

# EST3 Smoke Management Application Manual



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# Chapter 1 Building fire geometry and smoke movement

# **Summary**

This chapter introduces the basics of smoke development and control. Theory of smoke management and building equipment for smoke control are covered along with requirements for the installation of an effective EST3 smoke control system (SCS).

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# Introduction to the fire problem

# Architectural factors in the spread of smoke

Smoke is considered the primary hazard that puts occupants of buildings at risk during a fire. Heat from fire, while an important threat, is usually confined to the area of fire origin. In contrast, smoke readily spreads from the area of fire origin to adjacent rooms or spaces and to parts of a building remote from the origin of the fire. Smoke can contaminate escape routes including stairs and elevators, rendering them unusable and resulting in occupants who are trapped in or near the fire due to their inability to escape.

More people in building fires are exposed to the hazards of smoke than heat. Smoke is a particularly serious hazard in buildings requiring long egress times for complete evacuation. As buildings increase in height the hazard to occupants increases also, with the time for a high building to become tenable being less than the building's actual evacuation time.

From a smoke management standpoint, a high-rise building is one in which evacuation time of able-bodied and mobility-impaired occupants is considered excessive. Model building and fire codes typically classify high-rise buildings as those with the highest floor 75 feet or more above grade. Local modifications to the nationally recognized codes in some areas classify high-rise buildings as being six or more floors or as little as 50 feet above grade. The lower height classifications for high-rise buildings are often based upon the height which fire department aerial ladders can reach. Buildings classified as high-rise buildings typically require the installation of automatic sprinklers.

Early high-rise buildings did not impose major smoke hazard problems in fires due to noncombustible or limited combustible construction materials and extensive compartmentation. Since mid-century, changes in construction materials, building design, and occupancy practices have resulted in increased fire loads.

Fire compartment size has increased with central core service areas and open floor plans. Combustible furnishings, interior linings, ceiling tiles, partitions, and thermal and electrical insulation in modern buildings have increased the fire load compared to earlier buildings. Modern materials, such as plastics, generate dense toxic smoke, which increases the threat to occupants in a fire.

In 1963, John Portman, an architect and developer, introduced modern large building atriums as a building element in the 23-story Hyatt Regency hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Atrium buildings, which provide large interior spaces, have gained in popularity to the point of being used in nearly all types of occupancies.

Atriums in hotels, malls, hospitals and office buildings interconnect floor spaces and create new problems in confining fire and smoke movement. In the late 1960s, building and fire code officials in North America recognized the increased fire hazards created by atriums and universally required the installation of automatic sprinkler systems in larger atriums and adjacent spaces.

Fire and smoke in an atrium initially moves and performs similar to a fire in an open outdoor area with heat and smoke rising and spreading towards the ceiling. However, with the interaction of automatic sprinklers, mechanical air movement, and the atrium ceiling, the atrium and adjacent floor spaces can quickly become contaminated with smoke. Occupants relying upon egress paths using exits or enclosed stairs through atriums are dependent upon the ability to use these spaces in the early stages of a fire event. Smoke control systems are a critical element in the common space evacuation scenario.

# Smoke management

Smoke management is one of the primary tools used in the built environment for containing the effects of fire. Smoke management includes all methods that can be used alone or in combination to modify smoke movement for the benefit of occupants or firefighters, or to reduce property damage. The mechanisms of compartmentation, dilution, airflow, pressurization, and buoyancy are used alone or in combination to manage smoke conditions in fires.

Smoke control is a subset of smoke management and is accepted as being an engineered system that uses mechanical fans to produce airflow and pressure differences across smoke barriers to limit and direct smoke movement.

Both NFPA 101, The Life Safety Code, and NFPA 90A, Standard for Air Conditioning Systems, recognize that smoke control may be either active or passive.

The passive approach recognizes the long-standing compartmentation concept, which requires that fans shut down and fire/smoke dampers in ductwork close under fire conditions. The active approach, which applies NFPA 92 criteria utilizes the building's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems to create differential pressures to prevent smoke migration from the fire area and to exhaust the products of combustion to the outside. Active smoke control systems use passive barrier components to create zones or areas for effective smoke movement as an essential component.

# **Products of combustion**

### **Fire**

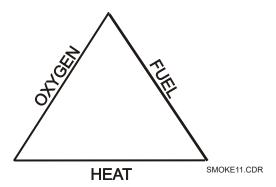
As a fire burns, it:

- Generates heat
- Changes major portions of the burning material or fuel from its original chemical composition to other compounds which include carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, and water
- Transports a portion of the unburned fuel as soot or other material that may or may not have undergone chemical change

The Fire Triangle, used to explain the components that make up fire is important in understanding smoke control systems. The oxygen leg of the triangle is always present and will allow combustion to take place. The heat leg of the triangle, which presents the ignition source, is limited or controlled in most built environments. Smoke control-systems designed to protect people from the effects of fire are installed in environments with low or ordinary hazard contents in the protected space. What there is to burn (the fuel leg) will dictate to a large degree the kinds of fires that can be expected in an area. The size, location, and character of the fans and other components in an engineered smoke control system must consider the fuel loading for an area.

The nature of the fuel only affects the quantity of smoke produced in relation to the size of the fire and depends upon what is burning and the rate at which it is burning. Evaluating and limiting what there is to burn helps in the determination of what kinds of smoke will be produced for a given fire or area.

Figure 1: The fire triangle



# **Smoke**

Smoke produced in a fire varies from fire to fire and over time in the same fire. In examining smoke development, the constituent parts of smoke will therefore fluctuate. The plume of hot gases above a fire has many parts that can be placed into one of three general groups:

- · Hot vapors and gases given off by the burning material
- Unburned decomposition and condensation matter (may be light colored to black and sooty)
- · A quantity of air heated by the fire and entrained in to the rising plume

The cloud surrounding most fires and called smoke consists of a well-mixed combination of these three groups and will contain gases, vapors, and dispersed solid particles.

The volume of smoke produced, its density, and toxicity will depend upon the material that is burning and its geometry. The nature of the fuel only affects the quantity of smoke produced in as far as the size of the fire depends on what is burning and the rate it is burning.

### Smoke movement

Smoke can behave very differently in tall buildings when compared to low buildings. In low buildings, the influences of the fire, including heat, convective movement, and fire pressures, can be the major factors that cause smoke movement. Tall buildings have the combined effects found in small buildings in addition to smoke and heat movement by convection and radiation upwards. Accepted engineering approaches to smoke removal and venting practices reflect these influences.

A major cause of fire spread across the floor of a building is heat radiated downwards from the layer of hot gases beneath the ceiling. Roof venting will limit fire spread because it limits the spread of hot gases under the roof. In the alternative, if the major cause of fire spread is due to flame progressing sideward, at floor level and through readily combustible material, roof venting will less readily limit fire spread. Roof venting, addressed in NFPA 204, Guide for Smoke and Heat Venting, will only slow sideward movement because it will limit the extent to which heat is radiated downward and will be only one factor in the sideward development of a fire.

All fires produce smoke and the movement of smoke will follow the same pattern as the overall air movement within a building. Very simply, a smoke control system needs to be able to inhibit the flow of smoke within a building.

Smoke movement is determined by two central factors in a fire. These are the:

- Smoke's buoyancy due to the entrainment of hot gases which are less dense than the surrounding air
- Normal air movement inside a building, which may have nothing to do with the fire, can carry smoke around a building in a positive way

The magnitude of these two smoke-moving factors will depend upon particular circumstances and will vary throughout a building. In general, the smoke closer to the fire poses the greatest risk. The movement caused by the smoke's mobility is due to pressure differentials developed by the:

- · Expansion of the gases as they are heated by the fire
- Difference in density of the hot gases above the flames
- Cooler air which surrounds the fire

Air movement in a building in non-fire conditions can be caused by three separate factors: stack effect, wind load, or HVAC (mechanical) systems. In a fire, these same factors are equally influential.

# Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: Orly Airport

Details	Event
Location: Paris, France Date: December 1973 Fatalities: None Injuries: None	A fire in a low voltage sub-station in the building's second basement spread through cables in service ducts. Unsealed shafts for cables, an unenclosed stairwell, cavities, shafts, and openings in concrete floor slabs allowed smoke to spread to the six levels above. No smoke control system was in place.

### Stack effect

The stack effect is the pressure differential due to the air inside a building being at a different temperature from the air outside the building. Stack effect will cause the air inside the building to move upwards or downwards, depending upon whether the air inside the building is warmer or cooler than the air outside the building.

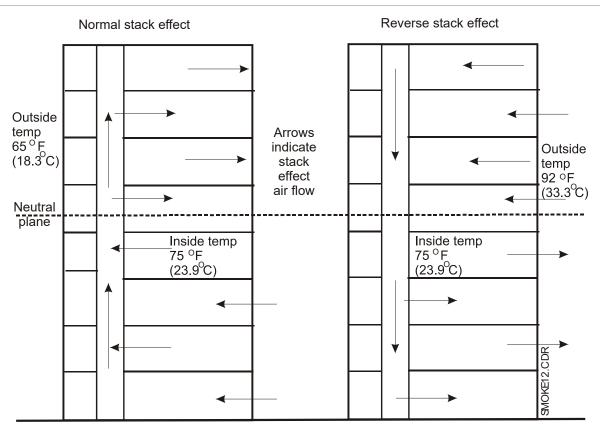
Air within a building has a tendency to rise because it is warmer and less dense than the outside air. The taller a building is and the greater the temperature differences between the building interior and exterior are, the greater the tendency for air to rise in the building's shafts.

The opposite is true when the outside temperature is warmer than the temperature inside the building causing a downward movement of air within building shafts. This is referred to as reverse stack effect. The overall airflow tendencies in a building due to normal and reverse stack effect are shown in Figure 2.

### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: TAE YON KAK Hotel

Details	Event
Location: Seoul Korea Fatalities: 163 Injuries: 60	The eighteen-month-old hotel with 21 stories was fully involved in a fire that started in the lobby coffee shop. The fire traveled up vertical shafts and ducts early in the fire. Openings in suspended ceilings and combustible interior finishes encouraged fire and smoke spread throughout the building. No smoke control system was in place.

Figure 2: Airflow due to stack effect

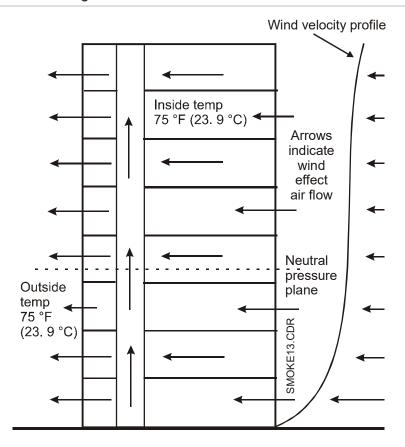


In a building with reverse stack effect, only relatively cool smoke will follow the downward tendency of air into a shaft. If a smoldering fire occurs on a floor above the neutral plane during a reverse stack effect condition, the smoke will travel into and down the shaft and deposit itself on the floors below the neutral plane. In the case of hot smoke, buoyancy forces can counteract normal reverse stack effect causing the smoke to move up a shaft.

The neutral plane of a building or space is defined as the elevation where the hydrostatic pressure inside the building equals the outside pressure. Normally the neutral plane is located near the midpoint of the building, but can occur at any floor and depends upon building design. The neutral plane of a building is determined prior to the design of a smoke control system. ASHRAE's *Design of Smoke Management Systems* contains methods for calculating the neutral plane of a building or space.

### Wind load

Figure 3: Wind effects on a building



All buildings are to some extent leaky and wind penetration through these leaks contributes to internal air movement. Wind can have a dramatic effect on smoke movement depending upon the wind speed and direction, the characteristics of the surrounding terrain (including the shielding effect of adjacent buildings), and the building shape and height.

In fires if a window breaks or is left open in a fire compartment, it has an effect on smoke movement. If the opening is on the windward side of the building, the wind causes a buildup of pressure in the fire compartment and forces smoke throughout the floor and possibly to other floors. Pressures caused by the wind in this condition can be large and easily dominate smoke movement through the building.

If the opening is on the leeward side of the building, the reverse is true. The negative pressure created by the wind vents the smoke from the fire compartment, greatly reducing the smoke movement through the building.

# **HVAC** systems

Mechanical air handling systems inside a building condition and move air under normal conditions and can affect the movement of smoke in a fire. Before we reached our current understanding of smoke movement in buildings, most HVAC Systems were shut down when fires occurred for two primary reasons:

- The HVAC system rapidly advanced smoke movement from the room of fire origin to every area the system served.
- The HVAC system supplied air to the room of origin and thus had the potential to help accelerate the fire.

### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: One New York Plaza

Details	Event
Location: New York, New York Date: August 1970 Damage: \$10 Fatalities: 2 Injuries: 50	A 50-story office building in which a fire started on the 32nd floor. The fire and smoke was drawn into the air conditioning system and then to elevator shafts, stairways, and air conditioning supply and return shafts. Return air fans continued to run throughout the fire. No smoke control system was in place.

An HVAC system may aid in the detection of fire in its early stages when area smoke detection is not provided. The HVAC system can transport smoke from an unoccupied area to one where smoke detection or occupants are present and can then alert others of the fire.

Once fire is detected, HVAC systems installed in accordance with NFPA 90A and utilizing an internal smoke detector will shut down fans and dampers or provide a special smoke control mode. NFPA 90A-3-4 contains damper shutdown provisions. NFPA 90A-4-4 contains provisions for smoke detectors when area detectors are not used in air distribution systems:

- Downstream of air filters and ahead of any branch connections in air supply systems having a capacity greater than 2000 cfm (944 L/s)
- At each story prior to the connection to a common return and prior to any recirculation or fresh air inlet connections in air return systems having a capacity greater than 15,000 cfm (7,080 L/s) and serving more than one story

**Note:** See NFPA 72, paragraph 5-10 and associated appendix material for guidance on installing smoke detectors used in smoke control systems.

If neither of the NFPA 90A steps are taken, the HVAC system will transport smoke to every area that a system serves; putting occupants in peril, damaging property, and possibly inhibiting fire fighting.

Shutting down fans does not prevent smoke movement through supply and return air ducts, air shafts, and other building openings due to stack effect, buoyancy, and wind. Installation of smoke dampers for when the system is shut down will help inhibit smoke movement in this case. Again, NFPA 90A contains damper requirements that are referenced by building and fire codes, standards, or guidelines used in the design and installation of smoke management systems.

### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: First Canadian Place

Details	Event
Location: Toronto, ON Date: June 1993 Fatalities: 0 Injuries: 5	A 72-story office building with a smoke control system installed to pressurize stairwells and elevator shafts. A fire on the 34th floor in an elevator shaft caused the sprinkler system to activate. A single sprinkler controlled the fire.
	It took approximately 80 minutes to evacuate the entire building. The injuries reported were all attributed to heat exhaustion.
	Secondary fire alarms activated by smoke detectors throughout the upper levels of the building where occupants reported a smoke smell, but little visible smoke.
	The mechanical air systems were manually put into the fire-mode sequence, shutting down building fans and pressurizing stairwells. The return air fans were first shut down and the 34th floor damper was manually opened. Restarting of the return air fans resulted in the smoke being exhausted to the exterior from the fire floor.

# Additional contributing factors

**Thermal Expansion:** In addition to stack effect, buoyancy, and HVAC factors, the energy released by a fire can cause smoke movement due to thermal expansion.

In a fire compartment with only one opening to the building, air will flow into the compartment and hot smoke will flow out. For a fire compartment with open doors and windows, the movement of smoke due to expansion is negligible. However, the effects of expansion should be taken into consideration for tightly sealed compartments where fires can occur.

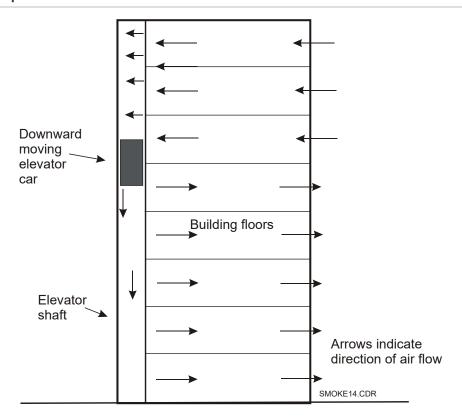
It is possible for the volume of smoke to almost triple in size when temperatures over 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit (538 °C) are reached. For tightly sealed compartments the buildup of pressure resulting from expansion causes smoke movement through any leakage paths in the walls or around doors.

**Elevator piston effect:** Vertical shafts for elevators can be significant contributors to smoke movement in a building when no control measures are in place.

The downward movement of an elevator car in a shaft produces temporary pressure differences both above and below the car and a temporary pressure decrease in the area above the car. The reverse is true for an upward moving elevator car. The temporary pressure increase in the elevator shaft tends to move air into the floors below the car and the temporary pressure decrease tends to move air from the floors above into the elevator shaft, as shown in Figure 4.

Pressure differences, due to the piston effect, are greater in single car elevator shafts as compared to multiple car shafts. In a multiple car shaft there is usually more room to the left and right of the moving car to allow for pressure relief.

Figure 4: Elevator piston effects



### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: Inn on the Park Hotel

Details	Event
Location: North York, ON Date: January 1981 Fatalities: 6 Injuries: 67	A 23-story hotel complex with a 2:15 a.m. fire in an electrical closet. Doors to two elevator cars were open at the fire floor level at the time of the fire and smoke moved through the elevator shafts to guestroom floors from the 6th to the 22nd level. The smoke contamination was greatest on the higher floors where smoke moved most readily into guestrooms. No smoke control system was in place at the time of the fire.

**Automatic sprinkler systems:** Automatic sprinklers are nearly always dictated as a component of large space or tall building fire protection.

In designing a smoke control system, the size of the expected fire must be determined as a base for sizing the air handling equipment for smoke control. Escape routes must be kept usable for extended periods of time and this means that the size of the fire must be limited to ensure that the smoke control installation will not be overwhelmed by a growing fire.

Automatic sprinklers are essential in order to limit the size of a possible fire. Sprinklers can affect smoke in two ways:

- Sprinklers can, by the discharge of water spray through the smoke layer, bring the smoke down to a low level.
- By cooling the smoke, automatic sprinklers can reduce smoke buoyancy and slow down the movement of smoke through roof or ceiling vents.

Automatic suppression systems are an integral part of many fire protection designs, and the efficacy of such systems in controlling building fires is well documented. Klote and Milke, in Design of Smoke Management Systems, point out that:

"While it is important to recognize that while the functions of fire suppression and smoke management are both desirable fire safety features; they should not be readily substituted for each other."

One of the best ways to address the smoke problem in a fire is to prevent or reduce smoke production. To the extent that a suppression system slows the burning rate, it reduces the smoke problem. For fires that are suppressed rather than extinguished, some smoke is produced. This smoke can move through a building due to varied driving forces as discussed in general in this chapter. Well-designed smoke management systems can maintain tenable conditions along critical escape routes, but will have little effect on the fire.

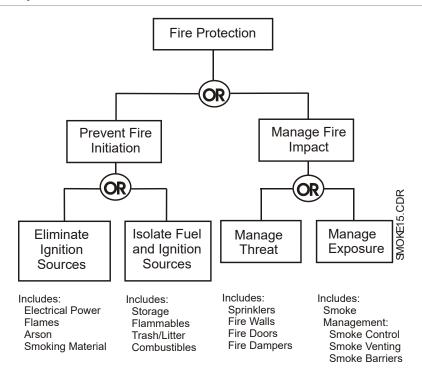
Where automatic sprinklers are installed, the determination of fire size for smoke control calculations is based upon limited fire spread, typically a fire size to 9.8 ft. x 9.8 ft. (3 m x 3 m).

# Principals of smoke control

# Fire protection approaches

Smoke management is only one component of an overall building fire protection system. The two basic approaches to fire protection are to prevent fire ignition and to manage fire impact when a fire does occur. Figure 5 shows a simplified decision tree for fire protection. The building occupants and managers have the primary role in preventing fire ignition. The building design team may incorporate features into the building to assist the occupants and managers in this effort. Because it is impossible to completely prevent ignition, managing fire impact has assumed a significant role in fire protection design.

Figure 5: Simplified fire protection decision tree



# **Smoke management mechanisms**

Mechanisms for managing smoke impact include:

- Compartmentation in the form or walls, floors, doors and other barriers
- Dilution (also known as smoke purging, smoke removal, smoke exhaust, or smoke extraction)
- · Airflow in the form of large flow rates and used primarily in subway, railroad, and highway tunnels
- Pressurization using mechanical fans under NFPA 92 Standard for Smoke Control Systems
- Buoyancy effects that employ mechanical systems when ceiling heights exceed 33 feet (10 m)

# **Design factors**

Many factors affect the design of a smoke management system. Before the actual mechanical design of the system can proceed, the potential constraints on the system must be determined and the design criteria established.

Unique factors in the design of a smoke management system include:

- Occupancy type and characteristics
- Evacuation plans
- · Areas of refuge
- Occupant density and distribution
- Human life support requirements (Medical Facilities)
- Detection and alarm systems (exclusive of smoke control)
- · Fire department response to fire emergencies in the building

- Fixed fire suppression systems
- Type of HVAC systems (in place or proposed)
- · Energy management systems and controls
- · Building security provisions
- Status of doors in a fire emergency
- Potential fire sources
- Internal compartmentation and architectural characteristics
- Building leakage paths
- Exterior building temperatures
- · Wind velocity and effects

All of these factors funnel into a consideration of how much smoke will be present in an expected fire. The amount of smoke, expressed as smoke density, can reduce visibility, trap occupants in the building, prevent escape, and expose occupants over an extended period of time to toxic and irritant gases which could become lethal.

The ASHRAE manual *Design of Smoke Management Systems* contains guidelines for designers who wish to provide active smoke control systems for buildings. Smoke control systems are intended to provide systems that exhaust smoke from the immediate fire area, and provide pressurized outside air to adjacent areas, access corridors, and stairwells. It is fully recognized that this approach would apply more to large HVAC units servicing individual floors or large systems with volume control dampers at each floor. The integrity of the HVAC/smoke management system must be at a level that will maintain safe exit routes with sufficient exiting time for building occupants to either leave or move to designated safe refuge areas.

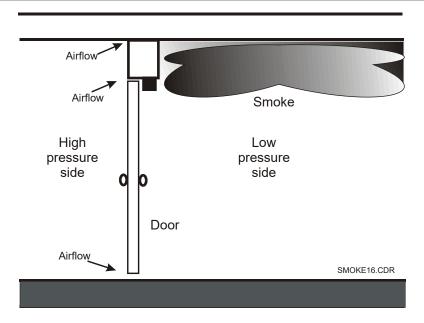
### **Smoke zones**

A building or area is typically divided into several zones. Zones are delineated by fire or smoke barrier walls or horizontally with floor ceiling assemblies. A smoke zone, as used in this manual, is simply the area where the fire is located. The two basic principles for containing smoke within a smoke zone are pressurization and airflow.

### **Pressurization**

Pressurization develops positive and negative pressure differences across zone boundaries in order to control smoke movement and is the most desirable means of controlling smoke movement.

Figure 6: Pressurization

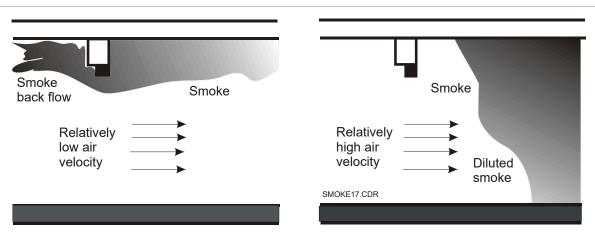


Pressurization creates pressure differences across partitions that separate the smoke zone from other zones or areas. This is typically accomplished by creating higher pressure in the non-fire or smoke areas. Airflow will occur through construction cracks at floor to ceiling slabs, around unsealed conduit and pipe openings, and around doors that act as the primary barriers to smoke movement from a smoke zone. Pressure differences must be sufficient to contain the smoke in the smoke zone and simultaneously allow doors leading to safety to be opened.

### **Airflow**

Airflow by itself can control smoke levels and movement if the air velocity is high enough to overcome the tendency of smoke to migrate to other zones. This approach is typically used to prevent the flow of smoke down corridors or through open doorways, as shown in Figure 7. The airflow approach to smoke control requires large quantities of air and is therefore not practical for most applications.

Figure 7: Airflow



# **Purging**

Purging may be used as a supplement to airflow or pressurization methods in smoke control systems. When there is a concern over smoke movement through open doors into a protected area, outside air can be introduced into the space. Purging uses an exhaust inlet near the ceiling and a supply inlet commonly in the lower half of a wall. The supply and exhaust points are placed far enough apart to prevent the supply air from blowing directly into the exhaust without the benefit of entraining smoke-filled air. Purging is commonly used in smoke-proof stairwells that contain a vestibule between the occupant space and the stairs.

With any of the methods used for smoke zones, pedestrian door opening forces must be considered. The pressure differences between barriers are important not only in the force to open the door, but also the force necessary to overcome the door closer. NFPA 101, the Life Safety Code establishes a maximum force of 30 lbf (133.35 N) to set a door in motion that is an accepted benchmark for designers. Occupants must be able to open doors leading to escape routes while the smoke control system is in operation.

# Types of systems

Smoke management utilizing active and passive methods in combination to modify smoke movement must be engineered into a system and is focused upon property or people protection. While passive methods of smoke management do exist (see NFPA 204), dynamic smoke control systems using mechanical equipment to meet design goals dominate. NFPA 92 *Standard for Smoke Control Systems* provides methodologies for determining smoke development in large spaces. NFPA 92 is used for the design, installation, testing, operation, and maintenance of systems for smoke control.

An EST3 smoke control system (SCS) when installed and programmed in accordance with this design manual and the criteria set forth by the smoke control system designer will help to:

- Provide a tenable environment in evacuation routes during the time necessary to evacuate people from the area
- · Restrict the movement of smoke from the fire area
- Assist in protecting life and property protection
- Maintain tenable conditions in non-fire areas that will enable fire personnel to conduct search and rescue
  operations in addition to attacking the seat of the fire

An EST3 SCS should be designed, installed, and maintained such that the system will remain effective during evacuation of the protected areas. Other considerations determined by the smoke control system designer may dictate that a system should remain effective for longer periods. Areas to evaluate in determining EST3 SCS integrity are:

- · Reliability of power sources
- Arrangement of power distribution
- Location, and methods of protection for EST3 system panels
- Building occupancy type

The design, installation, testing, operation, and maintenance of new and retrofitted mechanical air conditioning and ventilation systems for the control of smoke will require the involvement of several interdependent disciplines or parties:

- Where carbon monoxide detection or a dedicated carbon monoxide system initiates a ventilation response, a smoke control response of the fire alarm system shall take precedence over the response of the carbon monoxide detectors during a fire alarm condition.
- Building equipment and controls are the responsibility of the system designer. A system designer, as used here, will determine the type of smoke control system to be used, the size of the expected or design fire, perform tenability calculations, establish and define smoke zones based upon building barriers. The system designer may be an architect, engineer, or fire protection professional knowledgeable in the theory and application of smoke management and control. The sizing of fans, location of dampers, and establishing of smoke zones is the system designer's responsibility. The system designer will, using a specification, define to the EST3 fire/smoke control system designer how the total system must operate under a fire or smoke condition. The EST3 fire/smoke control system designer should assume total system design responsibility only if qualified.
- Smoke control system operation is the responsibility of the EST3 fire alarm systems designer. The
  specifications for operation of a smoke control system will define methods of fire/smoke detection for a
  particular area and the resulting outputs for smoke removal or control to take place. Control functions
  performed by an EST3 panel include the startup and shutdown of HVAC or exhaust fans, smoke damper
  closure, and door closure.
- The authority having jurisdiction (AHJ), typically a fire official, is important in the determination of firefighter control station locations and final acceptance and testing of the smoke control system. The system designer is responsible for effecting smoke removal or control of the completed smoke management system. Involvement of the AHJ early in a project helps to ensure that the system requirements (typically NFPA 92) will be met by the total system design and establishes prior to design clear pass/fail criteria for a completed system.

# **Smoke control systems**

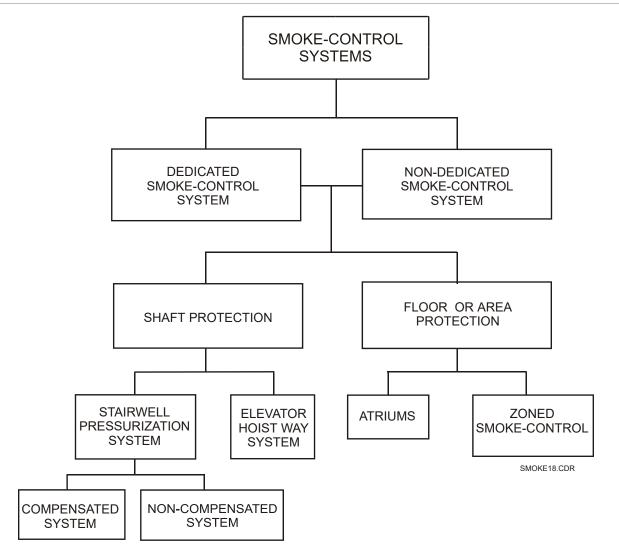
Systems for controlling smoke movement in a building can be divided into two separate types: shaft protection and floor protection.

