# F200-IS megablock range

MTL intrinsically safe fieldbus device couplers





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#### **GENERAL SAFETY INFORMATION**

The following methods are used in this manual to alert the user to important information:-



#### WARNING!

Warnings are provided to ensure operator safety and MUST be followed.

#### **CAUTION**

Cautions are provided to prevent damage to the instrument.

#### NOTE

These are used to give general information to ensure correct operation.

#### SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLATION AND OPERATING PERSONNEL

The operating instructions provided here contain **essential safety instructions** for installation personnel and those engaged in the operation, maintenance and servicing of the equipment.



#### WARNING!

Failure to comply with these instructions can endanger the lives or health of personnel and risk damage to the plant and the environment.



#### WARNING!

The responsibility for planning, installation, commissioning, operation and maintenance, particularly with respect to applications in explosion-hazard areas, lies with the plant operator.

## Before commencing installation or commissioning:

- Read and understand the contents of this manual and the product datasheet
- Ensure installation and operating personnel have received adequate training for this task
- Ensure that any operating instructions are fully understood by the personnel responsible.
- Observe national and local installation and mounting regulations (e.g. IEC 60079-14).



## WARNING!

If these assemblies have been used previously in general electrical installations, they MAY NOT be used in explosion-hazard area applications.

## **During operation:**

- Make the relevant instructions available at all times to the operating personnel.
- Observe safety instructions.
- Observe national safety and accident prevention regulations.
- Operate the equipment within its published specification.
- Servicing, maintenance work or repairs not described in this manual must not be performed without prior agreement with the manufacturer.
- Any damage to this equipment may render its explosion protection null and void.
- No changes to any of the components that might impair their explosion protection are permitted.

## If any information provided here is not clear:

• Contact Eaton's MTL product line or one of its representatives.

#### NOTE

Improper installation and operation of the enclosure can result in the invalidation of the guarantee.

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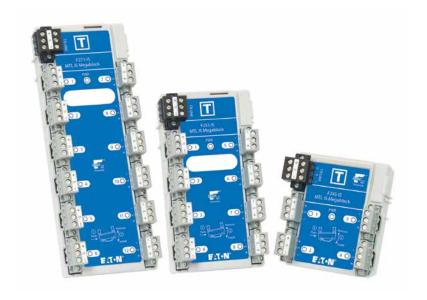


Figure 1.1 - Megablock models F271-IS, F251-IS and F245-IS

#### 1 OVERVIEW

F200-IS Megablocks are DIN-rail mounted, device couplers for FOUNDATION<sup>TM</sup> fieldbus or Profibus PA networks. They allow connection of field devices to the segment 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.

Megablocks are available in four, eight, and twelve port versions. Multiple Megablocks are easily wired together to allow larger segments to be constructed.

Individual surge-protector modules (FS32) can also be fitted to any of the Megablock fieldbus terminals to provide protection against induced surges and transients that can potentially destroy or degrade certain components inside the F200-IS Megablocks.

#### 2 DESCRIPTION

## Simple and reliable interconnection

Each Megablock has dedicated connections for the fieldbus "home run" or trunk cable. Trunk connections are identified by their black connector. Numbered (grey) connectors are provided for each spur.

Wiring connections to the Megablock are made using pluggable connectors (screw terminal type are standard, but other connection styles are available). These allow wire terminations to be made to the individual connectors, which are then plugged into the Megablock. Devices can be connected and disconnected easily during commissioning. On completion, the connector retaining screws are tightened to secure each connector to the Megablock.

#### **Short-circuit protection**

To minimize susceptibility to single points of failure, F200-IS Megablocks are provided with built-in SpurGuard™ short-circuit protectors, which prevent the entire Fieldbus segment from being pulled down in the event of a short circuit on any one of the individual field devices or spur cable runs.

#### NOTE

During a short circuit, the shorted spur draws more current than a normal Fieldbus device - this must be taken into account in segment design.

#### Diagnostic aids

Each Megablock comes with a green LED to indicate whether DC Power is present, and a red LED next to each numbered spur indicates when the spur is in short circuit.

#### 3 COMPONENTS AND ACCESSORIES

Product part numbers and their descriptions are listed below.

