

# Genesis GC Series Signaling Appliance Installation Sheet



## Description

Genesis GC Series horns, strobes, and horn-strobes are ceiling- or wall-mounted plug-in fire alarm signaling appliances designed for indoor dry applications. See Table 1 through Table 3 for a list of models.

#### Table 1: Horn models

| Number   | Description                     |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| GCARF    | Ceiling horn, red, FIRE         |
| GCARF-FR | Ceiling horn, red, FEU          |
| GCARF-SP | Ceiling horn, red, FUEGO        |
| GCARN    | Ceiling horn, red, no marking   |
| GCAWF    | Ceiling horn, white, FIRE       |
| GCAWF-FR | Ceiling horn, white, FEU        |
| GCAWF-SP | Ceiling horn, white, FUEGO      |
| GCAWN    | Ceiling horn, white, no marking |

#### Table 2: Strobe models

| Number   | Description                       |
|----------|-----------------------------------|
| GCVRF    | Ceiling strobe, red, FIRE         |
| GCVRF-FR | Ceiling strobe, red, FEU          |
| GCVRF-SP | Ceiling strobe, red, FUEGO        |
| GCVRN    | Ceiling strobe, red, no marking   |
| GCVWF    | Ceiling strobe, white, FIRE       |
| GCVWF-FR | Ceiling strobe, white, FEU        |
| GCVWF-SP | Ceiling strobe, white, FUEGO      |
| GCVWN    | Ceiling strobe, white, no marking |

| Number    | Description                            |  |
|-----------|--|--|
| GCAVRF    | Ceiling horn-strobe, red, FIRE         |  |
| GCAVRF-FR | Ceiling horn-strobe, red, FEU          |  |
| GCAVRF-SP | Ceiling horn-strobe, red, FUEGO        |  |
| GCAVRN    | Ceiling horn-strobe, red, no marking   |  |
| GCAVWF    | Ceiling horn-strobe, white, FIRE       |  |
| GCAVWF-FR | Ceiling horn-strobe, white, FEU        |  |
| GCAVWF-SP | Ceiling horn-strobe, white, FUEGO      |  |
| GCAVWN    | Ceiling horn-strobe, white, no marking |  |

Genesis GC Series signaling appliances feature:

- Field-configurable horn and strobe outputs. See Figure 2.
- Enhanced synchronization circuitry to comply with the latest requirements of UL 1638 and CAN/ULC-S526.
- Input wiring test points on the front of the appliance when the cover is removed.

**Note:** Synchronized operation requires a separately installed synchronization device. See the control unit or remote booster/auxiliary power supply compatibility list for compatible synchronization devices.

## Configuration

**Caution:** Equipment damage hazard. Using excessive force when removing the appliance cover may damage the cover and prevent it from latching in place.

To configure the signaling appliance:

1. Remove the appliance cover. See Figure 1.

Insert a small, flat-bladed screwdriver into the slot at the bottom of the appliance.

Gently pull up on the screwdriver to pry the bottom of the appliance cover down and away from the appliance.

Lift the bottom of the cover out and over the top of the appliance.

- 2. Set the light and sound output switches. See Figure 2.
- 3. Replace the appliance cover.





## Figure 2: Light and sound output settings



- Constant, high dB (2)
- T3 temporal, low dB (3)
- (7) 30 candela (4) T3 temporal, high dB (8) 15 candela

Note: Temporal 3 coding is the required output for fire notification devices per NFPA 72. Any device coding other than Temporal 3 is at the discretion and approval of the local authority having jurisdiction (AHJ).

## Installation

Install and wire this device in accordance with applicable national and local codes, ordinances, and regulations.

Caution: Electrical supervision requires that you break the wire run at each terminal. Do not loop the signaling circuit field wires around the terminals.