The vertical transfer of smoke to the upper stories of a building from a fire on a lower floor occurs mostly from shafts versus leakage through openings in floor construction. Vertical smoke spread accounts for 95 percent or more of the upward movement of smoke in high-rise building fires. Shaft protection can be further divided into stairwell pressurization systems and elevator hoistway systems.

Floor protection encompasses several variations of zoned smoke control. Use of a particular system or combination of systems is dependent upon building and fire code requirements, as well as specific occupancy and life safety goals established by the system designer.

For either type of smoke control system, electrical and mechanical equipment or components can be classified as dedicated or non-dedicated.

Figure 8: Smoke control system types



Smoke control components must be capable of continuous use at the maximum temperatures expected during a fire, based upon calculations performed by the smoke control system designer. Most smoke control systems will be designed with a primary goal of maintaining a tenable environment for occupants outside the fire area for zoned smoke control and within atriums or large spaces. This goal is achieved by exhausting smoke from a building, limiting fire growth, or for atrium smoke management systems, preventing accumulations of smoke below a six-foot height along egress paths.

# **Dedicated**

Dedicated smoke control systems are independent systems for air-movement and are not used for any other purpose under normal building operating conditions. Upon activation, dedicated systems operate specifically to perform a smoke control function.

Dedicated systems have the following advantages:

- System design and control functions are less likely to be modified during maintenance.
- Operation and control of the system is less complex with system controls typically routed only to the EST3 SCS and the firefighter's smoke control station (FSCS).

 Independent of other building systems, dedicated systems are less likely to be affected by changes in other building systems.

Dedicated systems have several recognized disadvantages:

- · Dedicated systems are more costly.
- Component failures may go undetected for a long time.
- Dedicated systems often require more building space for installation.
- Automatic weekly self-testing of dedicated smoke control systems must be programmed with consideration for weather conditions.

# Non-dedicated

Non-dedicated smoke control systems share or use components with other building systems including the HVAC system for a floor, area, or zone. Smoke control system activation suspends normal operation of HVAC and other shared components for use in achieving smoke control objectives.

Non-dedicated systems have the following advantages:

- Equipment costs are shared.
- Component failures of equipment needed for smoke control are more apparent due to their use for daily services.
- Smoke control system components do not require additional building space.

Non-dedicated smoke control systems have three recognized disadvantages:

- System control may involve complex interlocks with shared equipment used for HVAC or energy management.
- Inadvertent modification of HVAC controls or equipment affecting smoke control functionality is more likely to occur.
- Other building system modification may interfere with smoke control system operation.

# **HVAC** systems

Commercial HVAC systems can usually be adapted for smoke control use. In order to meet smoke control reliability and tenability criteria established in NFPA 92, an HVAC system must be capable of supplying outside air to the protected space, returning air from the protected space, and exhausting air from a protected space to the outside.

An HVAC system can be as simple as a fan in a housing (such as a roof-mounted exhaust fans) to a more complex system with ductwork, supply air outlets, return air inlets, fresh air intakes, humidifiers, filters, heating and cooling coils, preheat coils, and dampers.

# Commonly used HVAC units

Individual floor units: Air handling units serve a single floor or area. Units can have separate supply and exhaust fans. The smoke control system designer must verify that the units are capable of providing sufficient outside air and an exhaust capability for the expected fire condition.

Figure 9: Individual floor units

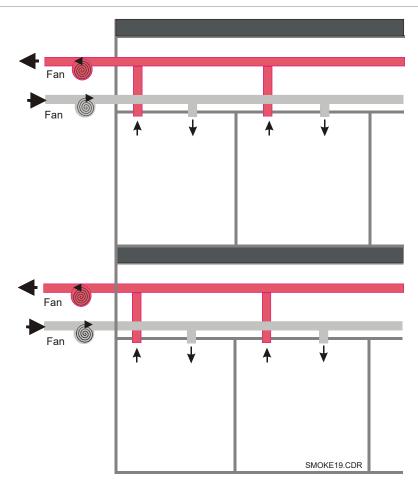
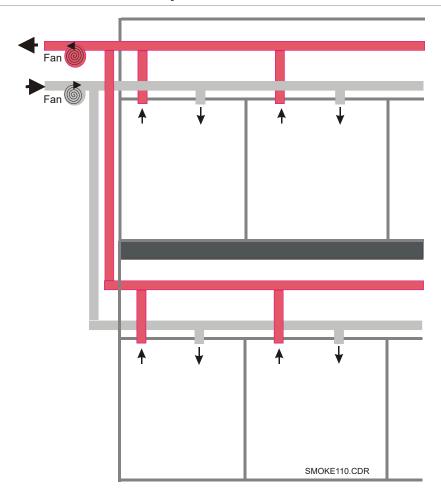


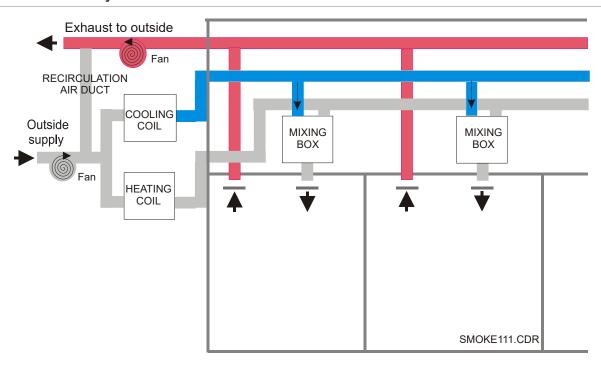
Figure 10: Induction units for central HVAC system



**Induction units:** Induction-type air handling units are usually used in conjunction with a central HVAC system, which supplies high-pressure air to the induction units. Induction units are located around the outside of a building and are used to condition the air for areas around the perimeter of a building. Room air is then drawn into the induction unit, mixed with the primary air from the central system, and returned to the room. Induction units servicing a fire area should be shut down or have the primary air from the central system isolated.

**Dual duct systems:** Dual duct systems have parallel heating and cooling coils, each located in a separate compartment. Systems of this type also have separate ducts to supply hot and cold air from each coil compartment into mixing boxes. The mixing boxes are used to mix the hot and cold air to be supplied to the area served.

Figure 11: Dual duct system



**Multi-zone systems:** Multi-zone systems are similar to dual duct systems in that they have separate heating and cooling coils located in a separate compartment. The difference in these systems is that multi-zone systems mix the air at the unit and supply the mixture through low-pressure ducts to each space served.

**Variable air volume systems:** Variable air volume (VAV) systems usually supply central cooling only. The individual areas served by this type of system will reheat the air near or in the area being served or have other sources of heating. Some VAV systems connect a bypass from the intake side of a supply fan to the outlet side of a supply fan, as shown in Figure 12, to reduce supply air volumes and pressure in the ductwork. Such bypasses must be closed for smoke control applications to ensure sufficient pressurization of protected areas.

Return

Fan

RECIRCULATION
AIR DUCT

COOLING
COIL
Supply

Fan
Bypass Duct

SMOKE 112.CDR

Figure 12: VAV system with fan powered terminals

**Fan-powered terminals:** Fan-powered terminals are used in conjunction with VAV systems to provide the reheat capability of cool air being supplied to a particular area and to circulate air within the space. Terminal fans servicing a fire area must be shut off for smoke control applications. During a fire condition, terminal fans serving other areas may continue to operate normally.

**Ductwork:** Ductwork is constructed of a variety of materials including steel, aluminum, concrete, and masonry. Ductwork usually connects the fans with the areas to be served. Air travels from the supply fan through the supply ducts into the building. Return air is often pulled through the plenum space above the ceiling as shown in Figure 13. Ductwork, however, can be used for the return air as well, as show in Figure 14. In most commercial buildings today, both the supply and the return ductwork (where used) is typically located in the area above a suspended ceiling. Return air ductwork is required from the smoke zone boundary to exhaust fans when routed through other zones.

Figure 13: Supply ductwork with plenum return

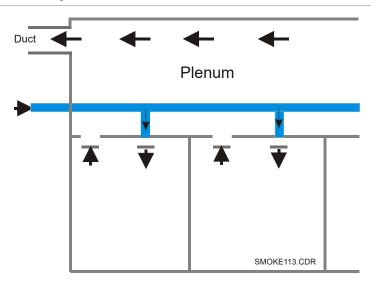
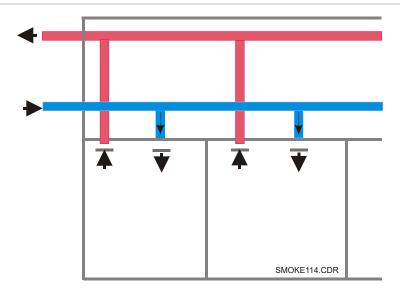


Figure 14: Ducted return

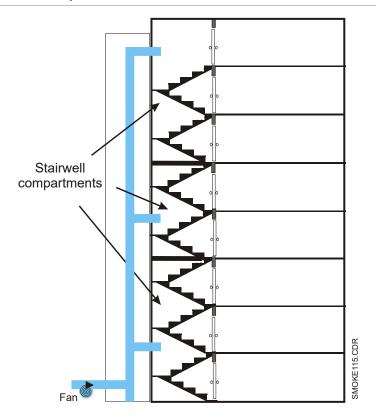


# Stairwell pressurization systems

Stairwell pressurization systems are built with the intent of keeping stairs clear of smoke in order to assist in the evacuation of occupants. Stairwell pressurization systems are commonly dedicated smoke control systems. Activation of stairwell systems can be by automatic or manual means.

Stair pressurization systems can be from a single-injection point into the tower. Single-injection systems are commonly used for eight or fewer stories. Multiple injection systems provide several supply inlets in the stairwell. Compartmentation of the stairwell can also be used in a pressurized design to maintain stair tenability. Pressurization systems may operate throughout the fire event, offering refuge for firefighters as they enter or leave the fire floor.

Figure 15: Compartmentation of a pressurized stairwell



A fire in a multi-story building will develop a positive pressure in the fire area until ventilation occurs, often due to the opening of a door or the failure of window glass. The positive pressures developed by a fire can enter a stair as occupants leave the fire floor and reduce the usefulness of the stair for escape. The design objective of achieving a higher pressure in the stair than is found on the fire floor is usually achieved by a single dedicated fan in the stairwell.

Life safety and fire codes require stairwells to be isolated from the building they serve, making the use of shared building HVAC systems unlikely or prohibited. Dedicated HVAC systems for stairwell pressurization systems are also used with modulating dampers controlled by static sensors at each doorway or at selected points in a stairwell.

For pressurizing a stairwell, the smoke control system designer must define the number of doors expected to be open at any one time and design air flows which compensate for the open doors. If more than the expected or design number of doors is opened, the pressure in the stairwell may drop below that of the fire floor and smoke will be able to enter the tower.

Power requirements for smoke control system operation must consider the total number of systems or zones in operation. For example, if there are two stairwells with pressurization, they will both operate in a fire event and power must be available for both tower systems. If a smoke control zone on the fire floor will also operate, then the three separate smoke control systems must be powered and operable from the FSCS.

Automatic operation of one of a building's fire alarm systems should cause all stair pressurization fans to start. Where an engineering and life safety analysis determines that the configuration of the building is such that only certain stairs need pressurization, programming of the smoke control system will need to be tailored to various fire scenarios.

A smoke detector should be provided in the air supply to the pressurized stairwell. Smoke drawn into the stairwell from the exterior of the building will be detected and fans will then shutdown. Detectors selected for fan flow monitoring should be within the air velocity ranges specified in the detector's installation sheet.

The FSCS must contain a manual override, to be operated by an authorized person, to restart fans should they shut down due to the operation of smoke detectors installed in the stairwell. The authorized person may determine that a lesser hazard exists from smoke entering the fan than smoke migrating into the tower from the fire floor and override fan shutdown based upon exterior smoke entry.

### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: MGM Grand Hotel

Details	Event
Location: Las Vegas, NV Date: November 1980 Fatalities: 85 Injuries: 600	The complex consisted of 26 stories of guestrooms and a ground level complex with a casino, theatres and convention facilities. Each wing contained a pressurized stairwell with a mechanically ventilated vestibule (smoke-proof tower).
	The fire started in the first floor restaurant and then moved into the casino. Smoke spread was through ceiling plenum spaces to vertical shafts that allowed smoke spread to the high-rise tower. Vertical openings included seismic joints, interior stairs, toilet exhaust shafts and pipe chases. The elevator shafts allowed smoke spread to upper floors via open elevator doors on the casino level. Sixty-one of the fatalities were in the hotel tower between floors 16 and 26 and were caused by smoke inhalation. No smoke control system was in place at the time of the fire.

**Vestibules:** Stairwells can also be built with a vestibule that may include an air handling system. The vestibule may serve a pressurized stair or it can be in lieu of a pressurized stair, operating under the same criteria as a pressurized stairwell for smoke control. Even non-pressurized vestibules have the advantage of two doors from the building interior to a stair that can help to limit smoke migration into a stair. Vestibule pressurization controls are addressed in much the same manner as stair pressurization systems by the smoke control system.

# Elevator smoke control

Elevator smoke control systems are of two types. The first focuses upon providing tenability and survivability of the elevator system in order that it can be used for occupant evacuation. Figure 16 diagrams two design alternatives. Exhaust of the fire floor, smoke-tight elevator lobbies, and the closing of elevator doors after automatic recall are other design alternatives which are less often chosen. Elevators traditionally have not been used for fire evacuation due to the "chimney effect" of the shafts in a fire.

In the last decade, due in part to increased demands for egress of non-mobile occupants and driven by the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), elevators have increasingly been looked upon as a possible avenue for fire escape. First, Canada developed standards for "hardened" elevators for egress and then in the US the NFPA Life Safety Code included elevators as an alternate egress component from areas of refuge. Smoke control for elevators used as an egress system components must provide tenability for the expected time needed for evacuation.

The second type of elevator smoke control system is intended to prevent or limit smoke flow to other floors by way of the hoistway. Elevators without enclosed lobbies must have a smoke control-system that develops a pressure difference within the hoistway, which is greater than the sum of the fire and other building effects. The smoke control system designer will calculate pressures, flow rates, and vent sizes for the elevator shaft to determine fan size.

Elevator recall is based upon ASME/ANSI117.1, *Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators*. The standard requires that elevator doors open and remain open after elevators recalled. This requirement results in a large opening into the elevator hoistway, greatly increasing airflow requirements for pressurization. NFPA 80, *Standard for Fire Doors and Windows*, permits closing of elevator doors after a predetermined time when required by the AHJ. Local requirements for the operation of pressurized shafts should therefore be determined and incorporated into the system design.

### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: John Sevier Center

Details	Event
Location: Johnson City, TN Date: December 25, 1989 Fatalities: 16 Injuries: 40	A fire in a first floor apartment of the 10-story building spread through an open door, into the corridor, and quickly involved the entire first floor. Smoke migration to upper floors via the recalled elevator and vertical shafts resulted in 15 deaths due to smoke inhalation located above the fire floor.

Figure 16: Elevator pressurization systems

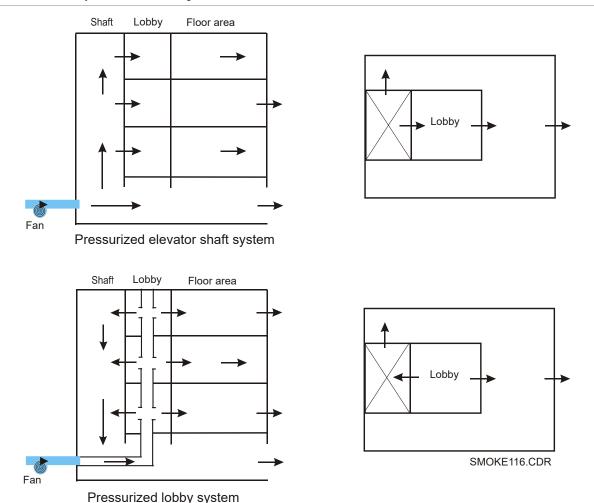


Table 8.11 of the NFPA publication *Smoke Movement and Control in High-Rise Buildings* contains both elevator shaft and lobby pressurization system calculation formulas. John M. Klote, who worked with the author of this NFPA reference book, includes the same methodologies and several examples, in his ASHRAE book, *Design of Smoke Management Systems*.

Elevator recall systems return the elevators to the lobby or an adjacent floor when smoke is detected in an elevator lobby or when the fire alarm system is activated. Elevator doors can open at the recall location and remain open or revert to the closed position. The smoke control system designer must adjust airflow for the door position.

### Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: First Interstate Bank of California

Details	Event
Location: Los Angeles, CA Date: May 1988 Fatalities: 1 Injuries: None	A 62-story office tower with smoke detectors on each floor. The fire started in the open-plan office area located on the 12th floor. Fire spread continued upward for four floors where manual firefighting stopped the fire's progress. Fire spread was primarily along the exterior of the building and around floor slabs. The fire progressed at a rate of 45 minutes per floor with total burnout of each floor taking approximately 90 minutes.
	Security personnel reset the initial smoke detector alarm from the fire floor and then the three smoke detectors which went into alarm several minutes later on the floor. Six minutes after the initial alarm, detectors were operating from the 12th to 30th floors. An employee sent to investigate died when the elevator opened on the fire floor.
	Investigators determined that the service elevator acted as a major avenue for smoke spread to all floors. No smoke control system was installed in the building.

# Zoned smoke control systems

Larger area or multiple floored buildings will subdivide the smoke control system into zones based upon an expected fire scenario. Activation of a smoke control zone will be by automatic or manual means. A smoke detection system will automatically activate the EST3 smoke control system.

Detector spacing should follow spacing of smoke detector requirements contained in the *Signature Series Intelligent Smoke and Heat Detectors Bulletin* (P/N 270145). The Bulletin also contains design information on detector placement with respect to stratification, partitions, exposed solid joists, exposed beams, sloped ceilings, and high air-movement areas.

Automatic actuation of a zoned smoke control system can simultaneously exhaust a fire/smoke area and supply air to other areas. Detector locations, however, must coordinate with the operation of the smoke control zone to detect smoke before it migrates to another zone. Smoke control system programming will limit automatic activation to the first zone that detects smoke.

A waterflow switch or heat detector serving a smoke zone can be used to activate the zoned smoke control system where all piping or wiring of the devices is in the smoke zone. For example, a sprinkler system serving an atrium cannot have branch sprinkler lines serving an office area adjacent to the atrium and not a part of the same smoke control zone.

# **Atriums**

Initially, fires in atriums (or large spaces) will perform like fires in outside areas due to the size and height of the space where the fire occurs. Upper levels of high ceilings or tall atriums collect heat and smoke with little or no downward radiation. Atriums and large spaces cannot easily restrict the movement of smoke using barriers or overcoming fire pressures. Common atrium or large space areas using smoke management systems include shopping malls, convention centers, airport terminals, sports arenas, and warehouses.

For large spaces, smoke management consists of exhausting smoke from the space. Exhausting smoke tends to restrict smoke spread to a plume above the fire and a smoke layer just below the ceiling of the space. The exhaust approach creates a lower level "smoke-free" layer that allows occupants to safely egress and for firefighters to see and attack the seat of a fire more readily. Providing smoke management for large spaces is a unique challenge for two reasons.

First, without any barriers in the interior, extensive smoke propagation occurs readily throughout the entire space. Consequently, a significant number of people in the space may be exposed to the smoke. Further, a substantial portion of the space can become contaminated by the smoke, resulting in significant property damage.

Second, large unprotected openings between the atrium and adjacent spaces can result in fire and smoke movement into the atrium due to a fire outside the atrium. Adjacent spaces, such as stores in a shopping mall, are called communicating spaces and may open directly to the atrium or may connect through a corridor or another open passageway. In the last several years code limitations on the number of levels with communicating spaces open to an atrium have been changed to allow all levels in an atrium to have open communicating spaces. Required airflow for smoke venting in an atrium or large space must consider the effect of communicating space fires.

# Lessons learned in fire and smoke movement: Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel

Details	Event
Location: Rosemont, IL Date: April 1973 Fatalities: None Injuries: 1	A 10-story hotel with rooms opening to a central atrium. The fire started in the non-sprinklered nightclub on the first floor at 4:30 a.m. The atrium filled with smoke. The smoke exhaust system failed to operate because a switch to the system was turned off. Some occupants escaped along open balconies in the atrium to enclosed stairs in the early stages of the fire. Other occupants took refuge on exterior balconies or remained in their rooms with the balcony doors open. The fire demonstrated that rapid smoke generation and spread in an atrium quickly traps occupants.

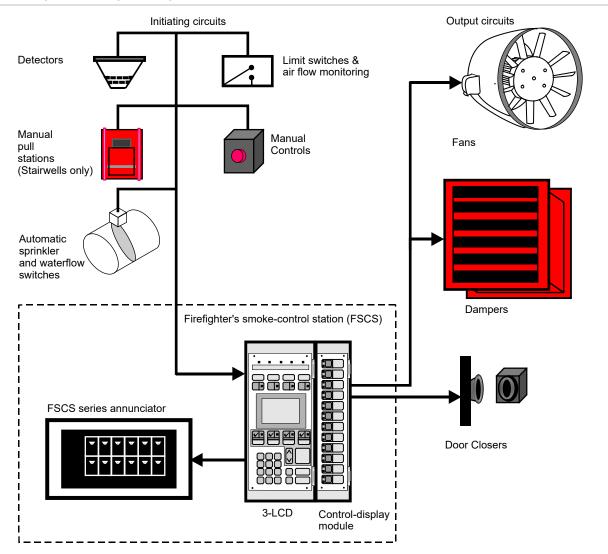
How a large space functions, location of egress routes, and the development of hazardous conditions from expected fire scenarios demands a tailoring of smoke management systems for each application. However, the technical fundamentals of smoke production and spread are the same for all of these spaces. A shopping mall smoke management design will focus on assuring egress paths are available, while a warehouse smoke management design will focus on the stored materials.

Parameters that may have an impact on the design of a smoke management system in a large space include:

- · Ceiling height
- Fuel load
- Use of the space
- Separation of communicating spaces from the protected space

# **Smoke control system components**

Figure 17: Input and output components



# **Controls**

The smoke control system must fully coordinate smoke control system functions between the:

- EST3 fire protective signaling system
- Automatic sprinkler system
- FSCS
- Systems related HVAC energy management
- Building smoke control equipment.

Operation of the smoke control system either as a component of the EST3 fire alarm system or as a stand-alone EST3 smoke control system panel from a centralized location will be the most common applications.

Fire department suppression mobilization for large buildings may be from a loading dock in a high-rise building or at the main entrance of large buildings. An FSCS at the point of fire department mobilization or near the exterior of the building will often be required by codes or standards in addition to the EST3 smoke control system.

# Building main control/security center

Larger, more complex buildings and office or educational campuses contain centralized energy management and security centers. These control points for building systems or access may be located off the main lobby of a high-rise, in the center of a large building, or freestanding on a campus. The location and monitoring of the Fire Alarm Control Panel from these points is both practical and common. Installation of the EST3 smoke control system in one of these centers is logical. The trained personnel who monitor other fire and building systems can also be trained for smoke control system monitoring and operation. The building's main control or security center could also serve as the location of the FSCS, if acceptable to the AHJ.

# Firefighter's smoke control station (FSCS)

The FSCS, where required, is located according to direction from the AHJ. The FSCS must provide full monitoring and manual control capability over all smoke control system functions including a graphical panel.

The FSCS should be designed to have the highest priority control over all smoke control systems and equipment. Where manual controls are also provided at other building locations (such as the Main Control/Security Center) for use of smoke control systems, the control mode selected from the FSCS should prevail. The design of the FSCS must be such that control actions from this point will override or bypass other building controls such as Hand-Off-Auto and Start/Stop switches located on fan motor controllers, freeze detection devices, and duct smoke detectors.

FSCS controls should not override or bypass devices and controls intended to protect against electrical overloads, provide for personnel safety, or prevent major system damage. These include overcurrent protection devices, electrical disconnect switches, high-limit static pressure switches, and combination fire/smoke dampers beyond their degradation temperature classifications.

FSCS non-dedicated system fan motor controller switches do not need to be bypassed when:

- Located in mechanical or electrical equipment rooms
- Inaccessible to the general public
- Operation of such a switch will result in a trouble condition at the building's main control center

The EST3 SCS, to be effective, should include an FSCS series annunciator with a building diagram that indicates the type and location of all smoke control equipment. The building areas affected by the equipment, including barrier walls, should also be clearly indicated (Figure 17).

The actual status of system components that are activated or capable of activation for smoke control should be clearly indicated at the FSCS series annunciator. Status indication is for on and off status of each individual fan having a capacity of 2,000 cfm (944 L/s) or more and used for smoke control. The ON status should be sensed by pressure difference as a confirmation of airflow. Damper position status is also often required by UUKL and NFPA 92.

### **HVAC** system controls

Initial design of HVAC system controls or modification of existing HVAC controls to incorporate smoke control system requirements must include assigning the highest priority to the smoke control mode.

Dedicated smoke control systems, while not utilizing HVAC fans and controls, will sometimes require the shutdown of the building HVAC equipment in addition to the closing of dampers interconnected to the HVAC system.

Non-dedicated fire systems will use HVAC components and control systems. HVAC control systems use pneumatic, electric, electronic, and programmable logic-based control units. All of these control systems can be adapted to provide the necessary logic and control sequences to configure HVAC systems for smoke control. Programmable electronic logic or microprocessor based control units for HVAC systems which also provide other

building control and monitoring functions are readily adapted to provide the necessary logic and control sequences for an HVAC system's smoke control mode of operation.

# Smoke control system activation and deactivation

Smoke control system activation is the initiation of the operational mode of a smoke control system. Deactivation is the cessation of the operational mode of the smoke control system and return of HVAC control to the building environmental control center. Smoke control systems usually are activated automatically but can be manually initiated under conditions deemed appropriate as a part of the smoke control system design. Under all operating conditions, the smoke control system must be capable of manual override.

Loss of building power should be evaluated to determine if the smoke control system design would function as intended. The evaluation must consider the position (open or shut) of smoke dampers upon loss of power and when the fan systems the dampers served are shutdown.

Automatic activation or deactivation of a smoke control system includes all initiating circuit action that results in the operation of one or more smoke control zones without manual intervention. Automatic activation will usually come from smoke detectors and waterflow switches.

Smoke control system activation should begin immediately upon receipt of an activation command. Sequencing of smoke control components (fans, dampers, ducts, and louvers) is necessary to prevent physical damage to the equipment. Over-pressurization of a duct due to early or improper damper operation could result in damage to the duct and an inability to effectively control smoke in a zone.

NFPA 92 Standard for Smoke Control Systems, establishes the maximum response time for individual components to reach a fully operational mode. Fans must reach the specified flow rate within 60 seconds and confirm the state has been reached at the smoke control panel and the FSCS. Completion of smoke damper travel to either the fully open or the fully closed state must be accomplished within 75 seconds of signal initiation.

**Note:** Local codes, like the Uniform Building Code (UBC), may specify other times. Check all applicable codes and use the time limit required.

# **Initiating circuits**

Smoke control system initiating circuits may contain the same alarm initiating devices found in a standard EST3 fire alarm system and Initiating Device Circuit (IDC). Alarm Initiating Devices used for smoke control may also serve a dual-purpose, initiating alarm notification or control functions required under NFPA 72. A smoke control system initiating device, when activated, initiates predetermined system sequences.

### **Detection**

Smoke control system initiation using smoke detectors is most common. Since the goal of smoke control systems is most often to maintain tenability in a zone or space, heat or flame-type detection is not considered responsive enough for use in a smoke control system. Heat detectors in maintenance or similar rooms incidental to the area protected or locations where smoke detectors cannot be effectively installed may be connected to the smoke control system.

Detection using either photoelectric or ionization spot type smoke detectors should be based upon the space protected. Smoke development and travel are influenced by ceiling configuration and height, burning characteristics of materials, fuel arrangement, room geometry, and HVAC systems installed.

Some large volume spaces, such as atriums, have been reported to experience temperatures of up to 200 °F (93.3 °C) because of solar loads. Detectors in these areas need to be capable of operating in this day-to-day environment. Installation sheets for detectors contain operating temperature ranges for detectors. Signature Series smoke detectors should be installed in accordance with the requirements contained in the *Signature Series Intelligent Smoke and Heat Detectors Applications Bulletin* (P/N 270145).

Concerns over smoke stratification and detector access in large or high ceiling areas, such as atriums, is increasingly leading designers to specify projected beam-type smoke detectors. Projected beam detectors work on the principle of light obscuration. A beam of infrared light is transmitted across the protected area and is monitored by a receiver. Smoke particles entering the beam path can either absorb or scatter the beam of light, causing a reduction in light received. When the reduction in light received reaches a threshold, an alarm signal is generated.

Since both absorption and scattering of light cause a reduction in the light sensed at the receiver, projected beam detectors work well for both smoldering and fast-flaming fires.

Projected-beam detectors are normally installed parallel and within 20 inches (0.508 m) of the ceiling except when high ceilings or smoke stratification are a design consideration. Projected beam detectors have an operating range of 30 to 330 feet (9.1 to 100.6 m).