Part Number	Description
F24x-IS[-PC]*	4-way Megablock
F25x-IS[-PC]*	8-way Megablock
F271-IS[-PC]*	12-way Megablock
FS32	Spur surge protector module
F300-BAR-5	FS32 grounding bars for trunk - pack of 5
F304-BAR-10	FS32 grounding bars for F304 - pack of 10 †
F308-BAR-10	FS32 grounding bars for F308 - pack of 10 t
F312-BAR-10	FS32 grounding bars for F312 - pack of 10 †

<sup>\*</sup> The standard connector for the Megablock is a pluggable screw terminal (elevator type). Pluggable spring-clamp connectors rely on constant spring pressure to maintain contact with the wire. To order Megablocks with pluggable spring-clamp connectors, add a –PC suffix to the part number (i.e. F251-IS-PC).

## 4 MECHANICAL

#### 4.1 Mounting orientation

Megablocks mount vertically or horizontally on 35mm DIN rail within a field junction box. The use of DIN rail end stops are recommended to prevent sliding (especially for vertical installations).

Eight, and twelve port Megablocks have areas on their body for labelling so that segments can be easily identified according to plant standards.

## 4.2 Enclosure requirements

## 4.2.1 General requirements

Megablocks may be mounted in hazardous (classified) areas – see sections 8 & 9. The following conditions must also be satisfied to ensure safe and reliable operation.

- a) Prevent any form of pollution that could compromise the operation of the unit.
  For example, choose an unpolluted location or a suitable enclosure to protect the assembly.
- b) Provide an adequate level of mechanical protection. This can be achieved by selecting a protected location, a suitable enclosure, or a combination of both.
- c) Ensure that all cable entries and connections are secure by making provision for the careful routing and securing of all cables.
- d) Provide adequate security against unauthorized interference.
- e) Conform to the permitted ambient temperature range of -50°C to +70°C.

<sup>†</sup> One bar provides grounding for one side of the Megablock. Therefore up to two bars may be required for each Megablock.

#### 4.2.2 Outdoor mounting

In addition to the General Requirements above, if the Megablock is mounted in an outdoor location, use a suitable enclosure with a minimum of IP54 ingress protection. A higher level of ingress protection rating will be necessary if the working atmosphere is, or can be, corrosive, or if the enclosure is subject to wet or dusty environments.

## 4.3 DIN-rail mounting

The Megablocks are designed for mounting on 35mm x 7.5mm T-section "top hat" DIN rail to EN50022 and use built-in DIN rail clips to attach to the rail.

### 4.3.1 Mounting procedure

Megablocks are attached to the DIN rail using a "push-and-tilt" method - as illustrated on the body label and in Figure 4.1 below.

Tilt the Megablock towards the trunk-connector side of the Megablock and then engage the DIN-rail clips under the ledge of the DIN rail. Push the Megablock against the edge of the rail then rotate the Megablock until it sits flat onto the DIN rail, then release the pressure to allow the clips on the other side to engage.

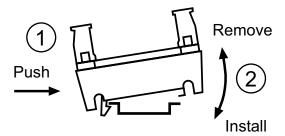


Figure 4.1: DIN Rail Installation and Removal

## 4.4 Removal from DIN-rail

Refering to Figure 4.1, push the Megablock against the edge of the DIN rail, tilt the other side of the Megablock up and away from the DIN rail, then release the side pressure to disengage the DIN rail clips from the DIN rail ledge.

#### 5 ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

The Trunk and Spur connectors are pluggable (with securing screws) and available in the standard screw-terminal version or a spring-clamp version. Megablocks with spring clamp connectors have a –PC suffix on the Megablock part number. See Figures 5.1 and 5.2. The terminals can accept the following conductor sizes:

Туре	Conductor size	
Screw terminals	0.14 to 2.5mm <sup>2</sup>	
Spring clamp terminals (-PC)	0.20 to 2.5mm <sup>2</sup>	

#### NOTE

A torque screwdriver set between 0.5 - 0.6Nm is recommended for tightening all terminal screws.



Figure 5.1: Screw Terminal



Figure 5.2: Spring Clamp

#### **NOTE**

When wiring to spring-clamp terminals, use a screwdriver with a 3-4 mm blade to depress the spring-clamp button before inserting the termination cable. See Figure 5.2.