## To install the appliance:

- 1. Attach the wiring plate and, if used, the trim plate to the electrical box. See Figure 3. The wiring plate and the trim plate are both ordered separately.
- Connect the field wiring. Observe signal polarity for the appliance 2. to operate properly. See Figure 4.
- Remove the shorting clip (Figure 4, item 3). Retain for future use. 3.
- 4. Plug the appliance into the wiring plate by setting the appliance on the top of the wiring plate, and then snapping the bottom into place. See Figure 5.

To unplug the appliance, press the spring clip on the bottom, and then lift the appliance away from the wiring plate.

5. Test the unit for proper operation.

## Figure 3: Mounting diagram



- (1) Electrical box
- (2) Trim plate (optional)
- (3) Wiring plate (required, ordered separately)
- (4) Machine screw (2X, supplied with wiring plate)
- (5) GC Series signaling appliance



(1) Horn/strobe circuit in (signal polarity shown in the active condition)(2) Horn/strobe circuit out

(3) Shorting clip

#### Figure 5: Removing and replacing the appliance



Maintenance and testing

**Caution:** Equipment damage hazard. To maintain the required agency listings, do not change factory-applied finishes.

This unit is not serviceable or repairable. If the unit fails to operate, contact the supplier for a replacement.

Perform a visual and operational inspection in accordance with applicable codes and standards or as directed by the local authority having jurisdiction.

Input wiring test points are available on the front of the appliance when the cover is removed. The test points let you easily spot check the field circuit wiring without the need to remove the appliance from the wall. See Figure 6.

Figure 6: Test points



Note: Marking indicates signal polarity when the circuit is active.

#### **Specifications**

| Operating voltage   | 16 to 33 VDC, 16 to 33 VFWR  |
|---|--|
| Operating current   | See Table 4 to Table 6   |
| Horn signal type  | Constant or T3 temporal  |
| Sound output  | See Table 7 and Table 8  |
| Sound pattern   | See Table 9 and Table 10   |
| Light output  | 15, 30, 75,or 115 cd   |
| Strobe flash rate   | 1 fps (flash per second) approx.   |
| Light distribution  | See Figure 7   |
| Synchronization   | 20 $\Omega$ max. between any two devices.  |
|   | To determine allowed wire resistance, refer to<br>these specifications, and the specifications<br>for thesynchronized signal source. |
| Dimensions (Ø × D)  | 6.8 × 1.82 in. (17.27 × 4.62 cm)<br>See Figure 8   |
| Strobe-to-box center offset                               | 0 in (0 cm)  |
| Compatible electrical boxes                               | 1-gang, 2-gang, 4-inch octagon,<br>4-inch square   |
| Wiring plate  | GP10 (pack of ten)   |
| Trim rings  | GCTR, GCTW   |
| Replacement covers  | See Table 11 to Table 13   |
| Operating environment<br>Temperature<br>Relative humidity | 32 to 122°F (0 to 50°C)<br>0 to 93% noncondensing  |
| Storage temperature                                       | -40 to 158°F (-40 to 70°C)   |

#### Table 4: Operating current (horn models)

| Sound setting  | 16 to 33 VDC | 16 to 33 VFWR |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| C-LOW, T-LOW   | 20 mA        | 25 mA         |
| C-HIGH, T-HIGH | 30 mA        | 40 mA         |

## Table 5: Operating current (strobe models)

| Strobe setting  | 16 to 33 VDC | 16 to 33 VFWR |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| 15, 30, 75, 115 | 35 mA        | 45 mA         |

#### Table 6: Operating current (horn-strobe models)

| Strobe setting     | Sound setting  | 16 to 33 VDC | 16 to 33 VFWR |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| 15, 30, 75,<br>115 | C-LOW, T-LOW   | 50 mA        | 60 mA         |
|                    | C-HIGH, T-HIGH | 60 mA        | 75 mA         |