#### Manual pull stations

Manual pull stations are placed in buildings for occupant use in reporting fires and notifying other occupants. Manual pull stations are not normally used to activate smoke control systems, but may be used for stairwell pressurization systems. With manual pull stations there is a greater likelihood of a person signaling an alarm from a station outside the smoke zone in which the fire is occurring and thereby pressuring and venting the wrong areas.

#### Automatic sprinkler and specialized extinguishing systems

The same criteria that dictate the installation of a smoke control system are likely to also dictate the installation of an automatic extinguishing system. Most model codes will require automatic sprinklers for large or tall buildings.

In the design of the smoke control systems, the size of the expected fire must be determined in order to establish exhaust flows for the smoke generated. Automatic sprinkler systems are designed to contain or control fires, thus limiting the size of an expected fire and the amount of smoke generated. Smoke control system designers utilize the limiting of fire size and spread due to automatic sprinklers as an important element in sizing HVAC systems and fans for smoke control.

Automatic sprinkler systems can be utilized to activate a smoke control zone, provided the flow switch for the sprinkler system serves only fire sprinklers in the smoke control zone. For new buildings, the coverage areas of sprinkler systems must be coordinated with smoke zone areas to ensure applicability.

#### **Manual controls**

For smoke control, manual activation or deactivation refers to the means available to an authorized person to activate one of the smoke control functions. Manual fire alarm pull stations are not in this category. Manual controls will be at the FSCS in a location directed by the AHJ.

## Smoke control output circuits

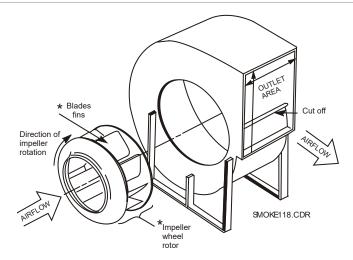
Smoke control system output circuits may contain some of the same output modules and devices found in a standard EST3 fire alarm system. Output commands for a smoke control zone include the startup or shutdown of fans, damper operation, vent or louver operation, and door or barrier operation. Sequencing of each action is critical in the proper functioning of a smoke control system. Dampers may need to reach fully open or fully closed position prior to fan startup. Fans may also need to rundown or stop prior to damper movement.

#### **Fans**

HVAC fans are classified as either centrifugal or axial. Fan performance and economics are major factors in the type of fan for an application. Forward-curved fans are used for low-pressure applications including residential furnaces and packaged air-conditioning equipment. Airfoil and backward-curved fans are used for general-purpose HVAC applications, and airfoil fans are usually limited to large systems where the energy savings are significant. Radial fans are used when high pressures are needed. New building installations using fans for smoke control will consider the emergency operation parameters when selecting the HVAC system fans.

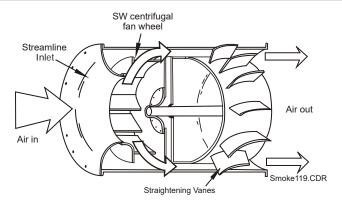
**Centrifugal fans:** Centrifugal fans are subdivided into forward-curved, backward-curved, and airfoil. Forward-curved centrifugal fans rotate at a relatively low speed. They are generally used to produce high flow rates and low static pressures. Backward-curved fans rotate at about twice the speed of forward-curved fans and have a higher efficiency. Both forward-curved and backward-curved impeller blades are single-width blades.

Figure 18: Centrifugal fans



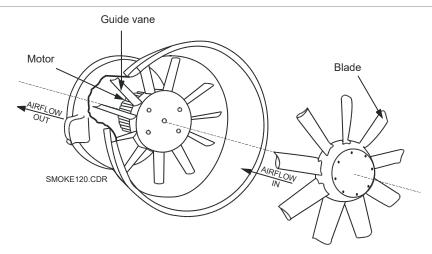
**Airfoil fans:** Airfoil fans are simply backward-curved fans with blades of varying thickness to improve fan efficiency. Airfoil blades are based upon the same technology that is used to design airplane wings. Tubular centrifugal fans are an exception to the classification. They have single width impeller blades and straightening vanes at the discharge. Tubular centrifugal fans are used in low-pressure HVAC applications, often as return air fans.

Figure 19: Tubular centrifugal fan



**Axial fans:** Axial fans are subdivided as propeller fans, tube axial fans, and vane axial fans. Axial fans are designed to achieve high flow rates at low pressures. Common uses for axial fans include kitchen and rest room exhaust, stairwell or elevator pressurization, and space ventilation. Propeller fans are susceptible to adverse pressure conditions that would include opposing wind loads from the exterior. Unlike centrifugal fans, the backward rotation of an axial fan normally results in backward flow at a reduced airflow rate.

Figure 20: Axial fan



Exhaust fans for smoke control are selected to operate in the design conditions of the smoke and fire. While dilution with ambient air can significantly cool down the fire temperature reaching fans, there are also instances where the direct effects of the fire will be on the smoke control equipment.

HVAC systems with the capacity, outlets, grill locations and flow rates are suitable for smoke control. For HVAC systems, a means must be provided to prevent the supply system from operating until the exhaust flow has been established to avoid pressurization of the fire/smoke area. In colder locations where the introduction of outside air into the space due to inadvertent operation or testing could damage contents, consideration should be given towards heating the makeup air.

Fans must reach their specified flow rate within 60 seconds and confirm the state has been reached at the smoke control panel and the FSCS.

#### **Dampers**

Dampers in air-moving systems are used to balance and control airflow, relieve excess pressure, and resist fire or smoke passage. Fire, smoke, or ceiling dampers are the three types of dampers used in buildings.

Fire dampers are used for the protection of openings in walls, partitions, or floors and are rated at 1 1/2 or 3 hours. Fire dampers are installed in accordance with UL 555, *Standard for Safety Fire Dampers*. A fire damper does not prevent the leakage of smoke through the opening and is normally released by a fusible link.

Smoke dampers resist the passage of smoke and protect openings in smoke barriers or as a part of engineered smoke control systems. Smoke dampers are installed in accordance with UL 555S, *Standard for Safety Leakage Rated Dampers for Use in Smoke Control Systems*. Combination fire/smoke dampers will have a fire resistance rating and meet both UL 555 and UL 555S.

Ceiling dampers or other methods for protecting openings in floor/roof-ceiling assemblies are installed in accordance with UL 555C, *Standard for Safety Ceiling Dampers*.

Fire and ceiling dampers are designed to close upon the operation of a fusible link. When dampers are part of an engineered smoke control system the temperature rating of the fusible links must be 50 degrees above the maximum smoke control system designed operating temperature with some additional qualifiers found in UL 555S.

With the remote operation of dampers for the engineered smoke control system, dampers must have provisions that allow them to re-close automatically upon reaching the damper's maximum degradation temperature as defined in UL 555S.

Completion of smoke damper travel to either the fully open or the fully closed state must be accomplished within 75 seconds and be confirmed at the FSCS.

**Note:** Local codes may require different response times for smoke dampers. See "System Response time" on page 91.

#### Louvers and vents

Various combinations of louvers, vents, and nonrated dampers can be used as a part of a smoke control system. These venting methods are used to prevent over-pressurization of stairwells, elevator shafts and smoke zones. Vents can provide relief using barometric dampers with adjustable counterweights or electric or pneumatic motor-operated dampers.

Venting in stairwell and some atrium smoke control systems may use side-swinging doors that open to the exterior in lieu of louvers or vents. Exterior doors produce a constant-supply air rate, a recognized advantage in the design of stair systems on several fronts, including a requirement in the *Supplement to the National Building Code of Canada*. Exterior door opening is a method of reducing pressure fluctuations in the stairwell in the same way in which louvers and vents are used.

Movable louvers may be used in elevator or stairwell pressurization systems and must be interconnected to the smoke control system to ensure that they open in the proper sequence. Movable louvers may also be used for some building or zoned smoke control systems. For whichever device is selected, there should be a capability to close the opening should smoke begin to enter through it.

#### Doors for makeup air

The simplest method of introducing makeup air into an area is via direct openings to the outside using doors and louvers, which can be opened upon system activation. For new construction, the architectural designer, in concert with the smoke control system designer, can place these opening below the expected smoke layer. For locations where such openings are impractical, a powered supply system will likely be used.

#### Door/wall closers

In the last decade, several manufacturers have developed rolling or bifold door and wall systems, which can be used to create a smoke zone, isolate elevator shafts, lobbies, or areas of refuge.

Smoke barriers, other than side swinging doors, are supplied by a small number of manufacturers. The Won-Door Co. has received a door and a wall rating for their bifold system; McKeon Rolling Door has a rolling/swinging door combination; and SmokeGuard Corp. has an elevator opening protective. Listing directories for buildings materials contain specifics about these products.

Each of these barrier systems depends upon smoke detection for operation and where used is an important part of establishing and maintaining smoke control zones.

## Panel and component operation

#### **Panel functions**

This chapter provides general information on the techniques used to evaluate the physical characteristics of smoke movement through buildings as a basis for designing smoke control systems. Mechanical system components consisting primarily of fans and dampers are determined, sized, and located by the smoke control system designer. The smoke control system designer is an engineer, architect, or competent person, usually on the building owner's design team.

The EST3 smoke control system designer should not establish smoke zones and airflow requirements as a part of the design unless they are competent in HVAC system and smoke movement analysis. The EST3 smoke control system panel functions are therefore based upon requirements established by the smoke control system designer.

Detection of a fire or smoke condition is the same for an EST3 smoke control system panel and the standard EST3 fire alarm panel. Outputs from the smoke control system are focused upon two areas:

- · Removing or reducing smoke from an area or zone
- Compartmentalizing a smoke zone

Smoke control system functions do not include the alerting of the occupants or fire department of the event; this is performed by the fire alarm panel.

An EST3 smoke control system can be a stand-alone panel with its own central processor module (CPU), primary power supply module, local rail modules, control-display module, and related controllers. Alternately, an EST3 smoke control system can be housed in an EST3 fire alarm panel sharing a CPU, primary power supply module, and other panel functions.

The decision to incorporate smoke control system functions into the EST3 fire alarm panel should be accepted as a part of the design process by the building owner and local AHJ requirements. There are some jurisdictions currently requiring a stand-alone smoke control system under their building and fire codes.

#### Control system supervision and instrumentation

Every smoke control system must have a means of ensuring it will operate if needed. The means will vary according to the complexity and importance of the system. Supervision devices can include:

- The presence of operating power downstream of all circuit disconnects
- End-to-end supervision of wiring, equipment, and devices in a manner that includes provisions for positive confirmation of activation, periodic testing, and manual override operation
- Positive confirmation of fan activation by means of duct pressure, airflow, or equivalent sensors that respond
  to loss of operating power, problems in the power or control circuit wiring, airflow restrictions, and failure of
  the belt, shaft coupling, or motor itself
- Positive confirmation of damper operation by contact, proximity, or equivalent sensors that respond to loss of
  operating power or compressed air, problems in the power control circuit, or pneumatic lines, and failure of
  the damper actuator, linkage, or damper itself
- · Other devices or means as appropriate

#### **Energy management systems**

Energy management systems, particularly those that cycle supply, return, and exhaust fans for energy conservation, must be overridden when they control or may operate in conflict with the smoke control system. Smoke control is an emergency mode of operation and is to take priority over all energy management and other non-emergency control modes.

#### **Materials**

Materials used for systems supplying smoke control are to conform to NFPA 90A, *Standard for the Installation of Air Conditioning and Ventilating Systems*, and its referenced standards.

Duct materials should be designed and selected to convey hot smoke, withstand any additional pressure (either positive or negative) by the supply and exhaust fans when operating in a smoke control mode. Ducts must maintain their structural integrity during the period when they are designed to operate. Special high-temperature ratings for smoke exhaust fans are not normally necessary.

#### **Electrical power requirements**

All electrical installations must meet the requirements of NFPA 70, *National Electric Code*, in addition to building code requirements. Normal electrical power serving air conditioning systems will generally have sufficient reliability for non-dedicated zoned smoke control systems.

Standby power for dedicated smoke control systems and their control systems should be adequate for the expected duration of a fire event.

#### **Programming functions**

Regardless of the type of smoke control system installed, the control and programming device functions will fall into three general categories.

- · The operation of fans: turning ON or OFF
- The operation of compartmenting components (dampers, doors, louvers, walls, or windows): to OPEN or CLOSE
- Auto is the placement of HVAC system components in their normal non-fire condition.

From the two control categories the monitoring or status of smoke control equipment will also be needed or required. Verification of devices results in a confirmation of:

- An ON (fan) or OPEN (dampers, etc.) condition
- An OFF (fan) or CLOSED (dampers, etc.) condition

Control and monitoring functions will fall into one of the categories shown in Table 1 for fans or compartmenting devices. Monitoring will take the form of a control panel LCD or annunciator LED. Table 1 provides a list of control actions and the devices they monitor.

Table 1: Control and monitoring functions

Control action	Resulting Control or LED status
AUTO OFF	Overrides normal HVAC Controls
Turn Fan OFF	Only when Fan is OFF
Turn Fan OFF	Only when Fan is ON
Turn Fan OFF	Fan is ON & OFF
Turn Fan ON	Only when Fan is OFF
Turn Fan ON	Only when Fan is ON
Turn Fan ON	When Fan is ON & OFF
Turn Fan ON & OFF	Only when Fan is OFF
Turn Fan ON & OFF	Only when Fan is ON
Turn Fan ON & OFF	Only when Fan is ON & OFF
CLOSE Damper*	When Damper is CLOSED
CLOSE Damper*	When Damper is OPEN
CLOSE Damper*	When Damper is OPEN & CLOSED
OPEN Damper*	When Damper is CLOSED
OPEN Damper*	When Damper is OPEN
OPEN Damper*	When Damper is OPEN & CLOSED
OPEN & CLOSE Damper*	Damper is CLOSED
OPEN & CLOSE Damper*	When Damper is OPEN
OPEN & CLOSE Damper*	When Damper is OPEN & CLOSED
AUTO ON	Returns HVAC to normal operation
* For this table, "damper" is use	d to denote any compartmenting device.

For each of the control actions in Table 1 the verification of the result is displayed at a monitoring point. For example, a controlling action to "Turn Fan ON or OFF" with a monitoring requirement to verify "Only when Fan is ON" results in the capability to turn the fan ON or OFF when a fire is detected. In addition, verification when the fan is turned on in response to a fire will occur, usually in the form of an LED at the EST3 smoke control panel.

**Note:** Typically for a non-dedicated HVAC fan, when the fan is in its normal or auto operating state, there will be suppression of the LED monitor point.

#### **Control and monitoring examples**

For Figure 21 both fans and dampers are used for smoke control. There are two zones for the multiple zone arrangement. In the example, there is a supply and return vent for each area with dampers located at each vent and the system is equipped with mechanical exhaust.

The smoke control system designer has determined that in the event of a fire, the smoke zone must be placed under a negative pressure and adjacent zones must have positive pressures to prevent smoke intrusion. Depressurization of the smoke zone is accomplished by closing the supply damper (S1), verifying the exhaust damper (R1) is open, and turning on the return air fan. Pressurization of the adjacent area is accomplished by closing the exhaust damper (R2) and opening the supply damper (S2) while starting the supply fan.

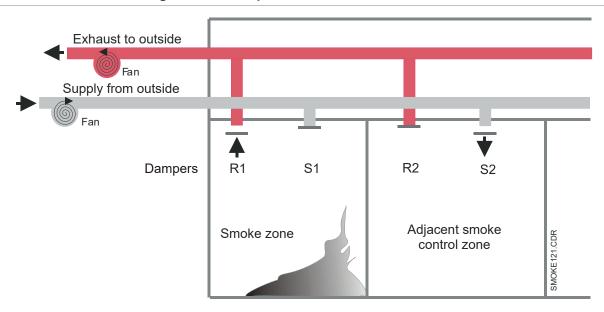
The steps in controlling and monitoring the Figure 21 smoke control system example upon fire detection are found in Table 2.

Table 2: Smoke control sequencing for Figure 21

Control action	Monitor-LED indication
AUTO OFF	Overrides normal HVAC controls
Open Damper R1	Only when Damper R1 is OPEN
Close Damper S1	Only when Damper S1 is CLOSED
Start Return Fan	Return Fan ON
Close Damper R2	Only when Damper R2 is CLOSED
Open Damper S2	Only when Damper S2 is OPEN
Start Supply Fan	Supply Fan ON

The Control Sequencing in Table 1 will be discussed in detail as it applies to an EST3 smoke control system in Chapters 2 and 3.

Figure 21: Smoke control using fans and dampers



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NFPA 70, National Electrical Code

NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm Code

NFPA 80, Standard for Fire Doors and Fire Windows

NFPA 101, Life Safety Code Chapter 6

NFPA 204, Guide for Smoke and Heat Venting

BOCA, Business Object Component Architecture International

UBC, Uniform Building Code

SBC, Standard Building Code

IBC, International Building Code

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Chapter 1: Building fire geometry and smoke movement

# Chapter 2 Smoke-control system hardware

#### **Summary**

The EST3 smoke control system hardware components are described in this chapter as a part of an EST3 fire alarm network or as a stand-alone system with an annunciator panel for firefighter use.

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# The EST3 smoke control system

The EST3 smoke control system is designated in this manual as the SCS. The SCS consists of fans, dampers, and other controls included in a typical EST3 installation. The EST3 firefighter's smoke control station is designated in this manual as the FSCS.

The SCS and the FSCS include a main LCD and control-display modules, which are common to the EST3 fire alarm network. The FSCS may also include a smoke control graphics annunciator, which is not a part of the EST3 network. The smoke control graphics annunciator is designated in this manual as an FSCS series annunciator. The model names for the FSCS series annunciators include:

- FSCS-1 smoke control graphics annunciator (18 x 24 in)
- FSCS-2 smoke control graphics annunciator (24 x 24 in)
- FSCS-3 smoke control graphics annunciator (24 x 36 in)
- FSCS-4 smoke control graphics annunciator (36 x 48 in)

**Note:** Do not confuse the FSCS series annunciators or their model names with the FSCS (firefighter's smoke control station).

The SCS and the FSCS are able to receive fire alarm inputs and perform predetermined control functions. Control functions include opening or closing doors, dampers, and barriers. Other control functions include shutting down or starting up fans to limit smoke spread beyond the area of origin.

The SCS may be designed and installed as a stand-alone system or integrated into the standard EST3 fire alarm network panels. NFPA 92 contains performance criteria for the design of a smoke control system. The integrity of a smoke control system can be accomplished with smoke control components mounted in an EST3 fire alarm panel which also provides for occupant notification, off premises notification, and other NFPA 72 alarm system requirements not common to smoke control functions.

To meet NFPA 92 design criteria, some jurisdictions may require a panel for the SCS separate from the fire alarm system. Confirmation of the ability to integrate smoke control system components into the fire alarm panel should be made with the owner and the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) prior to installation.

The FSCS series annunciator panel must indicate the routing of fire alarm devices connected to the SCS as required by NFPA 72. Operational power for dampers, fans, and their related components are critical to the operation of the smoke control system and should be on building emergency power. NFPA 92 recommends connection to emergency power for critical smoke control components, while local the AHJ may require emergency power for all system components.

#### Stand-alone

An EST3 SCS designed and installed independent of any fire alarm system requirements constitutes a standalone smoke control system. This type of application is most suitable for:

- Applications where the SCS also serves as the FSCS
- Multiple building facilities or business campus environments
- Single zone systems like stairwells, elevator shafts, and vertical shafts

The AHJ in some jurisdictions may require the SCS be installed as a stand-alone fire protection component.

## Integrated

The EST3 SCS utilizes many components found in an EST3 fire alarm network and may even share the same cabinet. The SCS may also share EST3 components like the CPU module. In such cases, comply with the performance requirements of NFPA 92 in the programming of shared components.

## Firefighter's smoke control station (FSCS)

The FSCS, where required, provides graphical monitoring and manual control over the smoke control system. The FSCS must have priority over all smoke control system components shared with an HVAC system. Where manual controls are also provided at other building locations for management of smoke control systems, the control mode selected from the FSCS is to have override or bypass capability over other building controls. Building controls such as Hand-Off-Auto and Start/Stop switches located on fan motor controllers, freeze detection devices, and duct smoke detectors typically must be overridden or bypassed in order to ensure the FSCS can be used to contain or control smoke movement.

The override exception is where fan control capability switches for non-dedicated smoke control system fans (i.e. HVAC) are located in electrical equipment or mechanical rooms accessible only to authorized personnel. In addition to authorized access, the operation of one of these motor controller switches must cause a trouble annunciation at the building's main control center, in order that the FSCS need not override or bypass these switches.

The FSCS must not override or bypass devices and controls, designed to:

- · Protect against electrical overloads
- Provide for personnel safety
- Prevent major system damage

Controls not to be overridden include:

- Overcurrent protection devices
- Electrical disconnect switches
- · High-limit static pressure switches
- Combination fire/smoke dampers beyond their UL 555 degradation temperature classifications

The FSCS series annunciator must display a building diagram that clearly indicates the type and location of all smoke control equipment. The building areas affected by the equipment are also to be indicated. The FSCS will utilize the FSCS series annunciator to meet this requirement.

- The actual status of the system components and equipment which are activated or capable of activation for smoke control are to be indicated at the FSCS series annunciator.
- Status indication for each fan having a capacity of 2,000 cfm (944 L/s) or more is to include on and off
  conditions. The "ON" status should be sensed by pressure difference at the design smoke control airflow.
- Damper position at smoke barriers and other critical locations are to be confirmed by positive means.

# EST3 smoke control system design considerations

#### **Dedicated**

Dedicated smoke control system mechanical components such as fans and dampers are used only for smoke control. Design and sizing of fans and other components is focused upon static pressure control, safety devices, and sizing to manage the required smoke control air flows.

Dedicated smoke control systems include stairwell pressurization, smoke shaft exhaust systems, elevator shaft pressurization systems, and atrium smoke control systems. Controls for dedicated smoke control systems will be more straightforward since fans and dampers will likely be under the sole control of the SCS.

#### Stairwell pressurization systems

Stairwell pressurization systems are designated as either compensated or non-compensated.

Compensated systems have control provisions which react to changes in airflow in order to maintain a specific static pressure level. Depending upon the height of the stairwell, sensors and exhaust dampers will adjust air flows for pressure losses due to doors opening in the stairwell. Current designs place sensors and exhaust damper controls at every third floor in mid or high-rise buildings.

An SCS design for compensated systems must provide for control of fans and dampers at multiple points in a compensated system. Fans are typically VAV type or contain bypass ducts around the fan. Stairwells of 8 floors or less may be compensated with only fans at the top or bottom of the stairwell and dampers on the opposite end.

Non-compensated systems do not have static pressure control provisions. Fans and dampers or vents are designed and programmed to operate at a set pressure for the stairwell.

Stairwell pressurization fan air intakes must be located in a manner that helps to ensure that smoke from a building fire is not drawn into the stairwell. The air intakes will supply all of the air to the stairwell and therefore requires a duct smoke detector which will shut down the fan if smoke is detected and the FSCS must have a detector override for the fan.

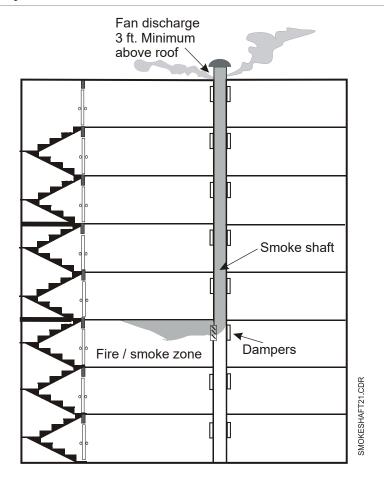
A relief damper for a pressurized stairwell, operable from the FSCS should be located at the top of the stairwell to prevent over-pressurization in addition to venting any smoke which may enter the stairwell. Damper relief is set by the building smoke control system designer, normally at not less than 2,500 cfm (1,180 L/s) with a differential pressure of 0.15 inches (37,035 Pa) of water. The FSCS designer should anticipate a control point for the relief damper.

#### Smoke shaft exhaust systems

Smoke, as covered in Chapter 1, "Building fire geometry and smoke movement" on page 1 has a tendency to move upward in a building. Buildings may be designed with a smoke shaft as a mechanical method of exhausting smoke from a selected floor. A smoke shaft serving a smoke zone will assist a smoke control system by reducing smoke spread and static pressures on the fire floor which have a tendency to push smoke into adjacent zones or to other floors.

Smoke shaft systems consist of an exhaust fan mounted on the top of a vertical shaft which runs up the entire height of a structure. The shaft is constructed of fire rated material and connects to each floor through an FSCS and SCS operable combination fire/smoke dampers. Dampers are normally kept closed with the damper on the fire floor opening upon detection of fire followed by the startup of the shaft fan. The fire/smoke dampers, which connect each zone to the smoke shaft are to be reopening, within the limits of NFPA 90A-3-4.5, to allow for operation from the FSCS if their temperature activating mechanism causes them to automatically close and mechanical venting is needed. The smoke fan's discharge must be a minimum of 3 feet (0.9144 m) above the roof level or deck.

Figure 22: Smoke shaft system



#### Elevator shaft pressurization systems

Elevator shaft pressurization systems are similar in concept to stairwell pressurization systems, but of two types. The first is the pressurization of the elevator system in order that it may be used for occupant evacuation. In the second type, the pressurization of the elevator shaft prevents or limits smoke spread from the fire floor into the shaft. Meeting ADA area of refuge and egress requirements in tall buildings will often bring elevator shaft pressurization into a building's life safety system design.

The building smoke control system designer must evaluate the possible effect of positive elevator pressurization upon a smoke zone's ability to maintain a negative pressure.

Elevator car movement, as reviewed in Chapter 1, "Building fire geometry and smoke movement" on page 1 may present additional challenges in maintaining shaft pressurization.

Elevator smoke control will involve the turning on of one or more pressurization fans and controlling the static pressure within the elevator shaft. Design approaches today inject air into the shaft near the main floor with air flow upward to a relief damper at the top of the shaft. Dampers are typically of the barometric type in order to effectively maintain a higher static pressure in the elevator shaft.

#### Atrium smoke control systems

Governed by NFPA 92 *Standard for Smoke Control Systems*, in most local codes. Atrium smoke control, another dedicated smoke control type, focuses upon exhausting smoke products at a rate which will maintain tenability and help preserve visibility at lower levels of the atrium.

Smoke removal fans at the ceiling must typically provide the greater of six air changes per hour or 40,000 cfm (18,800 L/s). Very large atriums must have a ceiling exhaust system capable of at least four changes per hour.

Supply air openings for diluting and exhausting smoke are located on the lowest or next to lowest level and are sized the design air flow requirements. Larger atriums may also have fans for supplying makeup air. Openings for supply air may consist of louvers, dampers, rolling doors, and pedestrian doors as specified by the smoke control system designer. Operation of supply air doors or dampers from the FSCS is required.

Detection of a fire in an atrium is via smoke detectors mounted on the ceiling, and under floor projections in the atrium. Beam type detectors are often specified for larger or taller spaces.

The atrium smoke control system fans and dampers are normally off or closed. Sequencing of supply openings with fan startup is part of the EST3 SCS. Static pressure control may be, but typically is not, a part of system operation.

For each of the dedicated system types the final goal is to create a pressure differential of 0.15 in. to 0.45 in. of water (37.4 Pa to 112.05 Pa) across a door opening or on either side of a barrier.

For dedicated systems, the building smoke control system designer will establish the size of fans, dampers, and vents. The sequencing of fan operation and damper controls will also be defined for the EST3 SCS designer/installer.

#### Non-dedicated

FSCS non-dedicated mechanical system components are commonly a part of the building HVAC system. HVAC systems are used for smoke control to create differential pressures between the smoke zone and adjacent zones or areas.

Differential pressurization is typically achieved by providing adjacent zones with full supply air (100 percent from the outside) without any return or exhaust in the adjacent zone. The smoke zone air supply is stopped and full exhaust of the zone to the outside is implemented to relieve fire generated pressures or create a negative pressure in the smoke zone.

Non-dedicated smoke control systems include single zone HVAC systems with direct outside air and direct exhaust air, single zone systems with common outside air and common exhaust air, central HVAC systems, dual duct HVAC systems, multi-zone HVAC systems, and variable air volume systems. Key FSCS settings criteria for each of these system types and smoke control operating positions for devices follow.

#### Single zone HVAC systems with direct outside air and direct exhaust air

Single zone HVAC systems most often serve one floor or a portion of a floor in a multistory building and are readily adaptable to smoke control use.

Several zones will be used to limit smoke spread by creating differential pressures around a fire.

Table 3: Single zone smoke control settings with direct outside air and direct exhaust air

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Remote zones
Supply fan OFF	Supply fan ON	Maintain HVAC operation while power supply is available without impacting fire area smoke control operations
Return fan ON	Return fan OFF	_
Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	_
Return air damper CLOSED	Return air damper CLOSED	_
Outside air damper CLOSED	Outside air damper OPEN	_

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Remote zones
Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	_

#### Single zone systems with common outside air and common exhaust air

Single zone systems with common outside and exhaust air receive their outside air from a common outside air system and are found in multiple floor buildings. HVAC controls are provided within individually zoned systems.