#### 5.1 DC Power Requirements

Megablocks draw DC power from the fieldbus trunk segment they are connected to. The minimum DC input voltage, and current required, vary with the Megablock type. Refer to the F200-IS datasheet for exact current requirements. The maximum input voltage is 24V DC, but a lower voltage may be required in order to achieve safety in some hazardous area applications - refer to the Control Drawings in Sections 8 & 9 of this manual.

#### 5.2 Trunk connections

Each trunk connector provides two sets of interlinked (+), (-) and cable screen (S) connections.

The second connection enables the user to onward connect the trunk to a further Megablock and avoids breaking the upstream connection if the Megablock needs to be removed.

See Section 5.4 for information on cable screen grounding.

#### 5.3 Spur port connections

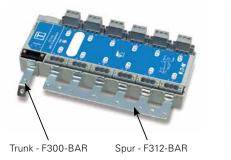
Each spur port connector provides (+), (–) and cable screen (S) connections. See section 5.4 for information on cable screen grounding.

#### 5.4 Cable screen connections

The 'S' screen terminals for the trunk and the spurs are interconnected/commoned within the F200-IS device and should be grounded at only *one point* for the whole segment (i.e. a single-point ground). The recommended position for that connection is in the control room close to the power supply at the DCS, or else in accordance with local system practice.

## 5.5 Surge protection

Each fieldbus terminal, trunk or spur, on a Megablock can be fitted with an FS32 surge protector to prevent damage to the internal components. The FS32 uses the same pluggable connector as the field connector; so the field connector is removed, the FS32 inserted and the original field connector is fitted to the FS32. See Figure 5.3 & 5.4.



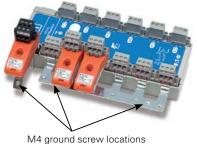


Figure 5.3: Typical grounding bars

Figure 5.4: With some FS32 modules

Mounting brackets, known as "grounding bars," can be fitted into ready moulded positions on both sides of the Megablock. (Grounding bar types are chosen to suit the model - see page 2.) The FS32 has a central mounting screw to provide a mechanical and electrical connection to the grounding bar. The bar must then be wired to a low-impedance, protective local ground point in order to dissipate any induced surge currents.

To mount FS32 surge protection modules on a Megablock:

- 1. Remove and retain the pluggable terminals from one side of the Megablock.
- 2. Locate the grounding bar lugs in the moulded positions on the side of the Megablock and press it firmly into place see Figure 5.3.
- 3. Repeat 1 and 2 for the other side of the Megablock, if required.
- 4. Use an M4 screw and ring terminal (not supplied) to connect *each* grounding bar to a suitable low-impedance ground point see Figure 5.4.
- 5. Mount an FS32 into one of the empty sockets and tighten its two plug screws, then tighten the grounding screw into the mounting bar.
- 6. Insert one of the pluggable terminals into the FS32 and tighten its securing screws.
- 7. Repeat 5 and 6 for all the other FS32 modules.

A separate grounding bar (F300-BAR) is used for the trunk connector, which must be similarly connected to ground - see Figures 5.3 & 5.4.

Follow a similar procedure to the one above for the trunk circuit.

## 6 TESTING

#### 6.1 Power LED

Each Megablock has a green power LED (labelled PWR). This LED lights when the segment DC voltage exceeds 10V to indicate power is present.

## 6.2 Spur LEDs

A red LED is located next to each Megablock spur port. The LED lights when the SpurGuard $^{TM}$  current-limiting function is activated by a short-circuit on the spur.

## 7 ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

Check the general condition of the installation periodically to make sure that no deterioration has occurred. At least every two years (and more frequently for particularly harsh environments) check that:

- cable, wire connections, terminations, and screens are in good condition
- the green Power LED is lit
- no red spur LEDs are lit
- no signs of damage or corrosion are present



#### WARNING!

The plastic parts can store static charge. Clean only with a damp cloth to prevent static buildup.

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#### 8 ATEX SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (502-999)

The following information is in accordance with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements (Annex II) of the EU Directive 2014/34/EC [the ATEX Directive - safety of apparatus] and is provided for those locations where the ATEX Directive is applicable.