#### Table 7: Sound output (horn models)

| Sound setting  | Reverberant<br>(UL 464) | Anechoic<br>(CAN/ULC-S525) |
|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| C-LOW, T-LOW   | 80 dBA                  | 86 dBA                     |
| C-HIGH, T-HIGH | 86 dBA                  | 92 dBA                     |

## Table 8: Sound output (horn-strobe models)

| Sound setting  | Reverberant<br>(UL 464) | Anechoic<br>(CAN/ULC-S525) |
|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| C-LOW, T-LOW   | 80 dBA                  | 86 dBA                     |
| C-HIGH, T-HIGH | 86 dBA                  | 92 dBA                     |

#### Table 9: Sound pattern – horn models (ULC)

| Axis       | Angle (°)  | Output (dBA) |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| Horizontal | 115 and 55 | 93.3         |
| Vertical   | 125 and 50 | 91.7         |

## Table 10: Sound pattern – horn-strobe models (ULC)

| Axis       | Angle (°)  | Output (dBA) |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| Horizontal | 145 and 35 | 93.0         |
|            | 155 and 25 | 90.8         |
| Vertical   | 135 and 35 | 92.0         |
|            | 155 and 25 | 85.4         |

## Table 11: Horn replacement covers

| Model        | Description                            |
|--------------|--|
| GCARA-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn, red, ALERT        |
| GCARF-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn, red, FIRE         |
| GCARF-FR-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn, red, FEU          |
| GCARF-SP-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn, red, FUEGO        |
| GCARN-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn, red, no marking   |
| GCAWA-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn, white, ALERT      |
| GCAWF-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn, white, FIRE       |
| GCAWF-FR-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn, white, FEU        |
| GCAWF-SP-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn, white, FUEGO      |
| GCAWN-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn, white, no marking |
|              |  |

## Table 12: Strobe replacement covers

| Model        | Description                              |
|--------------|--|
| GCVRA-CVR    | Cover, ceiling strobe, red, ALERT        |
| GCVRF-CVR    | Cover, ceiling strobe, red, FIRE         |
| GCVRF-FR-CVR | Cover, ceiling strobe, red, FEU          |
| GCVRF-SP-CVR | Cover, ceiling strobe, red, FUEGO        |
| GCVRN-CVR    | Cover, ceiling strobe, red, no marking   |
| GCVWA-CVR    | Cover, ceiling strobe, white, ALERT      |
| GCVWF-CVR    | Cover, ceiling strobe, white, FIRE       |
| GCVWF-FR-CVR | Cover, ceiling strobe, white, FEU        |
| GCVWF-SP-CVR | Cover, ceiling strobe, white, FUEGO      |
| GCVWN-CVR    | Cover, ceiling strobe, white, no marking |

#### Table 13: Horn-strobe replacement covers

| Model         | Description                                   |
|---------------|---|
| GCAVRA-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, red, ALERT        |
| GCAVRF-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, red, FIRE         |
| GCAVRF-FR-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, red, FEU          |
| GCAVRF-SP-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, red, FUEGO        |
| GCAVRN-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, red, no marking   |
| GCAVWA-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, white, ALERT      |
| GCAVWF-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, white, FIRE       |
| GCAVWF-FR-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, white, FEU        |
| GCAVWF-SP-CVR | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, white, FUEGO      |
| GCAVWN-CVR    | Cover, ceiling horn-strobe, white, no marking |

## Figure 7: Light distribution



Figure 8: Dimensions



## **Regulatory information**

| UL rating                     | Regulated 24 DC and 24 FWR   |
|-------------------------------|--|
| FCC compliance                | This device complies with part 15 of the FCC<br>Rules. Operation is subject to the following two<br>conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful<br>interference, and (2) this device must accept any<br>interference received, including interference that<br>may cause undesired operation. |
| Industry Canada<br>compliance | This Class A digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.  |
| Environmental<br>class        | Indoor, dry  |

## **Contact information**

For contact information, see www.edwardsfiresafety.com.