Single zone HVAC systems can be effectively used to provide smoke control when smoke dampers are located at barriers to limit smoke spread.

Table 4: Single zone smoke control settings with common outside air and exhaust ducts

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Common outside and exhaust air system	Common remote zones
Supply fan OFF	Supply fan ON	Supply fan ON*	Supply fan OFF
Return fan ON*	Return fan OFF*	Return fan ON*	Return fan OFF*
Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED
Supply air damper CLOSED	Supply air damper OPEN	Outside air damper OPEN	Supply air damper CLOSED
Return air damper CLOSED	Return air damper CLOSED	Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	-

<sup>\*</sup> If no return fan is present, dampers are still positioned as indicated.

#### **Central HVAC systems**

Central HVAC systems are most often used in multiple floor buildings with a single HVAC system providing service for 6 to 20 floors.

Conditioned air is supplied to each floor via large vertical shafts with each HVAC zone having reheat provisions.

Damper positioning is the key component in isolating smoke control zones in these systems.

Control of static pressures in large vertical shafts supplying or exhausting air is necessary to prevent duct collapse or rupture during smoke control events.

Table 5: Central system smoke control settings

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Central system	Remote zones on central system
_	_	Supply fan ON	_
_	_	Return fan ON	_
Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED
Supply air damper CLOSED	Supply air damper OPEN	Outside air damper OPEN	Supply air damper CLOSED
_	_	Return air damper CLOSED	_
_	_	Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	_

#### **Dual duct HVAC systems**

Dual duct HVAC systems provide a central source of conditioned air through a hot supply duct and a cold supply duct serving multiple zones. Each zone has mixing boxes to control room temperatures.

Configuring for smoke control of dual duct HVAC systems utilizes mixing box air flows for pressurization.

Cold air ducts are often relied upon for air supply due to their larger size.

Table 6: Dual duct smoke control settings

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Dual duct central system	Remote zones on same dual duct system
_	_	Supply fan ON	_
_	<del>_</del>	Return fan ON	_
Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED
Hot duct damper CLOSED	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	Outside air damper OPEN	Hot duct damper CLOSED
Cold duct damper CLOSED	Hot duct damper CLOSED	Return air damper CLOSED	Cold duct damper CLOSED
_	Cold duct damper CLOSED	Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	_

#### Multi-zone HVAC systems

Multi-zone HVAC systems provide separate air mixes for each HVAC zone with multi-zone units.

Most systems are limited to about 12 zones due to energy efficiency considerations.

For smoke control, multi-zone systems maximize air to zones designated for pressurization around the fire.

Cold air ducts are often relied upon for air supply due to their larger size.

Table 7: Multi-zone smoke control settings

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Multi-zone central system	Remote zones on same multi-zone system
_	_	Supply fan ON	-
_	_	Return fan ON	-
Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED
Supply air damper CLOSED	Supply air damper OPEN	Outside air damper OPEN	Supply air damper CLOSED
_	_	Return air damper CLOSED	-
_	_	Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	-

#### Variable air volume systems (VAV)

VAV systems serve multiple building zones with conditioned air at required volumes.

Terminal units in each building zone contain dampers to control air volume and may contain fans and heating coils.

Damper positioning and controlling of supply and return fans to provide maximum air volume are needed for smoke control applications using VAV systems.

Static pressure controls must be reset to permit maximum air flow without duct collapse or rupture.

Table 8: VAV smoke control settings

Smoke zone	Adjacent zones	Central VAV system	Remote zones on same central system
_	_	Supply fan ON	_
_	_	Return fan ON	_
Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED	Exhaust air damper OPEN	Exhaust air damper CLOSED
Supply air damper CLOSED	Supply air damper OPEN	Outside air damper OPEN	Supply air damper CLOSED
_	Terminal unit discharge damper OPEN	Return air damper CLOSED	-
_	-	Reset static pressure control to maximize air flow and prevent duct failure	_

# FSCS firefighter's smoke control station (FSCS)

The FSCS, where required, is most often located in the building's fire command center. The FSCS is a remotely networked panel, which also contains an FSCS series annunciator. Where the fire command center is also located in the building's central security center, an SCS with a graphic annunciator may also serve as the FCSC.

The FSCS series annunciator, with network support hardware, is capable of providing both monitoring and manual control of smoke control system components. The FSCS series annunciator, when combined to the correct Signature Series modules, can be used by firefighters to start and stop fans and open and close dampers for smoke control. The system, while designed primarily for occupant protection and egress, can be used by firefighters to exhaust smoke and allow for effective fire attack and extinguishment by manual means.

#### **EST3 SCS installation**

Smoke control systems, which are not interconnected as part of an EST3 fire alarm network panel, constitute a stand-alone system. The descriptions of components which follow address a stand-alone smoke control system, but can also be applied to a FACP function with the smoke control system components sharing common inputs and hardware in the EST3 fire alarm network panel.

#### Cabinets and enclosures

EST3 smoke control system components are mounted in any of the 3-CAB or RCC Series cabinets detailed in the *EST3 Installation and Service Manual* (P/N 270380). Each EST3 CAB series cabinet assembly is completed with inner and outer doors.

#### **3-CHAS7**

The 3-CHAS7 chassis provides the mounting, internal power and data distribution for up to seven plug-in local rail modules (LRMs). Chassis design facilitates separation of power-limited and nonpower-limited circuits by locating power-limited circuitry toward the front of the chassis and nonpower-limited wiring at the rear of the chassis. The 3-CHAS7 chassis mounts to the back wall of a 3-CAB7, 3-CAB14, and 3-CAB21 cabinets. Multiple 3-CHAS7 chassis are interconnected within a cabinet using the supplied cables. The chassis are suitable for direct mounting in a standard EIA 19-inch rack. When 19-inch rack mounted, trim plates are required. The 3-CHAS4, XLS200, and 3-CABS provide similar chassis functionality.

Figure 23: 3-CHAS7 chassis

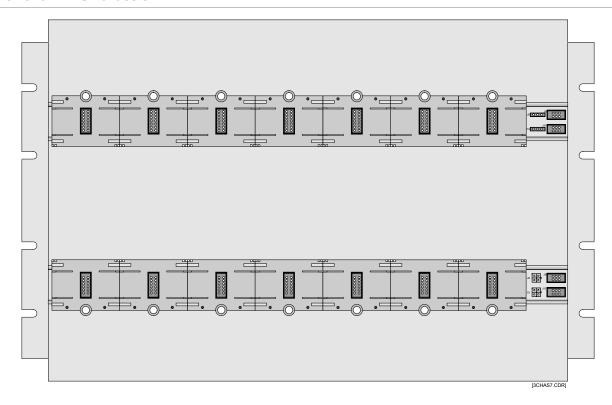


Table 9: 3-CHAS7 chassis specifications

Cabinet Installation	Requires one chassis space
19-inch rack dimensions (HWD)	12.0 in x 19.0 in x 5.25 in (30.48 cm x 48.26 cm x 13.34 cm)

#### Central processor module (CPU)

Each EST3 panel has a CPU. Several models of CPU are available.

The CPU is the control point for all other modules and for the SCS operator interface units common to the EST3 network. Installation requirements are detailed in the *EST3 Installation and Service Manual*. The front of the module has four hinged standoffs for the front panel/display door.

Install the 3-RS485 network communications card, if required, in CPU connector J2. The card should be firmly seated in its connector, then secured to the CPU controller board by pressing the snap rivet on the front side of the controller.

Table 10: CPU specifications

Processor	16 Bit
Memory capacity RAM  Message queue Event history log	1 MB flash nonvolatile 1 MB volatile static 500 events per queue 1,000 to 1700 events, dependent on event type
Rail space required	Must be mounted in LRM spaces 1 and 2 in 3-CHAS7 for all applications
Display (optional)	LCD display module mounts on front
Integral RS-232 Serial Port Connector Circuit length	Isolated, Class B RJ-45 50 ft. (15.2 m) max.
Optional RS-232 serial port card Port 1 Port 2 Baud rate Connector Circuit length	Optically isolated Optically isolated 300, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400 Via terminals on CPU 50 ft. (15.2 m) max.
Optional network communications port Configuration Format Circuit length Circuit resistance Circuit capacitance Wire type	Isolated, Class B, Class A, or Class X RS-485 using 3-RS485 card 3,000 ft. (915 m) max. between any three panels 90 $\Omega$ , max. 0.3 $\mu$ F, max. Twisted pair, 18 AWG (0.75 sq. mm) min.
Wiring Termination Size	All wiring connects to removable plug-in terminal strips 14 AWG (1.5 sq. mm ) max.
System alarm relay	Form C, rated at 24 VDC at 1A, Class E
System trouble relay	Form C, rated at 24 VDC at 1A, Class E
System supervisory relay	Form C, rated at 24 VDC at 1A, Class E
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

#### 3-LCD module

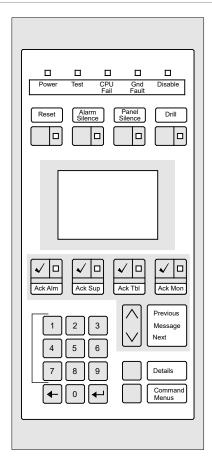
An EST3 system must include at least one main LCD module. Several LCD models are available.

The LCD is the primary operator interface for the SCS and FSCS. The LCD is mounted to the inner door in front of the CPU. The LCD combines with the 3-ANNCPUx to form the FSCS. The LCD is connected to any optional display modules with a ribbon cable.

As the firefighter interface for the FSCS the LCD switches and the LED indicators have the same functionality as the CPU/LCD. Only one LCD is required for an entire network, at the point of network control, most often at the fire command center.

The display provides a 64 by 128 pixel back-lit liquid crystal display. Graphic symbols as well as text may be displayed on the screen.

Figure 24: 3-LCD display module



LEDs on the LCD display power, test, CPU fail, ground fault and disable functions. Buttons with integral LEDs are provided for reset, trouble silence, alarm silence, and drill functions.

Message queue select buttons with integral LEDs are provided for alarm, supervisory, trouble, and monitor message queues. Scrolling through a message queue is accomplished using Next and Previous message queue buttons. Special function buttons are also provided for expanded messages. The display is also equipped with a 10-digit numeric keypad with enter and delete keys.

Table 11: 3-LCD specifications

Mounting	Mounts on the front of the CPU module
Installation	Plugs into connector J1 of CPU module
LCD display	64 x 128 pixels, super twist back-lit liquid crystal

Indicators Power Test CPU Fail Gnd Fault Disable	Green LED Yellow LED Yellow LED Yellow LED Yellow LED Yellow LED
Reset Alarm Silence Trouble Silence Drill Ack Alm Ack Sup Ack Tbl Ack Mon	Yellow LED integral with reset switch Yellow LED integral with panel silence switch Yellow LED integral with alarm silence switch Yellow LED integral with drill switch Red LED integral with alarm message queue switch Yellow LED integral with supervisory msg. queue switch Yellow LED integral with trouble msg. queue switch Yellow LED integral with monitor msg. queue switch
Operator controls	Reset button Alarm Silence button Panel Silence button Drill button Ack Alm: Alarm queue switch Ack Sup: Supervisory queue switch Ack Tbl: Trouble queue switch Ack Mon: Monitor queue switch 10-digit keypad with enter and delete keys Message queue scroll buttons Command Menus button Details button
Messages per queue	500, max.
Current requirements Standby Alarm	53 mA at 24 VDC 53 mA at 24 VDC
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

#### **Control-display modules**

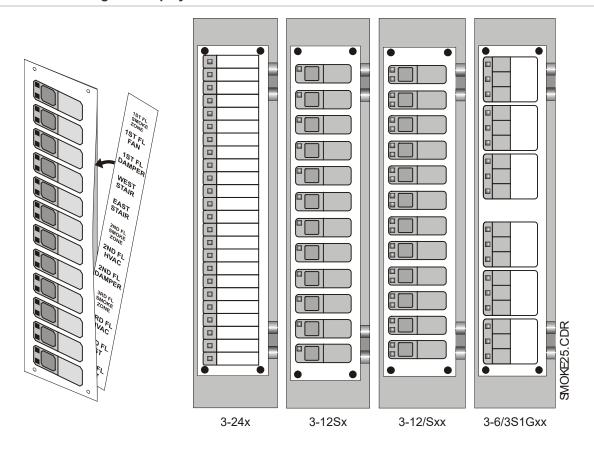
Control-display modules provide additional operator interface capability for the network as individual, designer assignable LEDs and touch-pad switches. Control-display modules mount on the 3-ANNSM support or LRM module's hinged front panel. LEDs must be selected for the appropriate control function. All control-display modules are compatible with the lamp test function.

Table 12: Control-display modules specifications

Model	LED configuration	Switch configuration
3-24R	24 Red	None
3-24Y	24 Yellow	None
3-24G	24 Green	None
3-12SG	12 Green	12
3-12SR	12 Red	12
3-12SY	12 Yellow	12
3-12/S1GY	12 Green-over-Yellow pairs	12

3-12/S1RY	12 Red-over-Yellow pairs	12
3-12/S2Y	24 Yellow	12
3-6/3S1G2Y	6 Green-over-Yellow-over-Yellow triads	6 triads
3-6/3S1GYR	6 Green-over-Yellow-over-Red triads	6 triads
Installation	Mounts on the front of any LRM or 3	3-ANNSM module except the CPU or

Figure 25: LED labeling and displays



Control-display module, model 3-24x LED, provides 24 LEDs. Adjacent to each LED is a slip-in label, for LED function identification. A typical application for smoke control would be the confirming visual signals for damper position or fan operation using the 3-24G model.

Control-display module, model 3-12/Sx, provides 12 LEDs, each grouped with one switch. Adjacent to each Control/LED is a slip-in label, for Control/LED function identification. A typical application for smoke control would be the monitoring and control of dedicated fans in a stair tower which need only an ON/OFF operation.

Control-display module, model 3-12/Sxx provides 24 LEDs, each pair of LEDs is grouped with one switch. Adjacent to each control-display module group is a slip-in label, for control-display module function identification. A typical application for smoke control would be the monitoring and control of fans and dampers.

Control-display module, model 3-6/3Sxxx provides 18 LEDs, each triad of LEDs is grouped with three software interlocked switches. Adjacent to each control-display group is a slip-in label, for control-display function identification. This control-display is well suited for HVAC fan control where ON/OFF/AUTO controls are desired in place of EVSC3 series toggle switches on the FSCS.

#### Control-display module configuration

The switches on control-display module may be configured to use one of three available operating modes. The available operating modes are:

- Toggle
- Interlocked
- Momentary

Toggle: The state of the switch changes each time the switch is pushed, i.e. "start" to "stop" or "stop" to "start."

The toggle switch mode can be used in smoke control systems to perform two-state operations (on/off, open/close).

The output of an "on" switch remains "on" during panel reset, and must be manually turned "off" when no longer required.

**Interlocked:** Three adjacent toggle switches that operate as a group. Pushing any switch in the group turns the output of the other two switches "off" and turns its own output "on."

Interlocked switches are sometimes referred to as "radio buttons."

The interlocked mode is commonly used for "Hand-Off-Auto" control of HVAC systems. It is also useful for controlling up to three mutually exclusive events, however, only one of the three events can be active at any one time.

An interlocked switch in the "on" state can be turned "off" without activating a second switch by pressing the "on" switch a second time.

The output of the "on" switch remains on, during panel reset, and must be manually turned "off" when no longer required.

**Momentary:** The switch is "on" only while manually activated by the operator. The momentary switch mode is typically to issue momentary commands which typically are self-latching until complete. Common examples are: lamp tests, function reset and test sequences.

Switches are always configured in groups of three, regardless of the operating mode. Switches are configured using the LRM configuration function in the SDU program by selecting the Operator Layer tab.

#### 3-LDSM LED display support rail module

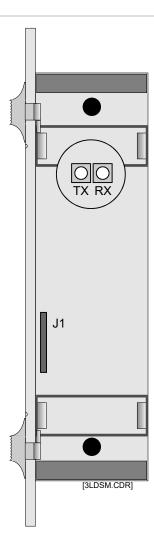
The 3-LDSM LED display support module provides the circuitry required to operate a control-display when the cabinet does not have enough modules installed on a rail chassis to support the number of displays required. Connect the display ribbon cable (P/N 250186) from connector J1 on the display to connector J1 on the module.

Mount the control-display module in the recess on the front of the module door. Secure the display to the module with the four supplied plastic rivets. Snap the door into the module's hinged standoffs.

Table 13: 3-LDSM LED display support module specifications

Installation	1 LRM space
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

Figure 26: 3-LDSM Module



#### 3-LRMF blank local rail module

The 3-LRMF blank local rail module is used to fill unused module spaces on a rail. Install a 3-LRMF module in each rail space which does not have a module installed to: fill in any gaps in the rail, provide a uniform appearance, and prevent the entry of foreign objects into the cabinet.

#### 3-RS485 network communications card

The 3-RS485 network data communications card is used to connect two CPU modules using copper conductors. A Class A, X, or B circuit is provided for network communications, and a Class B circuit is provided for digital audio communications.

The 3-RS485 network communications card is delivered installed with the 3-ANNCPUx in the FSCS.

The card should be firmly seated in its connector, then secured to the CPU controller board by pressing the snap rivets on the front side of the controller.

Table 14: 3-RS485 network communication card specifications

Installation	Plugs into connector J2 of CPU
Network data communications circ	cuit
Circuit configuration	Class B, Class A, or Class X
Data rate	38.4 Kb
Isolation	Isolated from previous CPU
Circuit length	5,000 ft. (1,524 m) max between any three panels
Circuit resistance	90 Ω, max.
Circuit capacitance	0.3 μF, max.
Wire type	Twisted pair, 18 AWG (0.75 sq. mm) min.
Digitized audio communications ci	ircuit
Circuit configuration	Class B, Class A, or Class X
Data rate	327 kb
Isolation	Isolated from previous CPU
Circuit length	5,000 ft. (1,524 m) Max between any three panels
Circuit resistance	90 Ω, max.
Circuit capacitance	0.07 μF, max.
Wire type	Twisted pair, 18 AWG (0.75 sq. mm), min.
Termination	Removable plug-in terminal strips on CPU
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

#### 3-RS232 communications card

The 3-RS232 communications card adds two RS-232 serial ports to the CPU module. There are no RS-232 ports or common relay contacts available on the 3-ANNCPUx. Both RS-232 ports are optically isolated from ground. For the EST3 SCS these ports are used for connecting a network printer to provide a printed record of sequencing and actions of the smoke control system. Where a separate EST3 Fire Alarm Network panel with printer is installed, the 3-RS232 is typically not included at the FSCS.

Install the 3-RS232 ancillary communications card in CPU connector J3. The card should be firmly seated in its connector, then secured to the CPU controller board by pressing the snap rivet on the front side of the controller.

Table 15: 3-RS232 ancillary communication card specifications

Circuit configuration  Port isolation Port 1 Port 2  Class B  Optically isolated Optically isolated	
Port 1 Optically isolated	
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Baud rate 300, 1200, 2400, 4800	0, 9600, 19200, 38400
Max. circuit length 50 ft. (15.2 m)	
Minimum wire size 18 AWG (0.75 sq. mm	1)
Termination Removable plug-in ter	rminal strips on CPU
Operating environment 32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °	°C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

### **Power supplies**

#### 3-PPS/M and 3-PPS/M-230 primary power supply

The 3-PPS/M(-230) primary power supply provides the required power and related supervision functions for the EST3 SCS panel. The supply is comprised of two major components: the power supply monitor module model 3-PSMON that mounts on the rail chassis, and the heat sink assembly model 3-PPS that mounts on the rear of the rail chassis.

The 3-PPS/M supply provides filtered, regulated power to power all modules connected to the 3-CHAS7 rail. The primary power supply is rated at 24 VDC at 7.0 A total for all outputs.

Two independent, power-limited, supervised 24 VDC, 3.5 A auxiliary power outputs are provided on the primary supply. A 24 VDC auxiliary output on the plug-in terminals of the power supply provides power for the FSCS series annunciator.

AC power and battery connections are made to fixed terminals on the heat sink assembly, remote from the panel's power-limited wiring.

The primary power supply supervises the standby batteries and provides a dual-rate constant current battery charger featuring automatic temperature compensation. The charger is capable of charging batteries up to 60 Ah. A remote battery temperature sensor is available when a remote battery cabinet is used.

Knowing the battery temperature enables the charging circuitry to maximize charging efficiently, without damaging the battery due to overheating. A battery monitor circuit disconnects the batteries from the system when battery voltage drops below acceptable limits, preventing possible memory problems and a total discharge of the batteries.

The power supply checks the AC input source and initiates the automatic transfer to batteries in event of a brownout or loss of AC power. In the event of a failure of one or more booster power supplies, the primary power supply determines its ability, along with the surviving booster supplies, to supply the load. Should the load ever exceed the ability of the primary and surviving booster supplies to meet the demand, the standby batteries are automatically switched in. The supply will also transfer to battery should an overload cause its heat sink temperature reach a high level.

Battery failure is annunciated if the battery fails to maintain an acceptable voltage level. Load testing continues periodically, until the battery capacity is sufficient to meet the load test criteria.

The 3-PSMON Primary Power Supply Monitor local rail module provides the interface between the power supply and the EST3 SCS panel, making the required data and power connections to and from the rail chassis. The monitor module occupies slot #3 (only), next to the CPU on the rail and is secured to the assembly using snap rivet fasteners. The module also features a hinged front panel for mounting a display or a blank protective faceplate.

The model 3-PPS/M power supply requires 120 VAC, 50/60 Hz. input voltage. The model 3-PPS/M-230 power supply requires 230 VAC, 50/60 Hz input voltage.

Table 16: 3-PPS/M(-230) primary power supply specifications

Installation	LRM slot 3 only, adjacent to the CPU; heat sink assembly mounts behind rails
Power input	
3-PPS/M	120 VAC, 3.0 A, 50-60 Hz
3-PPS/M-230	230 VAC, 1.5 A, 50-60 Hz
Brownout level	
3-PPS/M	≤102 VAC
3-PPS/M-230	≤195 VAC
Battery charging	
Capacity	10 to 30 or 30 to 60 Ah
Туре	Temperature compensated dual rate
Outputs	
Total	7.0 A total, internal and auxiliary outputs
Internal DC	24 VDC at 7.0 A
Auxiliary DC	Two 24 VDC at 3.5 A, ground fault and short supervised, power-limited outputs
Supervision	Low AC
·	Low battery (≤ 22.5 VDC)
	High battery
	Discharged battery (≤ 20 VDC)
	Ground fault (≤ 10 KΩ)
Termination	
AC input	Terminals on heat sink assembly
Batteries	Terminals on heat sink assembly
Internal DC output	LRM chassis rails via monitor module
Auxiliary DC output	Removable plug-in terminal strips on monitor module
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

#### 3-BPS/M and 3-BPS/M-230 booster power supply

The 3-BPS/M(-230) booster power supply module is used to provide additional power over and above the primary power supply. Up to three additional 24 VDC, 7.0 amp power boosters may be added in each EST3 SCS enclosure, making a total of 28 amps available for both internal and external applications.

The power supply booster is comprised of two major components: the 3-BPSMON booster monitor module which mounts on the rail chassis, and the heat sink assembly, which mounts on the rear of the rail chassis.

Each booster supply provides filtered, regulated power to power all modules connected to the rail chassis as well as 24 VDC for auxiliary applications. Each booster supply is rated at 24 VDC at 7.0 A for all outputs.

The power supply provides two independent, power-limited, supervised 24 VDC, 3.5 A auxiliary power outputs. The FSCS series annunciator receives its power from the auxiliary output.

The booster power supplies share a common standby battery with the primary power supply. Each booster supervises its own connection to the battery, however all battery charging and monitoring is done by the primary power supply.

The power supply boosters share the panel's 24 VDC electrical load with the primary power supply. In the event of a failure of a booster power supply, a trouble is annunciated and the panel load is distributed among the operational power sources. Should the load ever exceed the ability of the operable power sources to supply the power, as in the event of an alarm, the system will automatically transfer to standby batteries.

The booster power supply monitor module provides the interface between a booster power supply and the panel, by making the required data and power connections to and from the rail chassis. The booster monitor module mounts *only in slots 3 or 5* on the rail chassis, and is secured to the assembly using snap rivet fasteners. The module features a hinged front panel for mounting a display or a blank protective faceplate.

A 24 VDC auxiliary output is available on plug-in terminals on the booster power supply module. AC power and battery connections are made to fixed terminals on the heat sink assembly, remote from the panel's power-limited wiring.

To take advantage of the power supply's load sharing capability, the booster supplies must be located throughout the rail system in the vicinity of the biggest loads. The largest loads within a cabinet are the 3-ZAxx amplifier modules (1.5 A) and 3-IDC8/4 modules configured as internal 24 VDC NACs (7.0 A, max.) The load should be distributed so that the rails on any chassis are not required to supply more than 21 amps. The following guidelines should be used to locate power supplies:

- Install one power/booster supply on the left side of each chassis, where permitted.
- When a second supply is required on a chassis, install it on the chassis having the greatest load, i.e. 3-ZAxx amplifier modules or 3-IDC8/4 modules in the internal 24VDC NAC configuration.

The model 3-BPS/M Booster Power Supply requires 120 VAC, 50/60 Hz input voltage. The model 3-BPS/M-230 Power Supply Booster requires 230 VAC, 50/60 Hz input voltage.

#### EST3 single Signature signaling line circuit controller local rail module

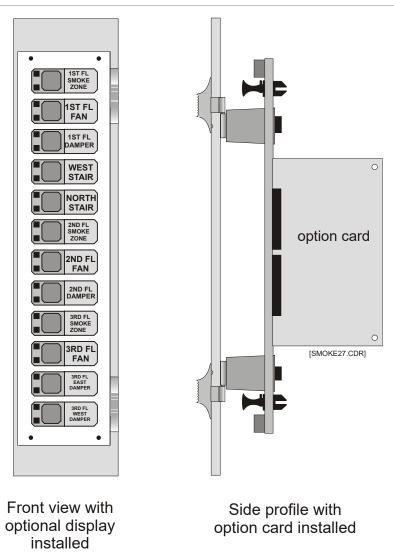
The single Signature signaling line circuit module provides one Class A, Class X, or B Signature signaling line circuit (SLC) for Signature Series detectors and modules.

Each SLC supports up to 125 Signature Series detectors and 125 Signature Series modules wired in a Class A, X, or B configuration.

#### **Notes**

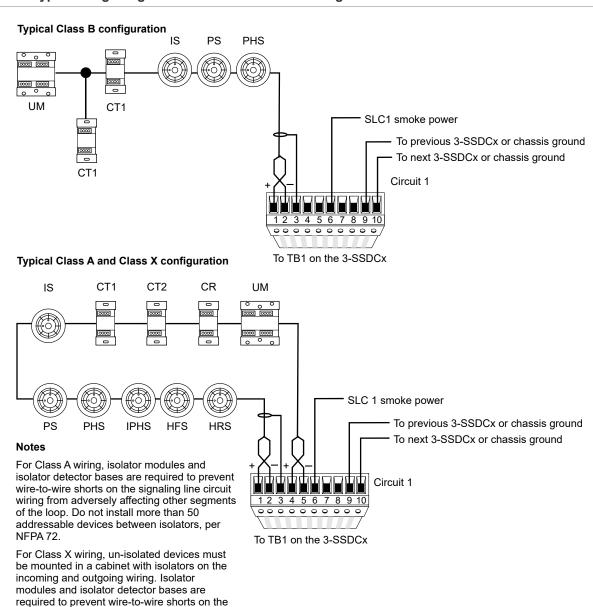
- A maximum of ten 3-SSDC1 or 3-SSDC2 (3-SSDCx) Signature signaling line circuit modules can be installed in a single cabinet. A maximum of 15 UM modules per circuit can be configured to support two-wire smoke detectors (personality codes 13,14, 20, and 21).
- For Class A wiring, isolator modules and isolator detector bases are required to prevent wire-to-wire shorts on the signaling line circuit wiring from adversely affecting other segments of the loop. Do not install more than 50 addressable devices between isolators, per NFPA 72.
- For Class X wiring, isolator modules and isolator detector bases are required to prevent wire-to-wire shorts on the signaling line circuit wiring from adversely affecting any devices of the loop.
- For Class X wiring, un-isolated devices must be mounted in a cabinet with isolators on the incoming and outgoing wiring.

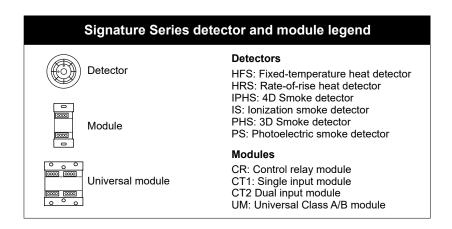
Figure 27: Typical EST3 local rail module



The 3-SSDCx Signature signaling line circuit module requires one connection on the rail chassis, and is secured to the rail assembly using snap rivet fasteners. All field wiring connections to the 3-SSDCx are made via plug-in connectors, permitting termination of field wiring without the module installed in the enclosure. The plug-in connectors and snap rivet mounting also facilitate rapid removal and replacement for troubleshooting without the use of tools. The module features a hinged front panel for mounting a display or a blank protective faceplate.