#### 8.1 General

- a) In common with all other electrical apparatus installed in hazardous areas, this apparatus must only be installed, operated and maintained by competent personnel. Such personnel shall have undergone training, which included instruction on the various types of protection and installation practices, the relevant rules and regulations, and on the general principles of area classification. Appropriate refresher training shall be given on a regular basis. [See clause 4.2 of EN 60079-17].
- b) This apparatus meets the requirements of electrical apparatus in accordance with EN 60079-0:2012+A11:2013 and EN 60079-11:2012.
- c) This apparatus provides protection against all the relevant additional hazards referred to in Annex II of the directive, such as those in clause 1.2.7.

#### 8.2 Installation

- a) The installation must comply with the appropriate European, national and local regulations, which may include reference to the IEC code of practice IEC 60079-14. In addition, particular industries or end users may have specific requirements relating to the safety of their installations and these requirements should also be met. For the majority of installations the Directive 1999/92/EC [the ATEX Directive safety of installations] is also applicable.
- b) This apparatus is an electrical apparatus and is normally mounted in a hazardous area (Zone 1 or 2). It must be mounted in an enclosure with an IP54 or better rating according to EN 60529.
- c) This apparatus must not be subjected to mechanical and thermal stresses in excess of those permitted in the certification documentation, this safety information and the product specification. The product must be protected by an enclosure to prevent physical damage.
- d) The apparatus must not be installed in a position where it may be attacked by aggressive substances and must be protected from excessive dust, moisture and other contaminants by the enclosure.
- e) Mount on 7.5mm x 35mm 'top hat' DIN Rail according to the instructions on the device cover. Use DIN Rail end stops is recommended for vertical DIN Rail installations.
- f) Connect using Fieldbus Checkmarked cable per Control Drawing, section 8.8 on page 10.



### 8.3 Inspection and maintenance

- a) Inspection and maintenance should be carried out in accordance with European, national and local regulations which may refer to the IEC standard IEC 60079-17.
   In addition, specific industries or end users may have specific requirements which should also be met.
- b) Access to the internal circuitry must not be made during operation or at any other time.
- c) If the outer enclosure of the apparatus needs to be cleaned, this should be done with a cloth lightly moistened by a dilute mixture of detergent in water.

## 8.4 Repair

This product must not be repaired. It must be replaced by an equivalent certified product.

#### 8.5 Marking

Each F200-IS Megablock is marked with the following information:

Company Name and Address (shown below)

Product Number

Certificate number - LCIE 17 ATEX 3010 X

Ex classification - II 1 G Ex ia IIC T4 Ga

CE mark and Notified Body Number (LCIE) - 0081

Ambient Temperature range - -50C ≤ Tamb ≤ 70C

#### 8.6 Special Conditions for Safe Use

- The equipment must be only connected to certified associated intrinsically safe equipment. This combination must be compatible in regards to the intrinsically safe rules.
- The F200-IS Megablock MUST be mounted in an IP54 (minimum) rated enclosure. The enclosure must be selected in order to avoid electrostatic charging hazard.
- Ambient temperature range: -50°C to +70°C.

## 8.7 Typical certification marking



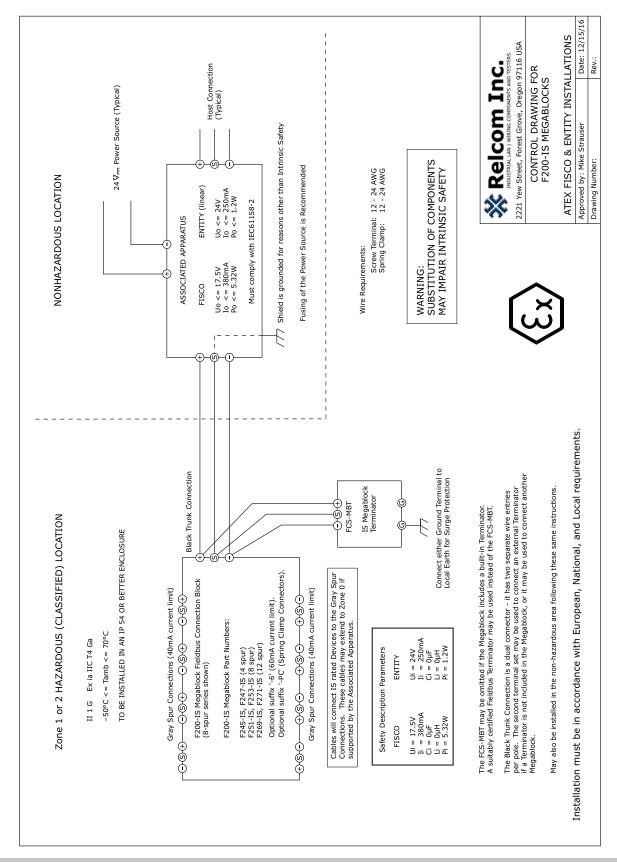


## NOTE

For details of IECEx approvals see Section 9 starting on page 12.



