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CROUSE-HINDS SERIES

FCS-MBx-SG Megablock range*

Passive hubs for general purpose, Zone 2 & Division 2 fieldbus networks



Megablocks are DIN-rail mounted passive hubs for FOUNDATION[™] fieldbus networks. They connect several field devices to the network trunk cable and provide short circuit protection to the segment. Megablocks minimize hand wiring and allow individual devices to be added to and removed from the segment without disrupting network communication.

A green power LED on each unit indicates whether at least 9V dc is present. Megablocks are available in two, four, eight, ten and twelve drop versions. Multiple Megablocks are easily wired to one another to allow larger segments to be constructed.

Megablocks are available with an integral terminator making them ideal for a star or "chickenfoot" topology, where several devices are connected at a single field junction box. Separate Megablock Terminators are also available, whch may be wired easily to any Megablock. Megablocks having a built-in terminator are clearly marked ('T') for easy identification by field personnel.

Connections to the Megablock are made using pluggable, screwterminal type connectors. This allows wire terminations to be made to the individual connectors which are then plugged into the Megablock. Devices can then be connected and disconnected easily during commissioning. After commissioning, retaining screws are tightened to secure each connector to the Megablock.

Trunk connections for the fieldbus home-run/trunk cable are easily identified by their black connectors. Separate numbered connections are provided for each spur drop.

SpurGuard™ is a device-port, short circuit protection technique that minimizes susceptibility to single points of failure. Megablocks are available with built-in SpurGuard™ protectors that prevent a short circuit in any of the individual transmitters or spur cable runs, from bringing down the entire fieldbus segment. A red LED near each spur connection indicates when a spur is shorted and hence in "over-current" mode.

FCS-MBx-SG hazardous area approvals permit installation in a variety of configurations in Zone 2 and Division 2 hazardous areas. FCS-MBx and FCS-MBx-SG Megablocks may be installed with non-sparking (non-arcing) trunk and spur connections. Additionally, with FCS-MBx-SG SpurGuard[™] versions, the trunk may be non-sparking (non-arcing) with non-incendive spur connections, when fed from suitable fieldbus power supply types.

See the F2xx Megablock datasheet for Zone 1 and Division 1 hazardous areas applications. Additionally, for applications without SpurGuard short circuit protection, the FCS-MBx is certified for installation in intrinsically safe, fieldbus circuits in Zone 1 hazardous areas.

To select the Megablock for your application see the Ordering Information section of this document.

* including models without Spurguard™



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INSTALLATION

Megablocks can be mounted vertically or horizontally using 35 mm DIN rail within a suitable enclosure, such as a field junction box. Megablocks are removed from the DIN rail using a flat blade screwdriver to release the mounting platform. Use of DIN rail end stops is recommended to prevent sliding in vertical installations. Four, eight and ten port Megablocks have labeling areas so that segments can be easily identified according to plant standards.

MTL have a wide range of standard junction box designs for use with Megablocks. See the data sheet for the range of Process JBs.



Shown above is an example of a common Fieldbus segment topology. Twelve field devices are connected to a twelve-drop Megablock, which is mounted in a field junction box. The trunk connector on the Megablock is wired to the segment trunk cable that leads to the control room or marshalling panel where the power supply and second terminator are located.

GROUNDING

To prevent ground loops, a fieldbus segment should only be grounded at one point. This is usually done by grounding the cable shield at the control room end of the segment. If a permanent segment ground connection in the field is desired, this can be achieved by wiring the shield terminal on one of the Megablock trunk connectors to a suitable earth ground instead of wiring it to the shield terminal on the Megablock Terminator.

Fieldbus Connection System (FCS) wiring blocks are protected by U.S. Patents 6,366,437, 6,369,997 and 6,519,125.

SPECIFICATIONS

Moui	n ting requirements
3	5mm DIN rail
Wire	capacity
0	.14 to 2.5mm ²
Case	material
L	exan polycarbonate
Temp	perature range
O	uperating -45° to +70°C
S	torage -50° to +85°C
Volta	ige required to activate power LED
9	.2V dc minimum
Minir	num input voltage
1	0.5V (See Note 1 below)
Maxi	mum input voltage
Se	ee certification ratings
Maxi	mum input current
Se	ee certification ratings
Trunl	«-to-trunk voltage drop
0	.1V maximum
FCS-	MBx Megablock
Unlo	aded current consumption
4	.0 mA

- Spur device current not limited
- Spur short-circuit current
- Trunk-to-trunk voltage drop 0.1V maximum
- Trunk-to-spur voltage drop
 - 0.1V maximum

FCS-MBx-SG, F118 & F215 Megablock with SpurGuard[™]

Unloaded current consumption

No. of Ports	2	4	8	10	12
mA	4.0	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.5

Spur device current

46mA maximum (recommend one device per spur)

Spur short-circuit current

60mA maximum

Trunk-to-trunk voltage drop

0.1V maximum

Trunk-to-spur voltage drop 1.1V maximum

PHYSICAL NETWORK

IEC 61158-2

Foundation™ fieldbus H1 Profibus PA

Note 1: The minimum input voltage guarantees that the spur output under full load will be at least 9.3V so that the device will see at least 9.0V.