Figure 28: Typical Single Signature Device Controller wiring





signaling line circuit wiring from adversely affecting any devices of the loop.

**Table 17: Single Signature Driver Controller module specifications** 

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Installation	1 LRM space
Module configuration	1 signaling line circuit
Circuit configuration	Class B, Class A, or Class X
Circuit capacity	125 Signature Series detectors and 125 Signature Series modules per circuit. Maximum of 124 T-taps.
	A maximum of 15 UM modules per circuit can be configured to support two-wire smoke detectors (personality codes 13,14, 20, and 21).
Smoke power	24 VDC at 100 mA
Circuit resistance	79 $\Omega$ , max. (capacitance dependent)
Circuit capacitance	0.5 μF, max.
Max. circuit resistance between isolators	6 Ω
Maximum wire size	14 AWG (1.5 sq. mm)
Termination	Removable plug-in terminal strips
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing
Ground fault	10 k Ω
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#### 3-IDC8/4 traditional zone I/O local rail module

The traditional zone module provides eight Class B direct connect IDCs for compatible two-wire smoke detectors and dry contact initiating devices. Four of the eight IDCs may be converted to Class B notification appliance circuits (NACs).

Each IDC may be set for latching/nonlatching operation and verified/non-verified operation, and each IDC can support up to 30 model 6270B photoelectric smoke detectors or 50 model 6250B ionization detectors.

**Note:** When the rail chassis is used as the 24 VDC source, the module is limited to a 7 A total current draw. Input terminals are provided to supply the external source, which must be power-limited.

The traditional zone module requires one connection on the rail chassis, and is secured to the assembly using snap rivet fasteners. All field wiring connections to the traditional zone module are made via plug-in connectors, permitting termination of field wiring without the module installed in the enclosure. The plug-in connectors and snap rivet mounting also facilitate rapid removal and replacement for trouble shooting without the use of tools. The module features a hinged front panel for mounting a display or a blank protective faceplate.

Figure 29: Typical IDC wiring

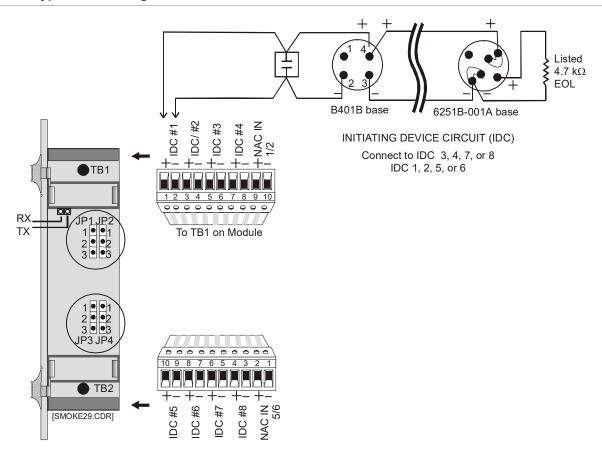


Table 18: 3-IDC8/4 traditional zone I/O module specifications

Installation	1 LRM space
Module configuration	8 initiating device circuits
Initiating device circuit	
Wiring configuration	Class B
Detector voltage	16.23 to 25.4 VDC, max. Ripple 400 mV
Short circuit current	75.9 mA, max.
Circuit resistance	$50 \Omega$ , max.
Capacitance	100 μF, max.
EOL resistor	$4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$
Detector load	50 detectors, maximum
Maximum wire size	12 AWG (2.5 sq. mm)
Termination	Removable plug-in terminal strips on module
Operating Environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

# Components

#### **Detectors**

#### Signature Series detectors

The selection and installation of smoke detection is based upon the geometry of the protected space and the type of expected fire. Signature Series smoke detector application and spacing is detailed in the *Signature Series Intelligent Smoke and Heat Detectors Applications Bulletin* (P/N 270145).

#### Beam detection

Used for high ceilings and large open spaces in buildings where spacing up to 330 ft. (100.6 m) between units is desired or needed.

#### Manual fire alarm pull stations

Manual fire alarm pull stations are normally used for occupant notification in buildings and are not to enable a smoke control system. Manual operation of a dedicated smoke control system, such as a stairwell pressurization system, may be specified by the building system designer or placed in controlled locations accessible to authorized personnel only. For such applications, the Signature Series single or two-stage fire alarm stations are appropriate.

#### **Modules**

Signature Series modules use personality codes to configure a module's operation and provide application flexibility. Single channel Signature modules are programmed with one personality code. Dual channel Signature modules are programmed with two personality codes. Personality codes are listed on the installation sheet for each Signature module. Use of Signature modules will require the use of the 3-SSDCx, which downloads the personality codes which determines how the module will operate.

#### SIGA-CT1

The CT1 is an analog addressable device used to connect a Class B normally-open alarm, supervisory, or monitor type dry contact IDC to a Signature loop controller. One device address is required.

**Personality code 1, NO alarm latching (Class B):** The CT1 is factory assigned personality code 1. Personality code 1 configures the CT1 for Class B normally-open dry contact initiating devices. When the NO input contact of an initiating device is closed, an alarm signal is sent to the loop controller and the alarm condition is latched at the module.

**Personality code 2, NO alarm delayed latching (Class B):** Personality code 2 operates the same as personality code 1 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an Alarm status is generated. Personality code 2 is only for use with non-retarded waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 3, NO active-nonlatching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does NOT latch at the module. Personality code 3 is typically used for monitoring fans, dampers, or doors.

**Personality code 4, NO active latching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status, which is latched at the module. Personality code 4 is typically used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

#### SIGA-CT2

The dual input module, model CT2, is a component of the Signature Series system. The CT2 is an analog addressable device used to connect up to two Class B normally-open alarm, supervisory, or monitor type dry contact IDCs to a Signature loop controller. Two device addresses are required.

**Personality code 1, NO alarm latching (Class B):** The CT2 is factory assigned personality code 1 to input channels 1 and 2. Personality code 1 configures the CT2 for Class B normally-open dry contact initiating devices. When the NO input contact of an initiating device is closed, an alarm signal is sent to the loop controller and the alarm condition is latched at the module.

**Personality code 2**, **NO alarm delayed latching (Class B)**: Personality code 2 operates the same as personality code 1 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an alarm status is generated. Personality code 2 is only for use with non-retarded waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 3, NO active-nonlatching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does not latch at the module. Personality code 3 is typically used for monitoring fans, dampers, and doors.

**Personality code 4, NO active latching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status, which is latched at the module. Personality codes 4 is typically used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

#### SIGA-CR

The control relay module, Model CR, is a component of the Signature Series system. The CR is an addressable device used to provide one Form C dry relay contact to control external appliances such as door closers, fans, dampers, or equipment shutdown. The system firmware ensures that the relay is in the proper ON/OFF state. Upon command from the loop controller, the CR relay energizes. Terminals 6 and 7 provide a normally-closed relay connection; terminals 7 and 8 provide a normally-open relay connection. One device address is required. The loop controller assigns an address to the CR automatically or a custom address can be assigned to the module via laptop computer; no addressing switches are used.

**Personality code 8, Dry contact output:** The CR is factory assigned personality code 8 which configures the CR as an output dry relay contact.

#### SIGA-MM1

The monitor module, model MM1, is a component of the Signature Series system. The MM1 is an analog addressable device used to connect a Class B normally-open monitor type dry contact initiating service circuit (IDC) to a Signature loop controller. One device address is required.

**Personality code 3, NO active-nonlatching (Class B):** The MM1 is factory assigned personality code 3. This configures the MM1 for monitoring of fans, dampers, doors, etc. A contact closure generates an active status. The active status does NOT latch at the module (it follows the status of the input switch).

#### **SIGA-WTM**

The waterflow/tamper module, model WTM, is a component of the Signature Series system. The WTM is an analog addressable device used to connect Class B normally-open waterflow alarm and supervisory IDCs to a Signature loop controller. Two device addresses are required.

**Personality code 2, NO alarm delayed latching (Class B):** Personality code 2 is factory assigned to input channel 1 of the WTM. This configures channel 1 for use with non-retarded waterflow alarm switches. When the NO input contact of an initiating device is closed and maintained closed for approximately 16 seconds, an alarm status is generated and latched at the module.

**Personality code 4**, **NO active latching (Class B)**: Personality code 4 is factory assigned to input channel 2 of the WTM. This configures channel 2 for use with supervisory and tamper switches. Contact closure generates an active status which is latched at the module.

#### SIGA-IM

The isolator module, model IM is a component of the Signature Series system. The IM is an analog addressable device used to protect a Class A or Class X data line from total collapse due to wire to wire short circuits. The IM monitors line voltage and opens the data line when a short is detected. A short will be isolated between two IMs located electrically closest to the short. One detector address is required for each IM.

#### SIGA-UM

The universal Class A/B module, model UM is a component of the Signature Series system. The UM is an analog addressable device used to connect any one of the following:

- Dual input Class B IDC
- Class A or B IDC
- Class A or B for two-wire smoke detectors IDCs on one circuit
- · Class E Form C dry contact relay

The actual function performed by the UM is determined by the personality code downloaded to the module from the Signature Loop Controller during system configuration.

**Personality code 1, NO alarm latching (Class B):** Personality code 1 configures input 1 and/or 2 of the UM for Class B normally-open dry contact initiating devices. When the NO input contact of an initiating device is closed, an alarm signal is sent to the loop controller and the alarm condition is latched at the module.

**Personality code 2, NO alarm delayed latching (Class B):** Personality code 2 operates the same as personality code 1 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an Alarm status is generated. Personality code 2 is only for use with non-retarded waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 3, NO active-nonlatching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does not latch at the module. Personality code 3 is typically used for monitoring fans, dampers, or doors.

**Personality code 4, NO active latching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status, which is latched at the module. Personality code 4 is typically used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

**Personality code 8, dry contact output:** Personality code 8 configures the UM as a Form C dry relay contact to control external appliances including door closers, fans, dampers or equipment shutdown.

**Personality code 9, NO alarm latching (Class A):** Personality code 9 configures the UM for connection of Class A normally-open dry contact initiating devices including pull-stations. When the NO input contact of an initiating device is closed, an alarm signal is sent to the loop controller and the alarm condition is latched at the module.

**Personality code 10, NO alarm delayed latching (Class A):** Personality code 10 operates the same as personality code 9 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an alarm status is generated. Personality code 10 is typically used with waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 11**, **NO active nonlatching (Class A)**: Personality code 11 operates the same as personality code 9 except that contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does not latch at the module. Personality code 11 is typically used for monitoring fans dampers, and doors.

**Personality code 12**, **NO active latching (Class A)**: Personality code 12 operates the same as personality code 9 except that contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status, which is latched at the module. Personality code 12 is typically used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

**Personality code 13, two-wire smoke-non-verified (Class B):** Personality code 13 configures the UM for monitoring of two-wire conventional smoke detectors and normally-open contact initiating devices such as pull stations, on the same circuit.

**Personality code 14, two-wire smoke-verified (Class B)**: Personality code 14 configures the UM for monitoring of 2 wire conventional smoke devices. Normally-open contact initiating devices may not be mixed with two-wire conventional smoke detectors.

**Personality code 15, Signal output (Class A):** Personality code 15 configures the UM for connection of a Class A output NAC.

**Personality code 16, Signal output module (Class B):** Personality code 16 configures the UM for connection of a Class B output NAC.

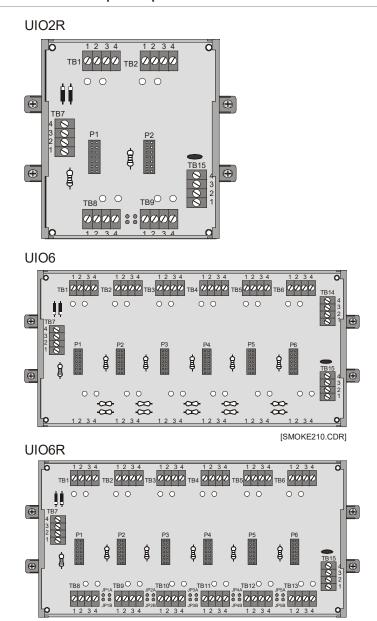
**Personality code 20, two-wire smoke-Non-verified (Class A):** Personality code 20 operates the same as personality code 13, except that wiring is Class A.

Personality code 21, two-wire smoke-verified (Class A): Personality code 21 operates the same as personality code 14, except that wiring is Class A.

#### SIGA-MP1 / SIGA-MP2 / SIGA-MP2L

The MP1, MP2, and MP2L are mounting plates which allow for the installation of multiple Signature plug-in modules in series. The MP1 and MP2 mount in EST3 standard equipment enclosures.

Figure 30: Signature Series universal input/output motherboards



#### SIGA-UIO2R / SIGA-UIO6(R)

The UIO2R, UIO6, and UIO6R universal input/output motherboards provide mounting and wiring terminations for two to six M-series modules. The motherboard conveniently mounts into equipment enclosures or racks. Modules plug into the motherboard and captive screws fasten them down. All module field wiring goes to terminal blocks on the motherboard to permit rapid removal and replacement for troubleshooting.

#### SIGA-MCR

The MCR control relay module is an addressable Signature Series component. A Form C dry contract relay in the MCR may control equipment shutdown or external appliances like door closers, fans, and dampers.

**Personality code 8, dry contact output:** Personality code 8, which is factory assigned, configures the MCR as an output dry contact relay to control external appliances including door closers, fans, dampers or equipment shutdown.

#### SIGA-MCT2

The MCT2 Dual input module is an addressable Signature Series component used to connect up to two Class B normally-open dry contact IDCs to a Signature controller.

**Personality code 1, NO alarm latching (Class B):** Personality code 1 configures input 1 and/or 2 of the UM for Class B normally-open dry contact initiating devices including pull stations.

**Personality code 2, NO alarm delayed latching (Class B):** Personality code 2 operates the same as personality code 1 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an Alarm status is generated. Personality code 2 is only for use with non-retarded waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 3, NO active-nonlatching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does not latch at the module. Personality code 3 is typically used for monitoring fans, dampers, or doors.

**Personality code 4, NO active latching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status, which is latched at the module. Personality code 4 is best used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

#### SIGA-MAB

The MAB Class A/B input/output module, is an addressable Signature Series component which may be used as:

- Class A or B dry contact IDC
- Class A or B NAC

Data entry may define this module as a UM. Make certain the personality code for channel 2 remains 00.

**Personality code 1, NO alarm latching (Class B):** Personality code 1 configures input 1 and/or 2 of the MAB for Class B normally-open dry contact initiating devices.

**Personality code 2, NO alarm delayed latching (Class B):** Personality code 2 operates the same as personality code 1 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an Alarm status is generated. Personality code 2 is only for use with non-retarded waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 3, NO active-nonlatching (Class B):** A contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does not latch at the module. Personality code 3 is typically used for monitoring fans, dampers, or doors.

**Personality code 4, NO active latching (Class B):** Personality code 4 is typically used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

**Personality code 9, NO alarm latching (Class A):** Personality code 9 configures the MAB for connection of Class A normally-open dry contact initiating devices including pull-stations.

**Personality code 10, NO alarm delayed latching (Class A):** Personality code 10 operates the same as personality code 9 except that contact closure must be maintained for approximately 16 seconds before an alarm status is generated. Personality code 10 is typically used with waterflow alarm switches.

**Personality code 11**, **NO active nonlatching (Class A)**: Personality code 11 operates the same as personality code 9 except that contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status and does not latch at the module. Personality code 11 is typically used for monitoring fans dampers, and doors.

**Personality code 12**, **NO active latching (Class A)**: Personality code 12 operates the same as personality code 9 except that contact closure causes an active instead of an alarm status, which is latched at the module. Personality code 12 is best used for monitoring supervisory and tamper switches.

**Personality code 15, signal output (Class A):** Personality code 15 configures the MAB for connection of a Class A output NAC.

**Personality code 16, signal output module (Class B):** Personality code 16 configures the MAB for connection of a Class B output NAC.

#### ARM-8

The ARM-8 Auxiliary Relay Module provides a mounting rail and protective cover for up to eight ARA-1 high current relays. It comes equipped with one ARA-1. Typical applications include: motor control, amplifier switchover, and electric door release.

The ARA-1 is a Form C (DPDT), general purpose, plug-in relay. The ARA-1 mounting base provides screw terminals to connect field wiring easily. A diode is included across the relay energizing coil input terminals to protect it against transients and EMF.

When the ARA-1 is energized, the normally-closed contacts will open (break) before the normally-open contacts will close (make).

Figure 31: ARM-8 module



# FSCS series smoke control graphics annunciators

## **Description**

The FSCS series annunciator provides detailed information on the location of dampers, barriers, and fans. The FSCS series annunciator may display a single smoke zone, a floor, or an entire building. Panel control functions, tailored to firefighter smoke control needs, include the actual status of smoke control equipment and components, which are capable of activation. LED confirmation of individual fans sensed by pressure difference and indications of damper position can be designed into the FSCS series annunciator, the companion LCD display, and the LED switches. The FSCS series annunciator receives its power from the EST3 network.

#### **Cabinets**

The FSCS series annunciator is custom made for each EST3 panel in the firefighter smoke control system, and will be placed in a variety of cabinets according to the size of the building, smoke zones, or components controlled. The FSCS series annunciator will typically be placed in the CBA box or one of the EV1, EV2, or EV3 boxes. The EV series boxes are 24 inches wide and range from 18 to 36 inches (0.457 to 0.914 m) in height.

EST3 FSCS components can also be mounted in any of the 3-CAB Series cabinets detailed in the *EST3 Installation and Service Manual* (P/N 270380).

## **Graphic annunciator modules**

#### 3-ANNCPUx

The 3-ANNCPUx Annunciator Controller module is the control element for all other modules and operator interface units installed in the annunciator. The 3-ANNCPUx processes all information from the displays as well as processing the data received from the remainder of the network over the network data circuit. The annunciator controller module includes:

- Class A/X/B RS-485 communication interface
- Auto address bus master
- · Time of day clock/watchdog and system reset interfaces.

The annunciator controller automatically identifies and supervises all displays installed in the cabinet. An integral watchdog will identify both microprocessor and software faults. The 3-ANNCPUx communicates with other network components over the RS-485 network data circuit. Either a Class A, X, or B wiring configuration may be used for the network data circuit. Field wiring connections to the 3-ANNCPUx module are made via plug-in connector. All external connections are power-limited and transient protected.

The processor functions as the local bus master and supervises all bus traffic via communication cables.

Table 19: 3-ANNCPUx annunciator controller module specifications

Memory capacity		
Message queue	500 events per queue	
Event history	1,000 to 1,700 events, dependent upon event type	
Space required	Three spaces in graphic annunciator enclosure or two spaces in the 3-EVRMF	
Display (optional)	LCD mounts on front when the 3-ANNCPUx is mounted in the 3-EVRMF	
Network communications port		
Configuration	Class B, Class A, or Class X	
Format	RS-485	
Circuit length	5,000 ft. (1,524m) max. between any three panels	
Circuit resistance	90 Ω max.	
Circuit capacitance	0.3 μF. max.	
Wire type	Twisted pair, 18 AWG (0.75 sq. mm) min.	
Power requirements		
Voltage	20 to 28 VDC	
Standby current	171 mA at 24 VDC	
Alarm current	195 mA at 24 VDC	
Wiring		
Termination	All wiring connects to removable plug-in terminal strip	
Size	14 AWG (1.5 sq. mm) max.	
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing	

#### **Graphic annunciator enclosure mounting**

The 3-ANNCPUx annunciator controller module mounts on the 3-EVPWR chassis and requires three spaces in the graphic annunciator enclosure.

#### Graphic annunciator inner door (3-EVRMF) mounting

The 3-ANNCPUx annunciator controller module requires two spaces in the 3-EVRMF annunciator enclosure. The 3-ANNCPUx is mounted on the inner door with two module retainers. All field wiring connections to the 3-ANNCPUx module are made using plug-in connectors. All external connections are power-limited and transient protected. The 3-ANNCPUx module's hinged front panel accommodated the LCD display or a protective cover plate.

Table 20: 3-EVRMF rack mount frame

Installation	Mounts on the front of the graphic annunciator inner door
Dimensions	Requires 7 EIA spaces on the graphic annunciator inner door 19 in. (48.25 cm) wide X 12.25 in.(31 cm) high X 3.25 in. (8.25 cm) deep
Finish	Textured black
Display (optional)	Six module spaces can house up to : 3-ANNCPUx c/w LCD and four 3-ANNSM c/w control-display modules — or — Six 3-ANNSM c/w control-display modules

#### LCD display

The LCD display, switches and LED indicators have the same functionality as the CPU/LCD.

#### **Control-displays**

The control-display module provide additional operator interface capability for the FSCS with individual, assignable, LEDs and touch-pad switches. These LEDs can be assigned the function of confirming fan operation at design cfm and damper position where status is required. Control-display modules mount on the 3-ANNSM support module hinged front panel. All control-display modules are compatible with the lamp test function.

The LED Displays are the same components used in the SCS.

#### 3-ANNSM annunciator support module

The 3 ANNSM annunciator support module provides the electronics required to operate the control-displays. Connect the display ribbon cable (P/N 250186) from connector J1 on the display to connector J1 on the module.

Mount the control-display module the recess on the front of the module door. Secure the display to the module with the four supplied plastic rivets. Snap the door into the module's hinged standoffs.

Install the module on the rail, and close the module display door. Latch the door by sliding the upper latch up and the lower latch down.

Table 21: 3-ANNSM annunciator support module

Installation	1 LRM space
Current requirements Standby Alarm	10 mA at 24 VDC 10 mA at 24 VDC
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

#### 3-ANNBF blank filler plate

3-ANNBF filler plates fill spaces in the annunciator enclosure not used by control-displays.

#### 3-EVPWR

The 3-EVPWR graphic annunciator power module provides a common for graphic LEDs and switches wired to the graphic LED driver modules connected to this node. The 3-EVPWR module is connected to the 3-ANNCPUx command module by ribbon cables.

Included on the Power module are:

- 24 VDC power input terminals
- Power on LED
- · LED and switch commons for all graphic LEDs and switches

The 3-EVPWR graphic annunciator power module mounts on a 19-inch EIA space chassis with the 3-ANNCPUx.

The 3-EVPWR graphic annunciator power module chassis mounts on two rails which are secured to the back of the box. All external connections are power-limited and transient protected.

Table 22: 3-EVPWR graphic annunciator power module specifications

Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing
LED/Sw commons	3 pin cable supplied (c/w "Power On" LED wire)
Size	14 AWG (1.5 sq. mm ) max.
Termination	All external wiring connects to terminals
Wiring	
Alarm current	12 mA at 24 VDC
Standby current	12 mA at 24 VDC
Voltage	20 to 28 VDC
Power requirements	
Power LED	1 green LED on module
Space required	3 spaces in annunciator enclosure (c/w mounting for 3-ANNCPUx)
LCD display	1 LCD mounted on 3-ANNCPUx
Switches	216 switches
LED driver modules LEDs	18 3-EVDVR Graphic LED Driver Modules 432 LEDs
Capacity	

#### 3-EVDVR

The 3-EVDVR graphic LED-switch driver module provides the electronics required to drive the graphic LEDs and switches. The 3-EVDVR modules are connected to the 3-EVPWR graphic annunciator power module by ribbon cables

The Driver module includes:

- Three 8-pin connectors for 24 graphic LEDs
- · One 12-pin connector for 12 graphic switches
- Local node RS-485 communication transmit/receive LEDs

Three 3-EVDVR graphic LED-switch driver modules mount on one 3-EVDVRX plastic mounting extrusion.

The 3-EVDVRX plastic mounting extrusion requires two 19-inch EIA spaces and mounts on two rails which are secured to the back of the box.

Table 23: 3-EVDVR graphic LED-switch driver module specifications

Capacity	
LEDs	24 high intensity graphic LEDs
Switches	12 graphic switches
Space required	Three 3-EVDVR modules will mount in one 3-EVDVRX plastic extrusion which requires two spaces in the annunciator enclosure
LED power requirements	High intensity graphic LEDs recommended
Voltage	5.3 VDC +/- 10%
Current	4.5 mA +/- 10%
Power requirements	
Voltage	20 to 28 VDC
Standby current	5 mA at 24 VDC (c/w 24 LEDs)
Alarm current	40 mA at 24 VDC (c/w 24 LEDs ON for lamp test)
Alarm current	5 mA at 24 VDC (c/w 0 LEDs ON)
LED ON current	1.45 mA at 24 VDC / LED ON
Wiring	
LEDs	Three 8-pin cables supplied
Switches	One 12-pin cable supplied
Operating environment	32 to 120 °F (0 to 49 °C), 0 to 93% relative humidity, noncondensing

#### EVSC3

This 3-position toggle switch is a component in the custom designed FSCS series annunciator for manual control of smoke control operations.

#### **EVZSLED**

This LED indicates the status of smoke control system and is a component of the custom FSCS series annunciator.

# **FSCS** current requirements

Graphic annunciator current requirements worksheet						
Project Annunciator number						
Description	Qty		Standby (mA)	Total standby (mA)	Alarm (mA)	Total alarm (mA)
3-ANNCPUx	1	х	171	171	195	195
3-EVPWR	1	х	12	12	12	12
3-EVDVR		х	5		5	
Number of graphic LEDs		х	0		1.45/LED	
LCD		х	53		53	
3-ANNSM		х	10		10	
3-6/3Sxxx (18 LEDs)		х	2+0.5/LED On		2+0.5/LED On	
3-12Sxxx (12 or 24 LEDs)		х	2+0.5/LED On		2+0.5/LED On	
3-24xxx (24 LEDs)		х	2+0.5/LED On		2+0.5/LED On	
Battery requirement		=	TOTAL (IMax)	(A)		(B)
Wiring load requirements			(A) x 1.50		(B) x 1.50	

Table 24: Load vs. annunciator power source circuit (3.4 V drop)

	Maximum distance to last annunciator				
Corrected load current	14 AWG (1.5 sq. mm)	16 AWG (1.0 sq. mm)	18 AWG (0.75 sq. mm)		
0.1A	6,538 ft. (1,993 m)	4,250 ft. (1,296m)	2,615ft (797 m)		
0.25A	2,615 ft. (797 m)	1,700 ft. (518 m)	1,046 ft. (319 m)		
0.5A	1,308 ft. (399 m)	850 ft. (259 m)	523 ft. (159 m)		
0.75A	865 ft. (264 m)	563 ft. (172 m)	346 ft. (105 m)		
1.0A	654 ft. (199 m)	425 ft. (130 m)	262 ft. (80 m)		
2.0A	327 ft. (100 m)	213 ft. (65 m)	131 ft. (40 m)		
3.0A	217 ft. (66 m)	141 ft. (43 m)	87 ft. (27 m)		
3.5A	187 ft. (57 m)	121 ft. (37 m)	75 ft. (23 m)		

# Wiring diagrams

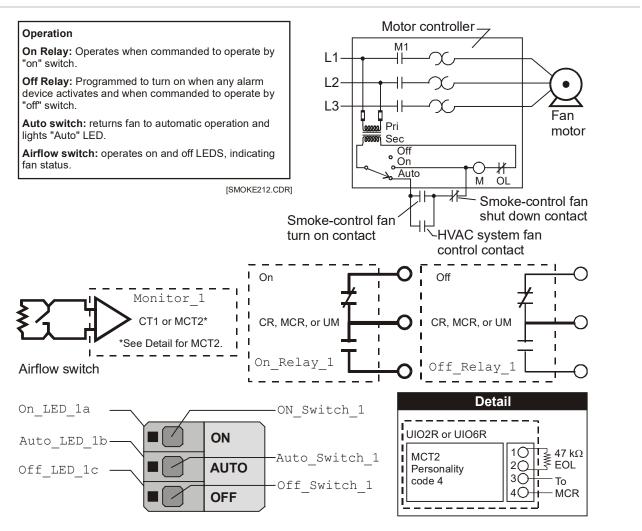
## Relay control with control-displays

There are numerous smoke control applications which require the use of automatic relays to control related systems within a smoke zone. These controls must be provided with manual override switches and status LEDs at the FSCS. The custom FSCS series annunciator with three-position EVSC3 series toggle switches can serve this function.

#### **Fan Control and Monitor**

This application requires two interlocked relays to start and stop a fan. An independent air flow switch is provided to monitor the fan status.

Figure 32: Fan control and monitor



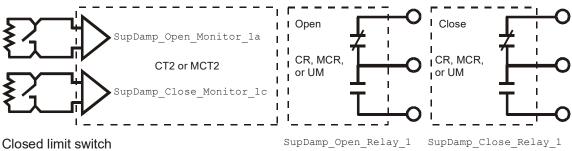
#### Damper control and monitor

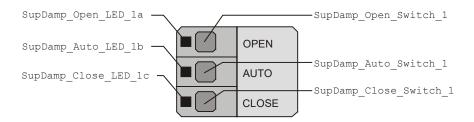
For smoke control, this application requires two interlocked relays to open and close a damper. The position of the damper must be indicated on the control panel during active alarm conditions. Confirmation of the damper in the zone-required position is indicated on the graphic annunciator panel and LED.