## 8.8 ATEX - Control drawing





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#### 9 IEC Ex INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS (503-320)

#### 9.1 General

- a) In common with all other electrical apparatus installed in hazardous areas, this apparatus must only be installed, operated and maintained by competent personnel. Such personnel shall have undergone training, which included instruction on the various types of protection and installation practices, the relevant rules and regulations, and on the general principles of area classification. Appropriate refresher training shall be given on a regular basis.
- b) This apparatus meets the requirements of electrical apparatus in accordance with IEC 60079-0:2011 and IEC 60079-11:2011.

## 9.2 Installation

- a) The installation must comply with the appropriate European, national and local regulations, which may include reference to the IEC code of practice IEC 60079-14.
   In addition, particular industries or end users may have specific requirements relating to the safety of their installations and these requirements should also be met.
- b) This apparatus is an electrical apparatus and is normally mounted in a hazardous area (Zone 1 or 2). It must be mounted in an enclosure with an IP54 or better.
- c) This apparatus must not be subjected to mechanical and thermal stresses in excess of those permitted in the certification documentation, this safety information and the product specification. The product must be protected by an enclosure to prevent physical damage.
- d) The apparatus must not be installed in a position where it may be attacked by aggressive substances and must be protected from excessive dust, moisture and other contaminants by the enclosure.
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- f) Connect using Fieldbus Checkmarked cable per Control Drawing, section 9.7 on page 14.

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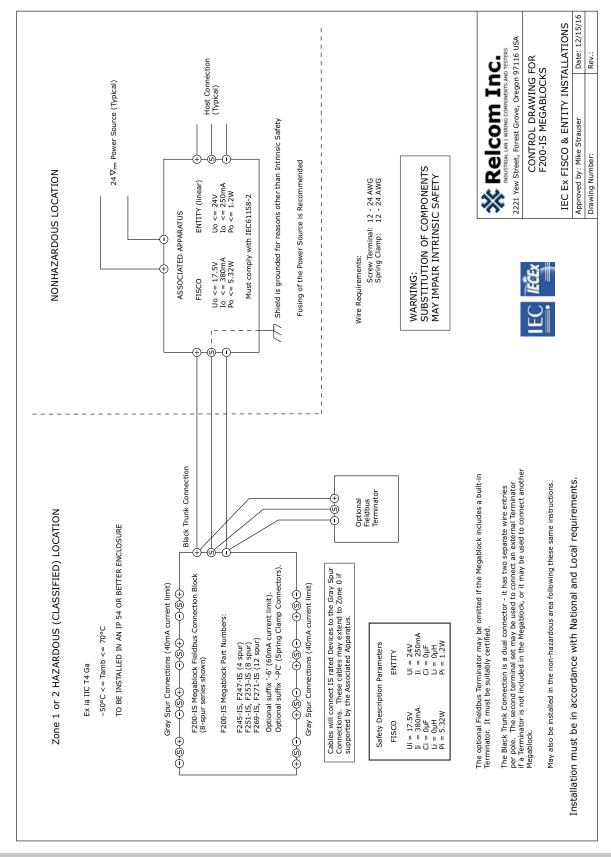
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- b) Product Number
- c) Certificate number IECEx LCI 11.0068X
- d) Ex classification Ex ia IICT4 Ga
- e) Ambient Temperature range -50C  $\leq$  Tamb  $\leq$  70C

## 9.6 Special Conditions for Safe Use

- The equipment must be only connected to certified associated intrinsically safe equipment. This combination must be compatible in regards to the intrinsically safe rules.
- The F200-IS Megablock MUST be mounted in an IP54 (minimum) rated enclosure. The enclosure must be selected in order to avoid electrostatic charging hazard.
- Ambient temperature range: -50°C to +70°C.



## 9.7 IEC Ex - Control drawing





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