay NO (Normally open)
9	RS-485 (-)
10	RS-485 (+)
12	Shield

3.6.2 Assembly instructions

Figure 3-15: Backshell Assembly



- A. Coding groove
- B. SW 20 mm

Required tools

Prerequisites

This section lists the essential equipment needed for the assembly, including the Mounting Key – Binder Connector manufacturing part no.: 08 1205 000 000.

Figure 3-16: Mounting Key - Binder Connector



Procedure

1. Preparing the Cable
 - a) Push the cable screw connection (1), adapter (2), and coupling nut (3) onto the cable.
 - b) Strip the cable coating by 20 mm.
 - c) Trim foil, filler, and inner insulation as needed.
2. Preparing the Wires
 - a) Strip the single wires by 3.5 mm.
 - b) Twist the exposed wire strands.
 - c) Tin the twisted wire ends to prepare for soldering.
3. Soldering the Wires
 - a) Solder the single wires to the contacts in the contact insert (5).
4. Inserting Components
 - a) Insert the distance shell (4).
 - b) Guide the insert (5) and distance shell (4) into the insert ring (6).
 - c) Ensure that the desired coding groove of the insert (6) is properly aligned with the coding bar.
5. Final Assembly
 - a) Screw the adapter (2) as tightly as possible.
 - b) Screw the cable gland (1) as tightly as possible.

Torque Specifications

- Max. 0.1 N-m for screw contacts with a mating diameter of 1 mm
- Max. 0.2 N-m for screw contacts with a mating diameter of 2 mm

⚠ CAUTION

Ensure all components are securely fastened and that the coding grooves are correctly aligned before final tightening to prevent electrical faults and mechanical damage.

For any further assistance, please refer to the manufacturer's detailed technical documentation or contact support.

3.7 Aiming the detector

Aim the detector towards the center of the detection zone and make sure you have a completely unobstructed view of the protected area.

Position the detector tilted down at a 45° angle to maximize coverage and prevent accumulation of dust and dirt.



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