Figure 33: Damper control with status indicators

#### Smoke-control damper Operation open and close relay contacts Open Relay: Programmed to operate when any device on another floor activates and when commanded to operate by "open" switch. Damper Open motor Close Relay: Programmed to operate when any automatic device Close on fire floor activates and when commanded to operate by "close" Neutra Limit switches operate open and closed LEDs, indicating damper position. Damper open and "Auto" switch returns damper to automatic operation (steps 1 and 2) close limit switches and lights "Auto" LED. [SMOKE213.CDR]

## Open limit switch

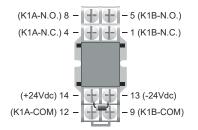




#### **ARA-1** wiring

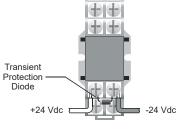
#### Figure 34: ARA-1 wiring diagram

**Note:** Relay contact terminal normally-open (N.O.) and normally-closed (N.C.) designations are assigned when the relay is non-energized.

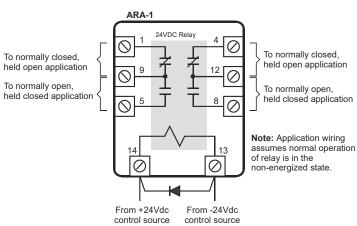


Relay Base Pin Designations

**Note:** +24Vdc control voltage is connected to cathode (banded end) of diode.



Control Voltage Wiring



#### **RELAY STATE TABLE**

	Relay Contact	Non-energized	Energized		
K1A	Pin 12 to Pin 8	Open	Closed		
	Pin 12 to Pin 4	Closed	Open		
K1B	Pin 9 to Pin 5	Open	Closed		
KIB	Pin 9 to Pin 1	Closed	Open		

[SMOKE214.CDR]

Figure 35: 120 VAC HVAC fan shutdown circuit

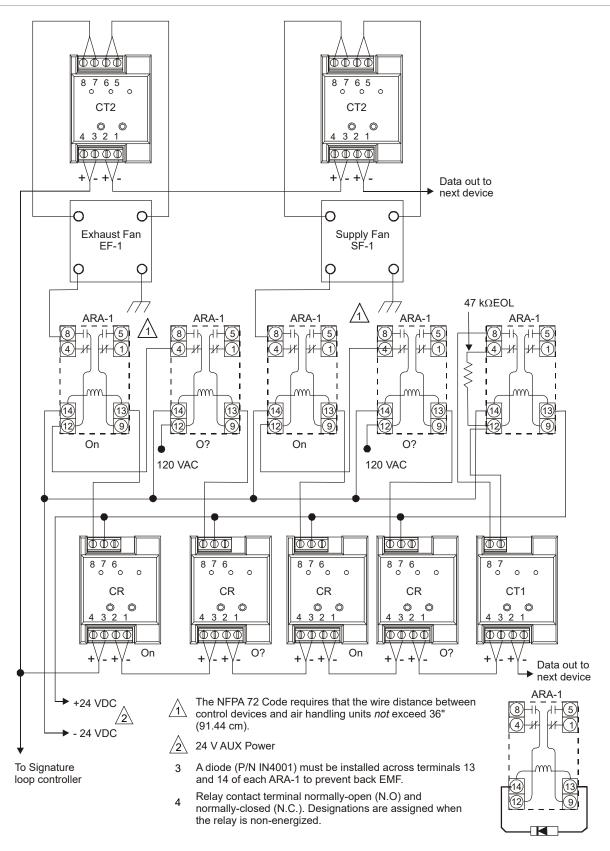


Figure 36: 120 VAC HVAC fan shutdown circuit with M-series modules

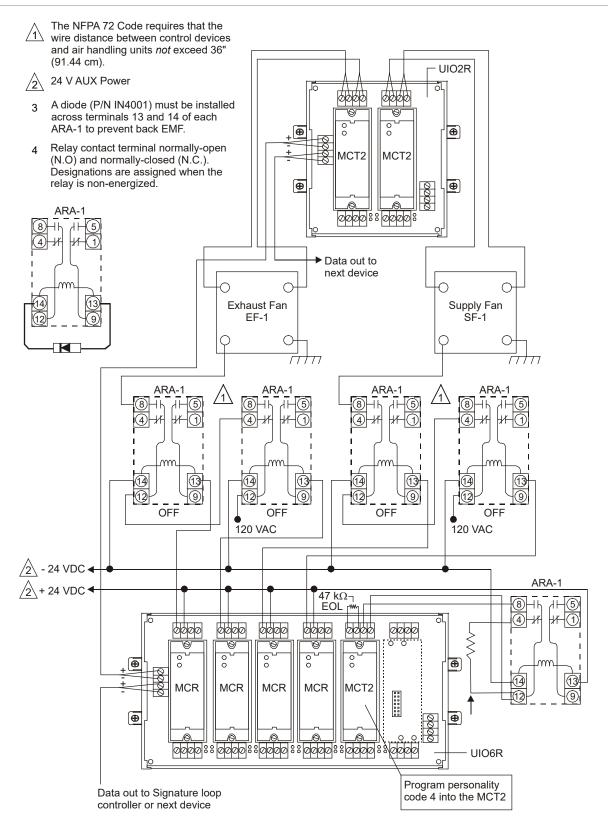


Figure 37: Fan shutdown circuit

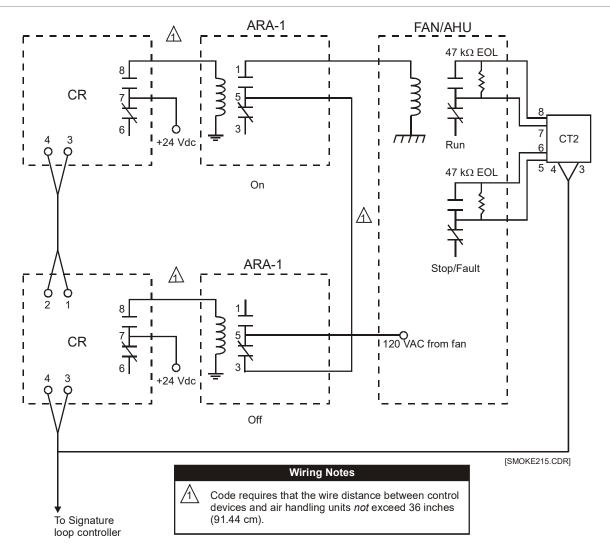
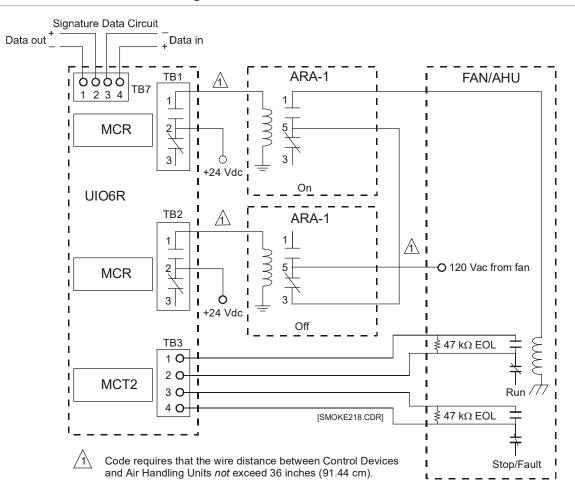


Figure 38: Fan shutdown circuit with Signature M-series modules



# Chapter 3 Smoke control system programming

#### **Summary**

This chapter provides information and procedures required to write programming rules for smoke control system functions.

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# **Programming smoke control**

All EST3 SCS and FSCS smoke control application programming is done using rules and object programming as found in this chapter and in the 3-SDU Help. The advantages are numerous:

- Devices are referenced by their descriptive labels. There is no need to use device addresses.
- One rule can replace multiple individual device responses.
- Labels and device types simplify creating a device's response.
- Group input and output functions are quickly implemented.
- Label processing tools are designed into the SDU.

The following line identifies a supply fan on the fourth floor of a building. The device address is the set of numbers to the left while the information on the right is a label for the device. The label reveals more information about the device point and its function than the numeric device label.

For smoke control systems in a building, rules writing will center around smoke zones defined by physical barriers composed of walls and doors. Rules will result in control actions within a smoke zone where the fire is occurring and also in zones adjacent to the fire.

#### **Fundamentals**

All smoke control system processes may be divided into three fundamental parts: inputs, controls, and outputs. Examples of smoke control system inputs are smoke detectors, pull stations, and sprinkler waterflow switches. Smoke control outputs include: control relays for fans and dampers.

The relationship between the inputs and the outputs is determined by the control function of the smoke control system. For a basic smoke control system, this control function can be stated simply as: when smoke detector "A" activates, switch fan "A" on. As a smoke control system becomes more complex, it will require a more sophisticated set of rules to make up the control function for multiple smoke zones.

The EST3 SCS system designer establishes a number of rules which define the operation of the system. Designers assign descriptive names or labels to smoke detectors, smoke zones, fan control relays, damper control relays, and monitor points. This aids the programming process by easily identifying all the devices in the system, and eliminating the need to juggle long strings of address numbers.

UL smoke control requirements state that only the first automatic response can activate automatic smoke control functions. All subsequent changes in the operation of the smoke control system must be performed manually at the SCS or the FSCS. In order to prevent subsequent adjacent smoke zones automatic responses from overriding the initial smoke control actions centered in the fire area, AND groups are created for each smoke control zone.

When an input goes active, the smoke control system compares the device's input label to all the rules stored in its memory. When a match is found between a device and a rule, the rule is executed. Executing the rule requires the smoke control system to again search its memory for all output device labels which match the rule. The matching output devices are then turned on or off, as specified in the rule.

**Non-smoke control functions:** All device responses for non-smoke control functions such as elevator capture, unlocking doors, etc. should not be programmed in with smoke control functions despite their location within a smoke control zone.

## Before you begin

The EST3 SCS uses a system of rules and objects to define the relationships between the system inputs and outputs. This is the same criterion used for the EST3 system. Critical to the use of these rules is the naming of the objects making up the system. When properly labeled, the true power of the EST3 rules and object programming is revealed.

Before you begin configuring a system, you should take the time to:

- Make sure you understand the concepts of objects, labels, and rules
- Develop a labeling plan centered around smoke control zone AND groups
- Identify the objects in the system and determine the relationships between the inputs and outputs

# Understanding objects, labels, and rules

# **Objects**

An object is any addressable device or circuit in the system that can be used to initiate an input event in a rule or can be the subject of an output action. An object may be:

- A physical system component such as: an LRM, a smoke detector, or a light emitting diode (LED)
- A logic group comprised of physical system components
- An artificial internal point, sometimes referred to as a pseudo point, designed into the system to monitor system events.

For example, the 3-SSDCx Single Signature Driver Controller is an object as are the Signature Series detectors connected to it. In contrast, the 3-IDC8/4 initiating device circuit is an object, each of its eight zones are objects.

#### Labels

A label is any descriptive word or words created by the EST3 SCS system designer to identify a specific object in the database. Labels are also used to identify a rule. Labels have the following characteristics:

- Labels must be unique. Duplicate labels will generate compiler errors and prevent you from compiling the database.
- · Labels are arbitrary. They are assigned by EST3 SCS system designers to simplify programming.
- Labels may contain up to forty characters. The characters may be any ASCII character except: braces "{ }",
  the percent symbol "%", asterisks "\*", and blank spaces. You should generally try to limit LRM labels to twenty
  characters.

Labels are not case sensitive and in some cases are automatically assigned by the system. For example, the system will automatically assign labels for pseudo points on the CPU, LCD, and other LRMs.

### **Rules**

A rule is a statement specifying what operation or operations will occur when a certain event takes place. A rule is composed of an input statement and an output statement, separated by a colon and ended with a semicolon.

When the conditions are met to make the input statement true (active), then the system will respond as directed by the output statement.

```
[Rule Label]
Input Statement:Output Statement;
```

If a rule has four operations, designated <code>output\_command\_1</code>, <code>output\_command\_2</code>, <code>output\_command\_3</code>, and <code>output\_command\_4</code>, they will be performed in the order they are listed in the rule when the rule is executed. When the event activating the rule restores, the operations performed by the rule will automatically restore in the reverse order.

# Developing a labeling plan

Programming an EST3 SCS will require that you assign labels to cabinets, modules, and other objects in the database. Before you start programming, you need to develop a labeling plan. By developing a labeling plan, you will ensure that your labels will be understandable and useful. This chapter contains examples of labels for various types of HVAC system configurations which are used in smoke control.

There are five things you should consider in your labeling plan:

- Label format
- Label content
- Use of common label modifiers
- · Label numbering
- · Use of labels as messages

All labels must be unique. Duplicate labels are not allowed.

# Formatting labels

To make your labels more readable, and more understandable, your plan should include how labels will be formatted. You should take into consideration that labels will be viewed on-line, on printed reports and on the system display panel. Formatting considerations may include:

- · How to separate label modifiers
- Whether to use all uppercase or all lowercase characters or a combination of both
- How label modifiers may be abbreviated

Functionally, it makes no difference whether your labels contain upper or lowercase characters.

Note: The most important thing to remember about formatting labels is to be consistent.

**Example methods for formatting labels:** The following shows three examples using different methods of label formatting for a smoke zone in the building:

```
LEVEL1_AREA1
LEVEL1_AREA1
Level1_Area1
```

The first label may be hard to read because it uses all uppercase characters and there is no separation between the label modifiers LEVEL1 and AREA1. The second label places an underscore between the two modifiers which makes it easier to read. The third label uses upper and lowercase characters to differentiate between label modifiers.

Some tips to consider when formatting labels:

- Be consistent. Consistency is the most important factor in making your labels easy to use and understand. You want to avoid using LEVEL1, LEVEL\_1, and Level1as label modifiers to reference the same building.
- Find a comfortable balance between readability and length. Adding extra underscores to separate label
  modifiers, as in LEVEL1\_AREA1\_S\_DMP\_OP 5, may make the label more readable but unnecessarily adds
  to the length.

#### Remote annunciator programming configuration instructions

The FSCS series annunciators are configured as part of the system using the program. Each annunciator for a project must be configured as a separate cabinet (node). Use the substitutions indicated in the table below to define each graphic annunciator in the system.

Table 25: Graphic annunciator programming substitutions

Annunciator Components	Substitute Entry
For each annunciator add one cabinet (32 cabinets maximum per system including all panels)	xxx-CAB21
In slot 3 remove the 3-PS/M by configuring the LRM Type as None	Slot 3 None
The first LED-switch driver module is added to slot 4 as a 3-LDSM on the hardware layer and a 12SW/24LED on the operator layer.	Slot 4 3-LDSM 12SW/24LED
Add additional LED-switch driver modules as required to subsequent slots as a 3-LDSM on the hardware layer and a 12SW/24LED on the operator layer.	Subsequent Slots 3-LDSM 12SW/24LED

Note: There are no RS-232 ports or common relay contacts available on the 3-ANNCPUx.

# Smoke control considerations and sequencing

#### Smoke control functions

For the EST3 smoke control system only the first automatic response can activate automatic smoke control functions. All subsequent changes to the smoke control system must be done manually at the FSCS. In order to prevent subsequent automatic responses from overriding and affecting the smoke control functions of the zone where the fire is, AND groups are used as follows:

- An AND group must be created for each smoke zone.
- The elements contained in the AND group must be all of the automatic and manual alarm initiating devices which automatically initiate the smoke control function for a particular smoke control zone.
- Each AND group used for smoke control *must* have its activation number set at one (1).
- Each AND group activates the automatic smoke control functions for its respective smoke zone.
- Upon receipt of an alarm the fire smoke controls AND group must disable all other smoke control AND groups.

## **Using AND groups for smoke control**

```
[ALARM 'AND Group1']
{ALARM 'AND Group1' is an AND group which contains all initiating devices in smoke
zone #1. The activation number =1}
[ALARM 'AND Group2']
{ALARM 'AND Group2' is an AND group which contains all initiating devices in smoke
zone #2. The activation number =1}
[ALARM 'AND Group3']
{ALARM 'AND Group3' is an AND group which contains all initiating devices in smoke
zone #3. The activation number =1}
Example
[ALARM 'AND Group1']
ALARM 'AND GROUP1' :
  ON -LOW 'ZONE 1 DOOR CLOSE',
   STEADY 'ZONE 1 DOOR CLOSE LED*',
   ON DMP 'ZONE 1 EXHAUST DAMPER OPEN',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 EXHAUST_DAMPER_AUTO',
   STEADY 'ZONE 1 EXHAUST DAMPER OPEN LED*',
   ON -LOW 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY DAMPER CLOSE',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY DAMPER AUTO',
   STEADY 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY DAMPER CLOSE LED*',
   ON LOW 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST DAMPER CLOSE',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST DAMPER AUTO',
   STEADY 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST DAMPER CLOSE LED*',
   ON -LOW 'ZONE_2_SUPPLY_DAMPER_OPEN',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 SUPPLY DAMPER AUTO',
   STEADY 'ZONE 2 SUPPLY DAMPER OPEN LED*,
   DLYA 0075,
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN OFF',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN AUTO',
   STEADY -HIGH 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN OFF LED*',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST FAN OFF',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST FAN AUTO',
   STEADY -HIGH 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST FAN OFF LED*',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 SUPPLY FAN ON',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 SUPPLY FAN AUTO',
   STEADY -HIGH 'ZONE 2 SUPPLY FAN ON LED*',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 EXHAUST FAN ON',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 EXHAUST FAN AUTO',
   STEADY -HIGH 'ZONE 1 EXHAUST FAN ON LED*',
   DLYA 60,
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN OFF TROUBLE',
   FAST -HIGH 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN OFF TROUBLE LED',
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST FAN OFF TROUBLE',
   FAST -HIGH 'ZONE 2 EXHAUST FAN OFF TROUBLE LED';
[DISABLE AND GROUP]
ALARM 'AND GROUP1' :
```

```
DISABLE 'AND_GROUP3',
DISABLE 'AND_GROUP4',
DLYA 30;
```

# Weekly self-testing

The rule below demonstrates how to program an automatic weekly self-test for a dedicated smoke control systems (i.e. stairwell pressurization systems).

```
[TIME CONTROLS ZONE W]

TIME 'FAN_TEST_ZONE_W':

ON -HIGH 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_DAMPER_OPEN',

OFF 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_DAMPER_AUTO',

STEADY 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_DAMPER_ON_LED*',

DLYA 60,

ON -HIGH 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_FAN_ON',

OFF -HIGH 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_FAN_AUTO',

STEADY 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_FAN_ON_LED';
```

## System Response time

Smoke control activation is to be initiated immediately after receipt of an appropriate automatic or manual activation command. Smoke control systems activate individual components such as fans and dampers in a sequence necessary to prevent physical damage to equipment. The total response time for individual components to achieve operational mode should remain within the limits set in NFPA 92 as a base requirement:

- 60 seconds for fan operation at smoke system design rate
- 75 seconds for isolating damper travel

The Uniform Building Code, one of the three model building codes in use in the US, establishes more restrictive limits on smoke control system response times. Section 905.14 of the UBC requires individual components to achieve their desired operating mode according to device:

Table 26 UBC response time requirements

Component	Response time
Control air isolation valves	Immediately
Smoke damper closing	15 seconds
Smoke damper openings	15 seconds maximum
Fan starting (energizing)	15 seconds maximum
Fan stopping (de-energizing)	Immediately
Fan volume modulation	30 seconds maximum
Pressure control modulation	15 seconds maximum
Temperature control safety override	15 seconds maximum
Positive indication of status	15 seconds maximum

Note: Local codes may require different response times.

# Rules for smoke control programming

Table 27 contains rules for programming the various components of a smoke control system. Rules will be written for each of the smoke zones.

LEVEL<n> (AREA<n>)

Table 27 Smoke control rules for supply dampers

Label	Function	Device type
S_DMP_OP <n></n>	Supply damper open control module <n></n>	DamperControl
S_DMP_CL <n></n>	Supply damper close control module <n></n>	DamperControl
S_DMP_SW_OP <n></n>	Supply damper open switch <n></n>	Switch
S_DMP_SW_CL <n></n>	Supply damper close switch <n></n>	Switch
S_DMP_SW_AU <n></n>	Supply damper automatic switch <n></n>	Switch
S_DMP_LED_OP <n></n>	Supply damper open switch LED <n></n>	LED
S_DMP_LED_CL <n></n>	Supply damper close switch LED <n></n>	LED
S_DMP_LED_AU <n></n>	Supply damper automatic switch LED <n></n>	LED
S_DMP_MON_OP <n></n>	Supply damper open monitor module <n></n>	DamperFeedback (DAMP)
S_DMP_MON_CL <n></n>	Supply damper closed monitor module <n></n>	DamperFeedback (DAMP)
S_DMP_MON_OP_LED <n></n>	Supply damper open monitor LED <n></n>	LED
S_DMP_MON_CL_LED <n></n>	Supply damper closed monitor LED <n></n>	LED

Table 28 Smoke control rules for supply fans

Label	Function	Device type
S_FAN_ON <n></n>	Supply fan on control module <n></n>	FanControl
S_FAN_OFF <n></n>	Supply fan off control module <n></n>	FanControl
S_FAN_SW_ON <n></n>	Supply fan on switch <n></n>	Switch
S_FAN_SW_OFF <n></n>	Supply fan off switch <n></n>	Switch
S_FAN_SW_AU <n></n>	Supply fan automatic switch <n></n>	Switch
S_FAN_LED_ON <n></n>	Supply fan on switch LED <n></n>	LED
S_FAN_LED_OFF <n></n>	Supply fan off switch LED <n></n>	LED
S_FAN_LED_AU <n></n>	Supply fan automatic switch LED <n></n>	LED

Label	Function	Device type
S_FAN_MON_ON <n></n>	Supply fan on monitor module <n></n>	FanFeedback (FANFB)
S_FAN_MON_OFF <n></n>	Supply fan off monitor module <n></n>	FanFeedback (FANFB)
S_FAN_MON_ON_LED <n></n>	Supply fan on monitor LED <n></n>	LED
S_FAN_MON_OFF_LED <n></n>	Supply fan off monitor LED <n></n>	LED

## Table 29 Smoke control rules for return dampers

Label	Function	Device type
R_DMP_OP <n></n>	Return damper open control module <n></n>	DamperControl
R_DMP_CL <n></n>	Return damper close control module <n></n>	DamperControl
R_DMP_SW_OP <n></n>	Return damper open switch <n></n>	Switch
R_DMP_SW_CL <n></n>	Return damper close switch <n></n>	Switch
R_DMP_SW_AU <n></n>	Return damper automatic switch <n></n>	Switch
R_DMP_LED_OP <n></n>	Return damper open switch LED <n></n>	LED
R_DMP_LED_CL <n></n>	Return damper close switch LED <n></n>	LED
R_DMP_LED_AU <n></n>	Return damper automatic switch LED <n></n>	LED
R_DMP_MON_OP <n></n>	Return damper open monitor module <n></n>	DamperFeedback (DAMP)
R_DMP_MON_CL <n></n>	Return damper closed monitor module <n></n>	DamperFeedback (DAMP)
R_DMP_MON_OP_LED <n></n>	Return damper open monitor LED <n></n>	LED
R_DMP_MON_CL_LED <n></n>	Return damper closed monitor LED <n></n>	LED

## Table 30 Smoke control rules for return fans

Label	Function	Device type
R_FAN_ON <n></n>	Return fan on control module <n></n>	FanControl
R_FAN_OFF <n></n>	Return fan off control module <n></n>	FanControl
R_FAN_SW_ON <n></n>	Return fan on switch <n></n>	Switch
R_FAN_SW_OFF <n></n>	Return fan off switch <n></n>	Switch
R_FAN_SW_AU <n></n>	Return fan automatic switch <n></n>	Switch
R_FAN_LED_ON <n></n>	Return fan on switch LED <n></n>	LED
R_FAN_LED_OFF <n></n>	Return fan off switch LED <n></n>	LED

Label	Function	Device type
R_FAN_LED_AU <n></n>	Return fan automatic switch LED <n></n>	LED
R_FAN_MON_ON <n></n>	Return fan on monitor module <n></n>	FanFeedback (FANFB)
R_FAN_MON_OFF <n></n>	Return fan off monitor module <n></n>	FanFeedback (FANFB)
R_FAN_MON_ON_LED <n></n>	Return fan on monitor LED <n></n>	LED
R_FAN_MON_OFF_LED <n></n>	Return fan off monitor LED <n></n>	LED

Table 31 Smoke control rules for exhaust dampers

Label	Function	Device type	
E_DMP_OP <n></n>	Exhaust damper open control module <n></n>	DamperControl	
E_DMP_CL <n></n>	Exhaust damper close control module <n></n>	DamperControl	
E_DMP_SW_OP <n></n>	Exhaust damper open switch <n></n>	Switch	
E_DMP_SW_CL <n></n>	Exhaust damper close switch <n></n>	Switch	
E_DMP_SW_AU <n></n>	Exhaust damper automatic switch <n></n>	Switch	
E_DMP_LED_OP <n></n>	Exhaust damper open switch LED <n></n>	LED	
E_DMP_LED_CL <n></n>	Exhaust damper close switch LED <n></n>	LED	
E_DMP_LED_AU <n></n>	Exhaust damper automatic switch LED <n></n>	LED	
E_DMP_MON_OP <n></n>	Exhaust damper open monitor module <n></n>	DamperFeedback (DAMP)	
E_DMP_MON_CL <n></n>	Exhaust damper closed monitor module <n></n>	DamperFeedback (DAMP)	
E_DMP_MON_OP_LED <n></n>	Exhaust damper open monitor LED <n></n>	LED	
E_DMP_MON_CL_LED <n></n>	Exhaust damper closed monitor LED <n></n>	LED	
E_FAN_ON <n></n>	Exhaust fan on control module <n></n>	FanControl	
E_FAN_OFF <n></n>	Exhaust fan off control module <n></n>	FanControl	
E_FAN_SW_ON <n></n>	Exhaust fan on switch <n></n>	Switch	
E_FAN_SW_OFF <n></n>	Exhaust fan off switch <n></n>	Switch	
E_FAN_AU_OFF <n></n>	Exhaust fan automatic switch <n></n>	Switch	
E_FAN_LED_ON <n></n>	Exhaust fan on switch LED <n></n>	LED	
E_FAN_LED_OFF <n></n>	Exhaust fan off switch LED <n></n>	LED	
E_FAN_LED_AU <n></n>	Exhaust fan automatic switch LED <n></n>	LED	
E_FAN_MON_ON <n></n>	Exhaust fan on monitor module <n></n>	FanFeedback (FANFB)	
E_FAN_MON_OFF <n></n>	Exhaust fan off monitor module <n></n>	FanFeedback (FANFB)	
E_FAN_MON_ON_LED <n></n>	Exhaust fan on monitor LED <n></n>	LED	
E_FAN_MON_OFF_LED <n></n>	Exhaust fan off monitor LED <n></n>	LED	
*Fan and damper control switches are 3-6/3S1Gxx configured as interlocked switches.			

# Rule example

The example assumes each floor is a smoke zone. A floor may be divided into several smoke zones as well, with rules written for each zone using the same approach as this example.

Note: All smoke detectors are in level<n>.

## **Example 1**

#### Start up

```
[disable led] {LEDs may be disabled so they do not indicate device status in
nonalarm (Auto) condition.}
Startup:
  Disable LED 'S DMP MON OP LED*',
   Disable LED 'S DMP MON CL LED*',
   Disable LED 'S DMP LED OP*',
   Disable LED 'S DMP LED CL*',
   Disable LED 'S_DMP_LED_AU*',
   Disable LED 'S FAN MON OP LED*',
   Disable LED 'S FAN MON CL LED*',
   Disable LED 'S FAN_LED_OP*',
   Disable LED 'S FAN_LED_CL*',
   Disable LED 'S FAN LED AU*',
   Disable LED 'R DMP MON OP LED*',
   Disable LED 'R DMP MON CL LED*',
   Disable LED 'R DMP LED OP*',
   Disable LED 'R DMP LED CL*',
   Disable LED 'R DMP LED AU*',
   Disable LED 'R FAN MON OP LED*',
   Disable LED 'R FAN MON CL LED*',
   Disable LED 'R FAN LED OP*',
   Disable LED 'R FAN_LED_CL*',
   Disable LED 'R FAN LED AU*',
   Disable LED 'E DMP MON OP LED*',
   Disable LED 'E DMP MON CL LED*',
   Disable LED 'E DMP LED OP*',
   Disable LED 'E DMP LED CL*',
   Disable LED 'E DMP LED AU*',
   Disable LED 'E FAN MON OP LED*',
   Disable LED 'E FAN MON_CL_LED*',
   Disable LED 'E FAN LED OP*',
   Disable LED 'E FAN LED CL*',
   Disable LED 'E FAN LED AU*';
[auto fan] {set fan control modules to required normal states}
Startup:
```

**Programming note**: You may wish to disable all the fan control switches so they will not operate when the HVAC system is in the Auto mode.