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CASE DIMENSIONS

2-WAY - FCS-MB2(-SG)





8-WAY - FCS-MB8, FCS-MB8-SG(-T)



Note: Different Megablock versions have minor variations in labelling.

4-WAY - FCS-MB4, FCS-MB4-SG(-T)



10-WAY - F118, FCS-MB10-T, FCS-MB10-SG(-T)

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CASE DIMENSIONS (cont)

12-WAY MEGABLOCKS

FCS-MB12-SG(-T)









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APPROVALS - for full certification information visit www.mtl-inst.com/support/certificates/

MODELS - FCS-MB2, FCS-MB4, FCS-MB8, FCS-MB10-T

Country	Europe	USA	Canada	Europe
Authority	ATEX (Category 3)	FM	FMc	LCIE
Standard	EN 60079-0 : 2009 EN 60079-15 : 2010	3600 1998 3611 1999 3810 1989	CSA C22.2 No. 213 1987 CSA E60079-0 2002 CSA E60079-15 2002 CSA C22.2 No.1010.1 1992 inc. Amendment 2 1997	EN60079-0 : 2009* EN60079-11 : 2007*
Approved for	E II 3 GD Ex nA IIC T4 Gc	NI/I/2/ABCD/T4 Ta=70°C I / 2 / IIC /T4 Ta=70°C	NI/I/2/ABCD/T4 Ta=70°C Ex nA IIC T4 Ta=70°C	E II 1G Ex ia IICT4
Certificate no.	RELC07ATEX1004X	3013269	3039410C	LCIE02ATEX6212X
Apparatus parameters (Trunk)	Non-arcing	Non-arcing $V_{max} = 32V$ $I_{max} = 1.5A$	Non-arcing V _{max} = 32V I _{max} = 1.5A	$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$
Cable parameters (Spur)	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$

* the original LCIE Certificate used EN 50014:1997 + Amendments 1 & 2 and EN 50020:1994. We have determined that there are no technical differences (affecting the products) between these standards and the currently harmonized EN standards listed above. Note 1: The figures quoted apply to IIC gas group. See certificate for parameter relating to groups IIB and IIA

MODELS - F118, F215, FCS-MB2-SG-[T], FCS-MB4-SG-[T], FCS-MB8-SG-[T], FCS-MB10-SG-[T], FCS-MB12-SG-[T]

Country	Europe	USA		Canada		
Authority	ATEX (Category 3)	FM	FM	FMc	FMc	
Standard	EN 60079-0 : 2009 EN 60079-15 : 2010	3600 1998 3611 1999 3810 1989	3600 1998 3611 1999 3810 1989	CSA C22.2 No. 213 :1987 CSA E60079-0: 2002 CSA E60079-15: 2002 CSA C22.2 No.1010.1:1992 + Amendment 2 1997	CSA C22.2 No. 213 :1987 CSA E60079-0: 2002 CSA E60079-15: 2002 CSA C22.2 No.1010.1:1992 + Amendment 2 1997	
Approved for	E II 3 G Ex nA IIC T4 Gc	NI/I/2/ABCD/T4 Ta=70°C I / 2 / IIC /T4 Ta=70°C	NI-ANI/I/2/ABCD/T4Ta=70°C NI-ANI/I/2/IIC/T4Ta=70°C	NI-ANI/I/2/ABCD/T4 Ta=70°C Ex nA [nL] IIC T4 Ta=70°C	NI/I/2/ABCD/T4 Ta=70°C Ex nA IICT4 Ta=70°C	
Certificate no.	RELC07A- TEX1001X	3013269	3013852	3039092C	3039410C	
Apparatus parameters (Trunk)	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	
Cable parameters (Spur)	Non-arcing	Non-arcing	Non-incendive $V_{oc} = 32V$ $I_{sc} = 60mA$ $C_a = 85nF$ $L_a = 0.26mH$	Non-incendive $V_{oc} = 32V$ $I_{sc} = 60mA$ $C_a = 85nF$ $L_a = 0.26mH$	Non-arcing	

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ORDERING INFORMATION

	No SpurGuard™	With SpurGuard™ short-circuit protection
	General Purpose, Zone/Division 2 and Intrinsically Safe	General Purpose and Zone/Division 2
Megablocks		
2 way	FCS-MB2	FCS-MB2-SG
4 way	FCS-MB4	FCS-MB4-SG
4 way with internal Terminator	-	FCS-MB4-SG-T
8 way	FCS-MB8	FCS-MB8-SG
8 way with internal Terminator	-	FCS-MB8-SG-T
10 way	-	FCS-MB10-SG
10 way with internal Terminator	FCS-MB10-T	FCS-MB10-SG-T
10 way with switched Terminator	-	F118
12 way	-	FCS-MB12-SG
12 way with internal terminator	-	FCS-MB12-SG-T
12 way with switched Terminator	-	F215

See Fieldbus Terminators datasheet for details of separate, DIN-rail mounted terminators

ACCESSORIES

Description	Part Number
Heavy Duty DIN rail end stop	ETL7000
35mm DIN Rail, 1 metre length	THR7000
Process JB stainless steel, painted‡	FCS-75XX
Process JB carbon loaded GRP‡	FCS-85XX
Process JB stainless steel‡	FCS-95XX

‡ See Process JB data sheets for further details



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