#### **Switches**

```
[Switch SUPPLY FAN ON] { Manual Switch Programming}
  SW 'ZONE <N:1-4> SUPPLY FAN ON SWITCH*' :
  FANON -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN ON',
  FAST 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN MAN ON LED*',
  FAST 'SUPPLY FAN MAN ON LED',
  SLOW 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN AUTO',
  ON -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN AUTO',
  OFF -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN OFF',
  OFF -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN OFF LED*',
  DLYA 60,
  ON 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN ON TROUBLE',
  FAST 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN ON TROUBLE LED',
  FAST 'SUPPLY FAN ON TROUBLE LED*';
[Switch SUPPLY FAN OFF]
SW 'ZONE <N:1-4> MAN SUPPLY FAN OFF SWITCH*' :
  ON -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN OFF',
  FAST 'ZONE <N> MAN SUPPLY FAN OFF LED*',
  FAST 'SUPPLY FAN MAN OFF LED',
  SLOW 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN OFF LED*',
  ON -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN AUTO',
  OFF -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN ON',
  OFF -HIGH 'ZONE <N> SUPPLY FAN ON LED*',
  DLYA 60
  ON 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN OFF TROUBLE',
  FAST 'ZONE 1 SUPPLY FAN OFF TROUBLE LED',
  FAST 'SUPPLY FAN OFF TROUBLE LED*';
```

#### **Monitor Points**

```
[Monitor SUPPLY_FAN_ON]
MONITOR 'ZONE_<N:1-4>_SUPPLY_FAN_MON_ON':
    STEADY 'ZONE_<N>_SUPPLY_FAN_MON_ON_LED*';

[Monitor S_FAN_OFF]
MONITOR 'ZONE_<N:1-4>_SUPPLY_FAN_MON_OFF':
    STEADY 'ZONE_<N>_SUPPLY_FAN_MON_OFF_LED*';

[Monitor SUPPLY_DMP_OPEN]
MONITOR 'ZONE_<N:1-4>_SUPPLY_DMP_MON_OPEN':
    STEADY 'ZONE_<N>_SUPPLY_DMP_MON_OP_LED*';

[Monitor SUPPLY_DMP_CLOSED]
MONITOR 'ZONE_<N:1-4>_SUPPLY_DMP_MON_CL':
    STEADY 'ZONE_<N:1-4>_SUPPLY_DMP_MON_CL':
    STEADY 'ZONE_<N>_SUPPLY_DMP_MON_CL_LED*';
```

#### Reset

```
[reset] {Resets Panel and LEDs after Panel is reset to Auto or "normal" state.}
SW 'RESET' :
    RESET 'ALL_CABINETS',
    STEADY 'RESET_LED';
```

#### Weekly self-testing

```
[TIME CONTROLS ZONE W] {Weekly self testing of dedicated smoke-control systems.
i.e. stairwell pressurization systems}
TIME 'FAN_TEST_ZONE_W':
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_DAMPER_OPEN',
   OFF 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_DAMPER_AUTO',
   STEADY 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_DAMPER_ON_LED*',
   DLYA 60,
   ON -HIGH 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_FAN_ON',
   OFF -HIGH 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_FAN_AUTO',
   STEADY 'ZONE_W_SUPPLY_FAN_ON_LED';
```

**Note:** Configure the required date and time in SDU programming for the activation of the FAN\_TEST\_ZONE\_W object label.

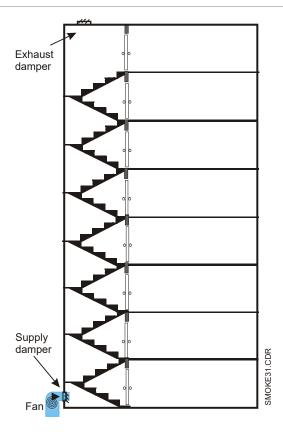
# **HVAC** and system control examples

# **Dedicated systems**

Table 32: Dedicated smoke control stair tower

	Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
1	Open supply air dampers for smoke control	Provide a fresh air source to dilute smoke which may enter stair
2	Open exhaust air dampers for smoke zone	Outlet vent for air in stair
3	Start stair tower smoke exhaust fan	Pull air through exhaust damper
	*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	Confirms system operation and shut-in

Figure 39: Dedicated smoke control stair tower



## Dedicated smoke control stair tower rules example

{Auto Limit StairW is an AND group containing all initiating devices in stair tower W. The activation number =1. Disable AND Groups for other alarms would be added to this example}
[Smoke Control StairW]
ALARM SMOKE 'STAIRW':

OPEN 'S\_DMP\_OP\_STAIRW',
DLY 0060,

ON -HIGH 'E\_FAN\_ON\_STAIRW'; [Monitor StairW E FAN OFF]

MONITOR 'E\_FAN\_MON\_OFF\_StairW':
 STEADY 'E\_FAN\_MON\_OFF\_StairW';

[Monitor StairW E FAN ON]

MONITOR 'E\_FAN\_MON\_ON\_StairW':

STEADY 'E\_FAN\_MON\_ON\_StairW';

[Monitor StairW S DMP OPEN]

MONITOR 'S\_DMP\_MON\_OP\_StairW':
 STEADY 'S DMP MON OP StairW';

[Monitor StairW E DMP OPEN]

MONITOR 'E\_DMP\_MON\_OP\_StairW':

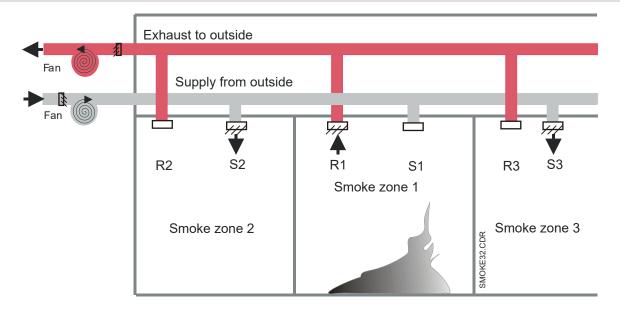
STEADY 'E DMP MON OP StairW';

# Single zone smoke control systems with direct outside air and direct exhaust air

Table 33: Single zone smoke control systems with direct outside air and direct exhaust air

	Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
1	AUTO OFF	Override all HVAC controls
2	Stop the smoke zone HVAC supply fan (Where fire is detected)	Reduce pressure development
3	Stop designated adjacent zone HVAC return fans	Keep out smoke
4	Close smoke zone supply air dampers	Stop smoke spread
5	Close adjacent zone return air dampers	Keep out smoke
6	Open exhaust dampers for smoke zone	Vent fire and develop negative pressure ir smoke zone
7	Open outside air dampers for adjacent zone	Develop positive pressure and keep out smoke
8	Close exhaust dampers of adjacent zone systems	Develop positive pressure
9	Start smoke zone return fan	Maintain negative pressure
10	Start adjacent zone supply fan	Maintain positive pressure
11	Reset the static pressure control (if present) to maximum allowable value for all systems under active EST3 SCS control	Monitoring and control
	*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	Confirms system operation and proper compartmenting

Figure 40: Single zone smoke control systems with direct outside air and direct exhaust air



## Single zone smoke control system rules example

```
{Auto Limit SMKZONE1 is an AND group which contains all initiating devices in stair
tower A. The activation number =1}
   [Smoke Control SMKZONE1]
  ALARM 'AND SMKZONE1':
   {SUPPLY FAN OFF IN FIRE AREA}
   FANOFF 'S FAN OFF SMKZONE1',
   {DISABLE ADJACENT AND SMKZONE2, AND SMKZONE3}
   DISABLE 'AND SMKZONE2',
   DISABLE 'AND SMKZONE3',
   DLYA 30',
   {SUPPLY DAMPER OPEN ADJACENT ZONES}
   OPEN 'S DMP OP SMKZONE2',
   OPEN 'S DMP OP SMKZONE3',
   {RETURN FAN OFF ADJACENT ZONES}
   FANOFF 'R FAN OFF SMKZONE2',
   FANOFF 'R FAN OFF SMKZONE3',
   {RETURN DAMPER CLOSE}
   CLOSE 'R DMP CLOSE SMKZONE2',
   CLOSE 'R DMP CLOSE SMKZONE3',
   {EXHAUST DAMPERS}
   OPEN 'E DMP OP SMKZONE1',
   CLOSE 'E DMP CLOSE SMKZONE2',
   CLOSE 'E DMP CLOSE SMKZONE3',
   {RETURN FANS}
   DLY 0060,
  FANON -HIGH 'R FAN ON SMKZONE1',
   {SUPPLY FANS}
   FANON -HIGH 'S FAN ON SMKZONE2',
   FANON -HIGH 'S FAN ON SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE1 FANS]
MONITOR 'S FAN MON OFF SMKZONE1':
   STEADY 'S FAN MON OFF LED SMKZONE1';
MONITOR 'R FAN MON ON SMKZONE1':
   STEADY 'R FAN MON ON SMKZONE1';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 R FAN OFF]
MONITOR 'R FAN MON OFF SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'R FAN MON OFF SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 R FAN OFF]
MONITOR 'R FAN MON OFF SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'R FAN MON OFF SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 S FAN ON]
MONITOR 'S FAN MON ON SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'S FAN MON ON SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 S FAN ON]
MONITOR 'S FAN MON ON SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'S_FAN_MON_ON_SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE1 R DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'R DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1':
```

```
STEADY 'R DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 R DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'R DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2':
  STEADY 'R DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 R DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'R DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3':
  STEADY 'R DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE1 E DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON OP SMKZONE1':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON OP SMKZONE1';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 E DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 E DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 S DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'S DMP MON OP SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'S DMP MON OP SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 S DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'S_DMP_MON_OP_SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'S DMP MON OP SMKZONE3';
```

# Single zone smoke control with common outside air and exhaust air

Table 34: Single zone smoke control with common outside air and exhaust ducts

	Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
1	AUTO OFF	Override HVAC system
2	Stop the smoke zone HVAC supply fan (Where fire is detected)	Reduce pressure development
3	Close smoke zone supply air dampers	Isolate smoke zone
4	Stop designated adjacent zone HVAC return fans	Limit smoke spread
5	Close exhaust dampers of adjacent zone systems	Limit smoke spread
6	Stop supply and return fans of all remote zone systems on common outside air and exhaust ducts	Prevent smoke extension
7	Open (fully) common outside air damper	Allow for fresh air entry
8	Open (fully) common exhaust damper	Allow for exhausting smoke
9	Close return air dampers for the smoke zone	Prevent smoke back-flow and create negative pressure
10	Close return air dampers for adjacent zones	Keep out smoke
11	Open smoke zone exhaust damper	Vent smoke, create negative pressure
12	Turn on smoke zone return air fan	Vent smoke, create negative pressure in fire area
13	Open supply air dampers on adjacent zones	Provide fresh air

	Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
14	Turn on adjacent zone supply fans	Create positive pressure in zone
15	Turn on common system supply fan (if not previously activated)	Create positive pressure in zone
16	Turn on common system exhaust fan (if not previously activated)	Vent smoke, create negative pressure in fire area
17	Reset the static pressure control (if present) to maximum allowable value for all systems under active EST3 SCS control	Monitoring and control
	*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	Confirms system operation and proper compartmenting

# **Central system smoke control**

Table 35: Central system smoke control

Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
AUTO OFF	Overrides HVAC controls
Open central system outside exhaust air dampers	Reduce pressure development in smoke zone
Open central system outside supply air dampers	Limit smoke spread
Close central system return air dampers	Limit smoke spread
Close smoke zone supply air damper	Isolate smoke development
Open smoke zone exhaust air damper	Reduce pressure development
Close adjacent zone exhaust air dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
Open fully adjacent zone supply air dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
Close supply air dampers to remote zones on central system	Limit smoke spread
Close exhaust air dampers to remote zones on central system	Limit smoke spread
Start central system supply fan (if not currently on)	Pressurize adjacent zones
Start central system return fan (if not currently on)	Create negative pressure in smoke zone by exhausting smoke
Reset the static pressure control (if present) to maximum allowable value for all systems under active FSCS control	Monitoring and control
*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	Confirms system operation and proper compartmenting
	Open central system outside exhaust air dampers  Open central system outside supply air dampers  Close central system return air dampers  Close smoke zone supply air damper  Open smoke zone exhaust air damper  Close adjacent zone exhaust air dampers  Open fully adjacent zone supply air dampers  Close supply air dampers to remote zones on central system  Close exhaust air dampers to remote zones on central system  Start central system supply fan (if not currently on)  Start central system return fan (if not currently on)  Reset the static pressure control (if present) to maximum allowable value for all systems under active FSCS control

**Note:** Multiple central systems serving portions of a fire floor will require sequencing for each central system command consistent with smoke control application.

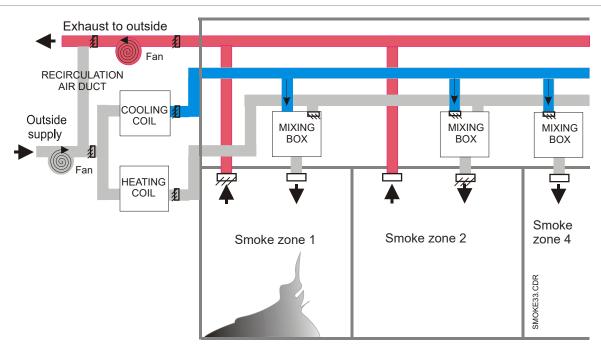
# **Dual duct smoke control**

Table 36: Dual duct smoke control

	Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
1	AUTO OFF	Overrides HVAC system
2	Open central outside exhaust damper	Reduce pressure development in smoke zone
3	Open central outside supply damper	Limit smoke spread
4	Close central return damper	Limit smoke spread
5	Reset duct static pressure controls to maximum design levels	Maximize air flow and prevent duct collapse or failure
6	Close smoke zone hot duct damper	Isolate smoke development
7	Close smoke zone cold duct damper	Isolate smoke development
8	Open smoke zone exhaust damper	Reduce pressure development
9	Close adjacent zone exhaust dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
10	Open fully adjacent zone hot duct dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
11	Open fully adjacent zone cold duct dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
12	Configure adjacent zone mixing boxes for maximum air flow	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
13	Close hot dampers to remote zones on dual duct system	Limit smoke spread
14	Close cold dampers to remote zones on dual duct system	Limit smoke spread
15	Close exhaust air dampers to remote zones on dual duct system	Limit smoke spread
16	Start central system supply fan (if not currently on)	Pressurize adjacent zones
17	Start central system return fan (if not currently on)	Create negative pressure in smoke zone by exhausting smoke
	*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	Confirms system operation and proper compartmenting

**Note:** Multiple dual duct systems serving portions of a fire floor will require sequencing for each dual duct system consistent with smoke control application.

Figure 41: Dual duct smoke control



# Dual duct smoke control rules example

{ Auto Limit SMKZONE 1 is an AND group which contains all initiating devices in smoke zone 1. The activation number =1}

```
[Smoke Control SMKZONE1]
ALARM SMOKE 'SMKZONE1':
   {E DMP OPEN CENTRAL}
  OPEN 'E DMP OP CENTRAL',
   {S DMP OPEN CENTRAL}
   OPEN 'S DMP OP CENTRAL',
   {DISABLE OTHER SMKZONES}
   DISABLE 'AND SMKZONE2',
   DISABLE 'AND SMKZONE3',
   DISABLE 'AND SMKZONE4',
   DISABLE 'AND SMKZONE5',
   DLYA 30,
   {R DMP CLOSE CENTRAL}
  CLOSE 'R_DMP_CLOSE_CENTRAL',
   {Duct Pressure Control is set to Max Value}
   ON 'DUCT PRESSURE CONTROL',
   {H DMP CLOSE SMKZONE1}
  CLOSE 'H DMP CLOSE SMKZONE1',
   {C DMP CLOSE SMKZONE1}
   CLOSE 'C DMP CLOSE SMKZONE1',
   {E DMP OPEN SMKZONE1}
  OPEN 'E DMP OP SMKZONE1',
   {E DMP CLOSE}
   CLOSE 'E DMP CLOSE SMKZONE2',
```

```
CLOSE 'E DMP CLOSE SMKZONE3',
   {H DMP OPEN}
   OPEN 'H DMP OP SMKZONE2',
   OPEN 'H DMP OP SMKZONE3',
   {C DMP OPEN}
   OPEN 'C DMP OP SMKZONE2',
   OPEN 'C DMP OP-SMKZONE3',
   {Configure SMKZONE2/3 Mixing Boxes(M) for Maximum Flow}
   OPEN 'C DMP OP SMKZONE2',
   OPEN 'C DMP OP SMKXONE3',
   OPEN 'H DMP OP SMKZONE2',
   OPEN 'H DMP OP SMKXONE3',
   {H DMP OPEN REMOTE ZONES}
   OPEN 'H DMP OP SMKZONE4',
   OPEN 'H DMP OP SMKZONE5',
   {C DMP OPEN REMOTE ZONES}
   OPEN 'C DMP OP SMKZONE4',
   OPEN 'C DMP OP SMKZONE5',
   {E DMP CLOSE REMOTE ZONES}
   CLOSE 'E DMP CLOSE SMKZONE4',
   CLOSE 'E DMP_CLOSE_SMKZONE5',
   {S FAN ON CENTRAL}
   DLY 0060,
   FANON -HIGH 'S FAN ON CENTRAL',
   {R FAN ON CENTRAL}
  FANON -HIGH 'R FAN ON CENTRAL';
[Monitor CENTRAL E DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON OP CENTRAL':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON OP CENTRAL';
[Monitor CENTRAL S DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'S DMP MON OP CENTRAL':
   STEADY 'S DMP MON OP CENTRAL';
[Monitor CENTRAL R DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'R DMP MON CLOSE CENTRAL':
   STEADY 'R DMP MON CLOSE CENTRAL';
[Monitor CONTROLS DUCT PRESSURE]
MONITOR 'CONTROLS DUCT PRESSURE':
   STEADY 'CONTROLS_DUCT_PRESSURE';
[Monitor SMKZONE1 H DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'H DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1':
   STEADY 'H DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1';
[Monitor SMKZONE1 C DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'C DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1':
   STEADY 'C DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1';
[Monitor SMKZONE1 E DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE1';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 E DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2';
```

```
[Monitor SMKZONE3 E DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 H DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'H DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'H DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 H DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'H DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'H DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE2 C DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'C DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'C DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE2';
[Monitor SMKZONE3 C DMP CLOSE]
MONITOR 'C DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'C DMP MON CLOSE SMKZONE3';
[Monitor Mixing Box (M) Settings Zone2]
MONITOR 'M DMP OP SMKZONE2':
   STEADY 'M DMP OP SMKZONE2';
[Monitor Mixing Box (M) Settings Zone3]
MONITOR 'M DMP OP SMKZONE3':
   STEADY 'M DMP OP SMKZONE3';
[Monitor SMKZONE4 H DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'H DMP MON OP SMKZONE4':
   STEADY 'H DMP MON OP SMKZONE4';
[Monitor SMKZONE5 H DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'H DMP MON OP SMKZONE5':
   STEADY 'H DMP MON OP SMKZONE5';
[Monitor SMKZONE4 C DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'C DMP MON OP SMKZONE4':
   STEADY 'C DMP MON OP_SMKZONE4';
[Monitor SMKZONE5 C DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'C DMP MON OP SMKZONE5':
   STEADY 'C DMP MON OP SMKZONE5';
[Monitor SMKZONE4 E DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON OP SMKZONE4':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON OP SMKZONE4';
[Monitor SMKZONE5 E DMP OPEN]
MONITOR 'E DMP MON OP SMKZONE5':
   STEADY 'E DMP MON OP SMKZONE5';
[Monitor CENTRAL S FAN ON]
MONITOR 'S FAN MON ON CENTRAL':
   STEADY 'S FAN MON ON CENTRAL';
[Monitor CENTRAL R FAN ON]
MONITOR 'R FAN MON ON CENTRAL':
   STEADY 'R FAN MON ON CENTRAL';
```

# Multi-zone smoke control

Table 37: Multi-zone smoke control

	Smoke control sequence commands	Objective		
1	AUTO OFF	Overrides HVAC controls		
2	Open central multi-zone outside exhaust outside dampers	Reduce pressure development in smoke zone		
3	Close central multi-zone return damper	Limit smoke spread		
4	Reset duct static pressure controls to maximum design levels	Maximize air flow and prevent duct collapse of failure		
5	Close smoke zone air supply damper	Isolate smoke development		
6	Open smoke zone air exhaust damper	Reduce pressure development		
7	Close adjacent zone exhaust dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread		
8	Open fully adjacent zone supply air dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread		
9	Close supply air dampers to remote zones on multi zone system	Limit smoke spread		
10	Close exhaust air dampers to remote zones on multi zone system	Limit smoke spread		
11	Start multi-zone system supply fan (if not currently on)	Pressurize adjacent zones		
12	Start multi-zone system return fan (if not currently on)	Create negative pressure in smoke zone by exhausting smoke		
	*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	Confirms system operation and proper compartmenting		

**Note:** Multiple dual duct systems serving portions of a fire floor will require sequencing for each dual duct system consistent with smoke control application.

# **VAV** smoke control

Table 38: VAV smoke control

Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
AUTO OFF	Overrides HVAC System
Open central VAV outside exhaust outside dampers	Reduce pressure development in smoke zone
Close central VAV return damper	Limit smoke spread
Reset duct static pressure controls to maximum design levels	Maximize air flow and prevent duct collapse or failure
Close smoke zone air supply damper	Isolate smoke development
Open smoke zone air exhaust damper	Reduce pressure development
Close adjacent zone exhaust dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread

Smoke control sequence commands	Objective
Open fully adjacent zone supply air dampers	Prepare zones for pressurization and limit smoke spread
Close supply air dampers to remote zones on VAV system	Limit smoke spread
Close exhaust air dampers to remote zones on VAV system	Limit smoke spread
Start VAV system supply fan (if not currently on) and set for maximum allowable volume	Pressurize adjacent zones
Start VAV system return fan (if not currently on) and set for maximum allowable volume	Create negative pressure in smoke zone by exhausting smoke
	Confirms system operation and shut-in
*Monitor at panels air flow and damper position	

**Note:** Multiple VAV systems serving portions of a fire floor will require sequencing for each VAV system consistent with smoke control application.

# Chapter 4 Smoke control acceptance and testing

#### **Summary**

Initial smoke control system turn on procedures and information concerning acceptance testing is provided in this chapter.

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# **Testing**

Absence of a consensus agreement for a testing procedure and acceptance criteria for smoke control has historically created numerous problems at time of system acceptance, including delays in obtaining a certificate of occupancy.

The building owner, smoke control system designer, and EST3 SCS designer/installer must agree upon the objective and design criteria for smoke control with the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ)at the planning stage of the project to help ensure testing requirements are consistent with the systems original design. EST3 SCS design submittals for AHJ approval should include a procedure for acceptance testing in order that any programming or operational requirements set by the AHJ may be incorporated.

EST3 SCS contract documents should include operational and acceptance testing procedures so that system and smoke control systems designers, installers, and the owner have an understanding of the system objectives and the testing procedure. The system designer, responsible for defining air flow rates, zones, and tenability will rely heavily upon the 3-SSDCx to provide detection of fire and control of components which compartmentalize or vent smoke.

# **Testing documentation**

Upon completion of acceptance testing, a copy of all operational testing documentation should be provided to the owner and AHJ. This documentation should be available for reference in periodic testing and maintenance. For integrated systems, installed in compliance with NFPA 72, records of all testing and maintenance shall be kept on the protected premises for a period of at least five (5) years.

# Smoke control panel acceptance test procedure

Once the system has been wired, programmed, and the circuit faults corrected, all installed components should be tested as a system, to ensure proper operation. Should additional problems be discovered, refer to the *EST3 Installation and Service Manual* for details on how to correct any problems uncovered. Since most EST3 SCSs will be integrated into an EST3 fire alarm network, testing and acceptance may also need to comply with the requirements of NFPA 72. The *EST3 Installation and Service Manual* (P/N 270380) contains system power-up and testing procedures which should also be consulted. The FSCS, where installed, may also be integrated into the EST3 fire alarm network and tested under NFPA 72.

The initial system check is designed to verify that all components of the system are installed and operating as designed. Verifying that the system was designed and installed according to specifications requires all aspects of the system to be exercised and the results verified. Where test results differ from those expected, corrective action must be taken.

Before commencing testing, notify all areas where the alarm sounds and off premise locations that receive alarm and trouble transmissions, if any, that testing is in progress.

Testing of the smoke control system will logically be performed as a part of the smoke control air flow and compartmentation testing. While flow rates of fans may be the responsibility of others, their operation is contingent upon proper installation and programming of the EST3 SCS and FSCS. The test procedures reflect smoke control building component testing and smoke control system and FSCS testing divided into three categories based upon NFPA 92 test procedures:

- Component testing
- Acceptance testing
- Periodic testing and maintenance

**Building component testing:** The intent of building component testing is to establish that the final smoke control installation complies with the specified design, is functioning properly, and is ready for acceptance testing.

Prior to testing, the party responsible for this testing, normally the system designer, should verify completeness of building construction or compartmenting components including the following architectural features:

- · Shaft integrity
- Firestopping or glazing which may enclose a large space
- Doors and closers related to smoke control
- · Partitions and ceilings

The operational testing of each individual building system component is performed to determine if smoke zones or areas are complete exclusive of EST3 SCS programmed commands. These operational tests normally will be performed by various trades before interconnection to the EST3 SCS is made.

It should be certified in writing by the responsible trades that each system component's installation is complete and the component is functional including relays installed by others for interconnection to the EST3 SCS. Each component test should be individually documented, including such items as speed, voltage, and amperage.

Because smoke control systems are usually an integral part of building operating systems, testing of the building system should include the following subsystems to the extent that they affect the operation of the smoke control system:

- Energy management system
- Building management and security system
- HVAC equipment
- Electrical equipment
- · Temperature control system
- Power sources and standby power for fans and damper
- · Automatic suppression systems
- Automatic operating doors and closures
- Emergency elevator operation

In most applications building control components to the smoke control system are required to operate from the building's emergency power system as a backup to primary power. The electrical load required for motors in fan control circuits and status indicators from the emergency power must be provided for in emergency power design.

EST3 SCS/FSCS component testing: Components activated by the smoke control system to be tested include:

- Dedicated smoke control systems
- Non-dedicated smoke control systems
- Fire alarm systems installed under NFPA 72

The FSCS series annunciator must receive power from other sources. The cabinet does not contain batteries for emergency power.

# Acceptance testing

The intent of acceptance testing is to demonstrate that the final integrated system installation complies with the specified design and is functioning properly. One or more of the following should be present to grant acceptance:

- · Building system designer
- EST3 SCS designer/installer
- AHJ

All documentation from component testing should be available for inspection.

#### **Building test equipment**

The following equipment may be needed to determine air flows and compartmentation as a part of smoke control acceptance testing:

- Differential pressure gauges, inclined water or electronic manometer
- Scale suitable for measuring door-opening force
- · Anemometer, including traversing equipment
- ammeter
- Flow-measuring hood (optional)
- · Door wedges
- Tissue paper roll (for indicating direction of airflow)
- Signs indicating a test of the smoke control system is in progress
- · Walkie-talkie radios for coordinating equipment

#### **EST3 SCS test equipment**

#### Required Tools:

- · Slotted Screwdriver, Insulated
- Digital Multimeter
- 12 inch (30.5 cm) jumper lead with alligator clips
- Panel Door Key

#### **Building test parameters**

The following parameters need to be measured during acceptance testing:

- Total volumetric flow rate
- · Airflow velocities and direction
- Door-opening forces
- Pressure differentials and ambient temperature

#### Smoke control test parameters

The following parameters need to be confirmed during acceptance testing:

- EST3 SCS component control
- EST3 SCS detection
- FSCS override and component control

# **Building component testing procedures**

Prior to beginning acceptance testing, all building equipment should be placed in the normal operating mode, including equipment that is not used to implement smoke control, such as toilet exhaust, elevator shaft vents, elevator machine room fans, and similar systems.

Wind speed, direction, and outside temperature should be recorded on each test day.

If standby power has been provided for the operation of the smoke control system fans, louvers, or dampers, the acceptance testing should be conducted while on both normal and standby power. Disconnect the normal building power at the main service disconnect to simulate true operating conditions in this mode.

# **EST3 SCS/FSCS test procedures**

Smoke control acceptance testing should include demonstrating that the correct outputs are produced for each input of a control sequence specified. Consideration should be given to the following control sequences, so that the complete smoke control sequence is demonstrated:

- Normal mode
- Automatic smoke control mode for first alarm
- Second alarm annunciation without automatic override of first alarm
- Manual override of normal and automatic smoke control modes
- · FSCS controls (where installed) override of all other system controls
- Return to normal

It is acceptable and desirable to perform acceptance tests for the fire alarm system in conjunction with the smoke control system. One or more device circuits on the fire alarm system could initiate a single input signal to the smoke control system. The smoke control acceptance testing is included in the *EST3 Installation and Service Manual* (P/N 270380).

A prepared smoke control system testing procedure should be developed to establish the appropriate number of initiating devices and initiating device circuits to be operated to demonstrate the smoke control system operation for the AHJ's approval. The section "Other" on page 123 contains additional information on test methods which may come under AHJ consideration for acceptance testing.

#### **EST3 SCS/FSCS testing for smoke control**

Table 39: Initial acceptance testing for smoke control equipment

Component	Test procedure		
Primary power supplies	Verify that all components are installed in workman like manner.		
(required for EST3 SCS)	<ol><li>Verify adequate separation between power-limited and nonpower- limited wiring.</li></ol>		
	<ol> <li>Verify that the installed batteries are the proper capacity for the application including the FSCS series annunciator, where installed.</li> </ol>		
	4. With the batteries disconnected, verify that the supply's full alarm load can be sustained by the power supply without the batteries connected. (Temporarily jumper the positive battery terminal to the positive auxiliary output to remove the battery trouble.)		
	<ol> <li>With the batteries connected, disconnect the AC source and verify that a power supply trouble is annunciated, and that the supply's full alarm load can be sustained by the batteries. The full alarm load may include the FSCS.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Verify that the battery charger properly charges the batteries connected to both the primary and booster power supplies to 80% capacity within 24 hours.</li> </ol>		

Table 40: Initial acceptance testing for smoke control equipment

Component		Test procedure		
Booster power supplies	1.	Verify that all components are installed in workman like manner.		
		Verify adequate separation between power-limited and nonpower-limited wiring.		
	3.	Verify that the installed batteries are the proper capacity for the application including the FSCS series annunciator, where installed.		
	4.	With the batteries disconnected, verify that the supply's full alarm load can be sustained by the power supply without the batteries connected. (Temporarily jumper the positive battery terminal to the positive auxiliary output to remove the battery trouble).		
		With the batteries connected, disconnect the AC source and verify that a power supply trouble is annunciated, and that the supply's full alarm load can be sustained by the batteries. The full alarm load may include the FSCS.		
CPU panel controller module with LCD display module	1.	Verify the module is properly seated in all four rail connectors and secured with the four snap rivets. Verify that removable terminal strips TB1 and TB2 are firmly seated.		
	2.	Verify that all components are installed in workman like manner.		
	3.	Verify that the correct date and time are displayed on the LCD display, and the Power LED is on.		
		Simultaneously press the Alarm Silence, and Panel Silence buttons to activate the lamp test function. Verify all LED's on the graphic panel light.		

#### **Test procedure**

- 5. Initiate an alarm and verify that: the Ack Alm LED flashes, the alarm relay transfers, the correct device message appears at the top of the LCD window, the active point counter increments, the event sequence indicates a "1", the active Alarm events counter at the bottom of the display indicates A001, the event type indicates fire alarm, and the local panel buzzer sounds. The graphic annunciator panel will have a panel alarm LED and zone LED. Press the Ack Alm button and verify that the LED lights steady. Press the Panel Silence button to verify that the panel buzzer silences and the Panel Silence LED lights. Press the Alarm Silence button and verify that the required notification appliances are silenced. Press the Details button and verify that the alarm device's expanded message, if any, is displayed. If a printer is connected to the CPU, verify that all specified information appears on the printer.
- 6. Initiate a second alarm in another smoke control zone and verify that: it appears at the bottom of the LCD window, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "2", the active Alarm events counter at the bottom of the display indicates A002, the event type indicates alarm, the Alarm LED re-flashes, the local panel buzzer resounds, and the first Alarm message remains at the top of the LCD display. Press the Ack Alm button and verify that the LED lights steady.
- 7. Initiate a third alarm in a remaining area and verify that: its message appears at the bottom of the LCD window, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "3", the active Alarm events counter at the bottom of the display indicates A003, the event type indicates alarm, and the local panel buzzer re-sounds, and the alarm message remains at the top of the LCD display. Press the Ack Alm button and verify that the LED lights steady.
- 8. Use the previous and next message switches to verify that you can scroll through all three messages in the alarm queue, as indicated by the event sequence window.
- 9. Press the Reset button. Verify that all initiating devices reset and that all panel indicators clear except the green power LED on the panel or remote annunciator CPU and the graphic annunciator panel.
- 10a.Initiate an active Monitor condition and verify that: the Ack Mon LED flashes, the correct active Monitor device message appears in the top and bottom windows of the LCD, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "1", the active Monitor events counter at the bottom of the display indicates M001, and the event type indicates Monitor. Press the Ack Mon button and verify that the LED lights steady. Initiate a second active Monitor condition and verify that the first Monitor message remains at the top of the LCD window, that the second Monitor event message appears at the bottom of the display, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "2", the active Monitor events counter at the bottom of the display indicates M002.

#### Component

#### **Test procedure**

- 10b.Initiate an active Trouble condition and verify that: the ACK Tbl LED flashes, the correct active Trouble device message appears in the top and bottom windows of the LCD, the local panel buzzer sounds, the Trouble relay transfers, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "1", the active Trouble events counter at the bottom of the display indicates T001, and the event type indicates Trouble. The graphics panel also contains a general trouble LED. Press the Ack Tbl button and verify that the LED lights steady. Press the Panel Silence button to verify the panel buzzer silences and the Panel Silence LED lights. The graphics panel also contains a panel silence and Reset button which should also activate. Initiate a second active Trouble condition and verify that the first Trouble message remains at the top of the LCD window, that the second Trouble event message appears at the bottom of the display, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "2", the active Trouble events counter at the bottom of the display indicates T002
- 10c.Initiate an active Supervisory condition and verify that the Ack Sup LED flashes, the correct active Supervisory device message appears in the top and bottom windows of the LCD, the local panel buzzer sounds, the Supervisory relay transfers, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "1", the active Supervisory events counter at the bottom of the display indicates S001 and the event type indicates Supervisory. Press the Ack Sup button and verify that the LED lights steady. Press the Panel Silence button to verify the panel buzzer silences and the Panel Silence LED lights. Initiate a second active Supervisory condition and verify that the first Supervisory message remains at the top of the LCD window, that the second Supervisory event message appears at the bottom of the display, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "2", the active Supervisory events counter at the bottom of the display indicates S002.
- 10d. Initiate an active Alarm, verify that alarm LED flashes, the correct fire alarm/smoke control message appears in the top and bottom windows of the LCD the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "1", the active alarm events counter at the bottom of the display indicates A001 and the event type indicates alarm. Press the Ack Alm button and verify that the LED lights steady. Press the Panel Silence button to verify the panel buzzer silences and the Panel Silence LED lights. Initiate a second Alarm condition and verify that the first Alarm message remains at the top of the LCD window, that the second Alarm event message appears at the bottom of the display, the active point counter changes, the event sequence indicates a "2", the active alarm events counter at the bottom of the display indicates A002.
- 11. LEDs for operation of smoke control components in 1-10 above are also contained on the graphic annunciator panel and must be confirmed for each device.
- 12. Press the Reset button on the LCD or annunciator panel and verify that all devices reset and the panel returns to the normal condition.

Component	Test procedure
3-RS232 card installed in CPU	Verify the card is properly seated in its connector and secured with the snap rivet.
	<ol><li>Verify that the baud rate of the peripheral device connected to the port matches the port setting as set using the SDU program.</li></ol>
	<ol><li>Check the printer (CPU only) operation by initiating an active condition on the system or generating a system report via the keypad.</li></ol>
3-RS485 card installed in CPU,	1. Verify the card is properly seated in its connector and secured
Class B configuration	<ol><li>For smoke control panels which are networked, start with the network in the normal condition and use the status command to verify all connected cabinets are communicating over the network.</li></ol>
	<ol> <li>Disconnect the network data communications wiring (TB2-17/18 and 19/20) from the cabinet with the primary LCD module, and verify that all the other system cabinets connected to the network appear in the trouble queue.</li> </ol>
3-RS485 card installed in CPU, Class A or Class X configuration	<ol> <li>Verify the card is properly seated in its connector and secured with the snap rivet.</li> </ol>
	<ol><li>For smoke control panels which are networked, start with the network in the normal condition and use the status command to verify all connected cabinets are communicating over the network.</li></ol>
	<ol> <li>Disconnect the network data communications wiring (TB2-17/18 and 19/20) from the cabinet with the primary LCD module, and verify that a Class A/X network data communications fault is annunciated. Repeat step 2 to verify that all connected cabinets are still communicating over the network.</li> </ol>
3-IDC8/4 traditional I/O zone module for smoke control	<ol> <li>Familiarize yourself with the circuit configuration of the individual module to be tested. Remember, modules of the same type can be configured differently.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>For circuits configured as (IDCs, activate the circuit by shorting the circuit's two terminals. Verify that the appropriate message appears in the proper message queue. Disconnect the circuit or EOL resistor. Verify that a Trouble message appears in the Trouble message queue.</li> </ol>
	3. For circuits optionally configured as NACs, turn on the circuit by activating an IDC programmed to turn on the NAC, or use the activate output device command via the keypad. Verify that the circuit activates properly. Restore the circuit. Disconnect the circuit or EOL resistor. Verify that a Trouble message appears in the Trouble message queue.

Component	Test procedure
3-SSDC1 and 3-SSDC2 Signature driver modules	<ol> <li>Verify that the module is properly seated in both rail connectors and secured with the two snap rivets. Verify that removable terminal strips TB1 and TB2 are firmly seated.</li> </ol>
	2. Verify the wiring to all Signature devices.
	<ol> <li>Map the signaling line circuit by reading the device data; adjusting, modifying, and accepting devices as required; writing the information back to the devices; and re-reading the device data.</li> </ol>
	4. With no map errors displayed, put an input device on the circuit in the active mode, and verify the appropriate message is displayed on the LCD module and graphic annunciator, where installed. Put the input device in the Trouble mode and verify that the correct Trouble message is displayed.
	Note: Individual device testing is detailed in other tables.
LED displays, EST3 SCS and Envoy FSCS series annunciator	Verify that the displays are properly seated in the module or graphic panel. Verify that the ribbon cable between the display and its host module is firmly seated on both ends.
	For the FSCS perform a lamp test by pressing the Alarm Silence and Panel Silence buttons simultaneously.
	For the FSCS series annunciator there is a momentary pushbutton switch on the panel.
Control-display modules, EST3 SCS and Envoy FSCS series annunciator	<ol> <li>Verify that the displays are properly seated in the module or graphic panel. Verify that the ribbon cable between the display and its host module is firmly seated on both ends.</li> </ol>
	<ol><li>Perform a lamp test by pressing the Alarm Silence and Panel Silence buttons simultaneously. For the graphic annunciator panel there is a Lamp Test switch on the panel.</li></ol>
	3. Perform a functional button test.

# EST3 SCS detection acceptance testing

The procedures listed in Table 41, Table 43, and Table 45 should be performed on the detectors, input modules, output modules, and related accessories connected to each cabinet. Additional procedures for manual initiating devices may be found in Table 44. These procedures are presented to test the devices and smoke control system programming.

**Note:** The network configuration, Signature control module information must be downloaded into the network and ASU, using the 3-SDU, before starting testing.

Every detector connected to the smoke control system should be visited, and manually activated during the installation process to verify that:

- 1. The location meets design parameters for spacing and air flow.
- 2. The location annunciated by the smoke control system agrees with the physical location of the device.
- 3. That the activated device initiates the correct smoke control system response.

Table 41: Initial acceptance testing for detectors

#### Component Test procedure Signature Series detectors and 1. Verify that all components are installed in a workman like manner. bases on a 3-SSDCx module circuit Individually activate each detector. Verify that the appropriate Alarm and location message is displayed on the LCD module. Verify that the detector initiates the appropriate system responses. If the detector is installed in a relay base, verify that the base's relay function operates correctly. If the detector is installed in an isolator base, verify that the base isolates the required circuit segments. 3. Duct mounted detectors should be tested to verify that minimum/maximum airflow requirements are met and that smoke control actions or overrides are functioning. 4. Remove the detector from its base. Verify that the appropriate Trouble and location message is displayed on the LCD module. 5. After all detectors have been individually inspected, run a Sensitivity report, using the Reports command. Traditional two-wire smoke 1. Verify that all components are installed in a workman like manner. detectors connected to 3-IDC8/4 2. Individually activate each detector. Verify that the appropriate Alarm modules and location message is displayed on the LCD module. Verify the detector circuit initiates the appropriate system responses. 3. Duct mounted detectors should be tested to verify that minimum/maximum airflow requirements are met and that smoke control actions or overrides are functioning. 4. Remove the detector from its base. Verify that the appropriate circuit Trouble and location message is displayed on the LCD module.

Table 42: Initial acceptance testing for detectors

Component		Test procedure		
Conventional two-wire smoke	1	Verify that all components are installed in a workman-like manner.		
detectors connected to SIGA-UM (UM) modules	2	Verify that jumper JP1 on each UM module is set to position 1/2.		
(em) modules	3	Individually activate each detector. Verify that the appropriate Alarm and location message is displayed on the LCD module. Verify the UM initiates the appropriate system responses.		
	4	Duct mounted detectors should be tested to verify that minimum/maximum airflow requirements are met and that smoke control actions or overrides are functioning.		
	5	Remove the detector from its base. Verify that the appropriate UM Trouble and location message is displayed on the LCD module.		
Beam detectors  Test the detector at the receiver.  Use test cards and obscuration filters		st the detector at the receiver.		
		Use test cards and obscuration filters supplied with the unit's installation kit.		
		llowing installation instructions for testing for total obscuration and then e filters to verify sensitivity.		

# Smoke control input modules

Every input module connected to the smoke control system should be visited, and manually activated during the installation process to verify that:

- 1. The installed location of the initiating device connected to the module meets proper engineering practices.
- 2. The location annunciated by the system agrees with the physical location and function of the initiating device.
- 3. The initiating device/module activates the correct smoke control system response.

Table 43: Initial acceptance testing for input modules

Component	Test procedure		
Signature Series input modules		Verify that all components are installed in a workman-like manner.	
	2	Individually activate each initiation device. Verify that the appropriate circuit type and location message is displayed on the LCD and graphic display. Verify that the circuit initiates the appropriate system responses.	
	3	Open the circuit. Verify that the appropriate circuit Trouble and location message is displayed on the LCD module.	

Table 44: Initial acceptance testing for manual stations

Component	Te	Test procedure		
Manual stations ( for stairwell	1.	Visual inspection.		
pressurization only)	2.	Activate mechanism.		
	3.	Verify that the appropriate circuit type and location message is displayed on the LCD module. The graphic panel, tailored to each installation may use only a single alarm LED to indicate multiple device conditions. Verify the device initiates the appropriate smoke control system zone and design response.		
	4.	Open the circuit. Verify that the appropriate Trouble and location message is displayed on the LCD.		

# Smoke control output modules

Every output module connected to the system should be visited, and manually activated during the installation process to verify that:

- 1. The installed location of the controlled device meets proper engineering practices.
- 2. The location of the controlled device annunciated by the system agrees with the physical location of the device.
- 3. The device is activated by the correct system inputs.

Table 45: Initial acceptance testing for output modules

Component	Test procedure
Signature series output modules	Verify that all components are installed in a workman like manner.
	Using the Activate Output command, individually activate each output. Verify that the device responds appropriately and the LED and graphic annunciator LED's light.
	For supervised output circuits, open up the circuit. Verify that the appropriate circuit Trouble and location message is displayed on the LCD module.
	If the output is activated by one or more system inputs, activate these inputs and verify the output priority function operates appropriately.
	Confirm sequential operation for output modules connected to fans, dampers, and doors.

Table 46: Weekly testing of dedicated systems

Component	Test procedure
Dedicated smoke control systems	Programming for the SCS must include a weekly test of dedicated systems and their components.
	Results of automatic testing should verify that all components operate in the programmed sequence.
	The program, at the designated time, must automatically activate the output command for each of the system inputs, verifying were necessary that dampers ( and other compartmenting components ) have opened or closed and fans have started or stopped.
	A record of the automatic test sequences and results must be maintained at the location of the EST3 SCS.

# **Dedicated systems**

# Zoned smoke control and atrium systems

Verify the exact location of each smoke control zone and the door or other openings in the perimeter of each zone. If the building plans do not specifically identify them, the smoke control system may have to be activated in zones so that any magnetically held doors will close and identify smoke zone boundaries.

For the building components verification, the component designer should measure and record the pressure difference across all smoke control zones that divide a floor. The measurements should be made while the HVAC systems serving the floor's smoke zones are operating in their normal (i.e. non-smoke control) mode. The measurements should be made while all smoke barrier doors that divide a floor into zones are closed. A measurement should be made across each smoke barrier door or set of doors, and the resulting data should clearly indicate the higher and lower pressure sides of the doors.

Using smoke control input devices, verify the proper activation of each zoned smoke control system in response to all means of activation, both automatic and manual, as specified in the contract documents. Where automatic activation is required in response to alarm signals received from the building's smoke control system, each separate alarm signal should be initiated to ensure that proper automatic activation of the correctly zoned smoke control system occurs. Automatic weekly testing of dedicated systems should be cycled to verify all components operate as installed and programmed and that the test time is agreeable to the building owners. Verify confirming indications, documenting the proper operation of all fans, dampers, and related equipment for each separate smoke control system zone.

Activate the zoned smoke control systems that is appropriate for each separate smoke control zone. Measure and record the pressure difference across all smoke barrier doors that separate the smoke zone from adjacent zones. The measurements should be made while all smoke barrier doors that separate the smoke zone from the other zones are fully closed. One measurement should be made across each smoke barrier door or set of doors, and the data should clearly indicate the higher and lower pressure sides of the doors. Doors that have a tendency to open slightly due to the pressure difference should have one pressure measurement made while held closed and another made when unrestrained.

Continue to activate each separate smoke control zone and making pressure difference measurements. Ensure that after testing a smoke zone it is properly deactivated and the HVAC systems involved return to their normal operating mode prior to activating another zone's smoke control system according to system programming. Also ensure that control verifying damper and fan operation necessary to prevent excessive pressure differences are functioning to prevent damage to ducts and related building equipment. Component testing should have previously verified operation of fans, dampers, doors, and other smoke control equipment.

# Stair tower pressurization systems

The building system designer, with all building HVAC systems in normal operation, measure and record the pressure difference across each stair tower door while the door is closed. After recording the pressure difference across the door, measure the force necessary to open each door, using a spring-type scale. The building system designer should establish a consistent procedure for recording data throughout the entire test. The stair tower side of the doors will always be considered as the reference point and the floor side of the doors will always have the pressure difference value (positive if higher than the stair tower and negative when less than the stair tower). Since the stair tower pressurization system is intended to produce a positive pressure within the stair tower, all negative pressure values recorded on the floor side of the doors indicate a potential airflow into the floor.

The EST3 system designer, working with the building system designer, should verify the proper activation of the stair tower pressurization systems in response to all means of activation, both automatic and manual, as specified in the contract documents. Where automatic activation is required in response to alarm signals received from the building's smoke control system, each separate alarm signal should be initiated to ensure that proper automatic activation occurs. Automatic weekly testing of dedicated systems should be cycled to verify all components operate as installed and programmed and that the test time is agreeable to the building owners. Verify confirming indications, documenting the proper operation of all fans, dampers, and related equipment for each separate smoke control system zone.

With the stair tower pressurization system activated, the building system designer should measure and record the pressure difference at points similar to those evaluated in zoned smoke control and atrium systems.

After recording the pressure difference across each closed door, measure the force necessary to open each door. Use the established procedure to record data throughout the test. The local code and contract documents should be followed regarding the door to be opened for this test.

With the stair tower pressurization system activated, open the doors required by the system design, one at a time, and measure and record the pressure difference across each remaining closed stair tower doors after the opening of each additional door. After recording the pressure difference across each closed door, measure the force necessary to open each door. Use the established procedure to record data throughout the test. The local code and contract document requirements should be followed regarding the number and location of doors that need to be opened for this test.

With the stair tower system activated, and all required doors open, determine and record the direction of airflow through each of the open doors. This can be done by using a small amount of smoke at the open doorway. If velocity measurements are required, a door opening traverse needs to be performed with the door fully open.

Stairwell pressurization systems typically have a smoke detector at the stair intake to stop fans should smoke begin to enter from the outside. There must be a manual override on the system to keep fans operating should a qualified emergency person determine that the smoke infiltration is minor. Testing of the override feature should be in the acceptance procedure.

# **Elevator shaft pressurization systems**

Shaft systems may incorporate exhausting of air from the fire floor, pressurization of elevator lobbies, pressurization of the elevator hoistway or by construction of smoke tight elevator lobbies with pressurization. The type or combination of designs will dictate system operation and testing. Elevator recall and the use of elevators while the shaft or lobby is pressurized will be an integral part of the test procedure developed.

The piston effect due to car movement on elevator shaft pressurization has been researched and is discussed in several of the texts referenced in Chapter 1. There are no recommended tests to determine how shaft pressurization might be impacted with car movement. Elevator door testing currently assumes a median value for pressures developed against a door independent of car movement. No dynamic testing of the shaft pressurization system with car movement is therefore dictated.

The building system designer must define smoke control sequences for design and testing and measure and record pressure differences in a manner similar to those described for stairwells.

Using smoke control input devices, verify the proper activation of the shaft pressurization system in response to all means of activation, both automatic and manual, as specified in the contract documents. Where automatic activation is required in response to alarm signals received from the building smoke control system, each separate alarm signal should be initiated to ensure that proper automatic activation occurs.

With the elevator shaft pressurization system activated, measure and record the pressure difference across each shaft or lobby door with all doors closed.

If an elevator door is held open due to recall, measure and record the pressure difference across each remaining closed door. Use an established procedure to record data throughout the entire test. The local code and contract documents should be followed regarding the elevator recall door to be opened or closed for this test.

With the elevator shaft system activated, determine and record the direction of airflow through each of the shaft or elevator lobby doors. This can be done by using a small amount of smoke at the doors.

# **Additional considerations**

#### Other test methods

The test methods presented in this chapter provide an adequate means to evaluate a smoke management system's performance. Historically, other test methods have been used in instances where the authority having jurisdiction requires additional testing. These test methods have limited value in evaluating certain system performance, and their validity as a method of testing a smoke management system is questionable.

As covered in the Chapter 1, "Building fire geometry and smoke movement" on page 1, the dynamics of the fire plume, buoyancy forces, and stratification are all major critical elements in the design of the smoke management system. Therefore, to test the system properly, a real fire condition would be the most appropriate and meaningful test. There are many valid reasons why such a fire is usually not practical in a completed building. Open flame or actual fire testing might be dangerous and should not normally be attempted. Any other test is a compromise. If a

test of the smoke control system for building acceptance is mandated by the authority having jurisdiction, such a test condition would become the basis of design and might not in any way simulate any real fire condition. More importantly, it could be a deception and provide a false sense of security that the smoke control system would perform adequately in a real fire emergency.

Smoke bomb tests do NOT provide the heat, buoyancy, and entrainment of a real fire and are NOT useful in evaluating the real performance of the system. A system designed in accordance with this manual and capable of providing the intended smoke control might not pass smoke bomb tests. Conversely, it is possible for a system that is incapable of providing the intended smoke control to pass smoke bomb tests. Because of the impracticality of conducting real fire tests, the acceptance tests described in this manual are directed to those aspects of smoke management systems that can be verified and are consistent with current research and testing in the fire protection field.

Examples of other test methods that have been used with limited effectiveness are chemical smoke tests, tracer gas tests, and real fire tests.

#### EST3 SCS owner's manual and instructions

Information should be provided to the owner that defines the operation and maintenance of the smoke control system. Basic instruction on the operation of the smoke control system should be provided to the owner's representatives. Since the owner may assume beneficial use of the smoke control system upon completion of acceptance testing, this basic instruction should be completed prior to acceptance testing and the owner's representative who will have a maintenance responsibility should also be present.

# Partial occupancy

Acceptance testing should be performed as a single step when obtaining a certificate of occupancy. However, if the building is to be completed or occupied in stages, multiple acceptance tests may have to be conducted in order to obtain temporary certificates of occupancy.

### **Modifications**

All operational and acceptance tests should be performed on the applicable part of the system upon system changes and modifications. Documentation should be updated to reflect changes or modifications.

# **Periodic testing**

During the life of the building, maintenance is essential to ensure that the smoke control system will perform its intended function under fire conditions. Proper maintenance of the system should, as a minimum, include the periodic testing of all smoke control equipment including EST3 SCS controls, initiating devices, fans, dampers, controls, doors, and windows. The equipment should be maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Refer to NFPA 90A, *Standard for the Installation of Air Conditioning and Ventilating Systems*, for suggested maintenance practices for non-dedicated HVAC and damper requirements. NFPA 92 and NFPA 72 should be consulted for smoke control panel testing.

These tests should be performed on a periodic basis to determine that the installed system continues to operate in accordance with the approved design.

The smoke control system should be tested in accordance with the following schedule by persons who are thoroughly knowledgeable in the operation, testing, and maintenance of the systems. The results of the tests should be documented in the operations and maintenance log and made available for inspection.

#### **Dedicated systems**

**Weekly:** Automatic testing every seven days of dedicated systems will cycle all components. Automatic tests must be recorded, with failure of any monitored components noted.

**Semiannually:** Operate the smoke control system for each control sequence in the original design and observe the operation of the correct outputs for each given input. Tests should be conducted under standby power, if applicable.

#### **Non-dedicated Systems**

**Annually:** Operate the smoke control system for each control sequence in the approved configuration and observe the operation of the correct output for each given input. Tests should be conducted under standby power, if applicable.

Special arrangements might have to be made for the introduction of large quantities of outside air into occupied areas or computer centers when outside temperature and humidity conditions are extreme. Since smoke control systems override limit controls, such as freeze stats, tests should be conducted when outside air conditions will not cause damage to equipment and systems.

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# Glossary

Automatic control	A system operating in this mode will initiate smoke control measures without personnel intervention due to a fire detection system actuation.
Atrium	A large-volume space created by a floor opening or series of floor openings connecting two or more stories that is covered at the top of the series of openings and is used for purposes other than an enclosed stairway, elevator hoistway, escalator opening, or utility shaft used for plumbing, electrical, air-conditioning, or communications facilities.
Buoyancy	The ability or tendency of smoke to rise in air.
Communicating space	Spaces within a building that have an open pathway to a large-volume space such that smoke from a fire in the communicating space can move unimpeded into the large-volume space. Communicating spaces can open directly into the large-volume space or can connect through open passageways.
Compensated system	A smoke control system where the air injected into a stairwell is modulated or excess pressure is vented depending upon the number of doors opened or closed in the stairwell. This keeps the pressure barrier relatively constant.
Covered mall	A large-volume space created by a roofed-over common pedestrian area in a building enclosing a number of tenants and occupancies. Covered malls may include retail stores, drinking establishments, entertainment and amusement facilities, offices, or other similar uses where tenant spaces open onto or directly communicate with the pedestrian area.
Dedicated system	A smoke control system designed for the sole purpose of controlling smoke within a building. Equipment is not linked to the building HVAC system. This is accomplished by installing a system for air movement that is separate and distinct from the building's HVAC system and only operates to control smoke.
Firefighter's smoke control station (FSCS)	Firefighter's smoke control station (FSCS) includes monitoring and over- riding capability over smoke control systems and equipment provided at designated locations within the building for the use of the fire department. Other firefighter's systems not required for smoke control (voice alarm, public address, fire department communication, and elevator control and status) may be at the same location.
Large-volume space	A space, generally two or more stories in height, within which smoke from a fire either in the space or in a communicating space can move or accumulate without restriction. Atriums and covered malls are examples of large-volume spaces.
Manual control	A smoke control system operates in this state when controls for the station are changed manually to override automatic control functions.

Non-compensated system	A smoke control system in which a single speed fan provides pressurization in a stairwell. Pressure will vary depending upon the number of doors opened in the stairwell.
Non-dedicated system	A smoke control system that shares components with other air moving equipment. When the smoke control mode is activated, the operating of the building's air moving equipment changes in order to accomplish the objectives of the smoke control design.
Pressurized stairwell	A type of smoke control system in which stair shafts are mechanically pressurized with outdoor air to keep smoke from contaminating them during a fire event.
Separated spaces	Spaces within a building that are isolated from large-volume spaces by smoke barriers that do not rely on airflow to restrict the movement of smoke.
Smoke	The airborne solid and liquid particulates and gases evolved when a material undergoes pyrolysis or combustion, together with the quantity of air that is entrained or otherwise mixed into the mass.
Smoke barrier	A membrane, either vertical or horizontal, such as a wall, floor, or ceiling assembly, that is designed and constructed to restrict the movement of smoke. A smoke barrier might or might not have a fire resistance rating.
Smoke control mode	A predefined operational configuration of a system, zone, or device for the purpose of smoke control.
Smoke control system(SCS)	An engineered system that uses mechanical fans to produce airflow and pressure differences across smoke barriers to limit and direct smoke movement.
Smoke damper	A UL listed device designed to resist the passage of air or smoke. Smoke dampers are installed in ducts or smoke barriers separating floor or smoke zones. A fire barrier constructed to limit smoke may also serve as a smoke barrier and may use a combination fire and smoke damper that is also UL listed. Systems serving more than one floor with a capacity greater than 15,000 cfm are required by NFPA 90A to have smoke dampers installed to isolate the air handling equipment, including filters, to restrict the circulation of smoke.
Smoke exhaust system	A mechanical or gravity system intended to move smoke from a smoke zone to the exterior of a building, including smoke removal, purging, and venting systems, as well as the function of exhaust fans utilized to reduce the pressure in a smoke zone.
Smoke management system	An engineered system that includes all methods that can be used singly or in combination to modify smoke movement in a building.
Smoke proof enclosure	A continuous stairway which is enclosed from top to bottom by a 2-hour firewall and exits to the exterior of a building. Entry into the stairway must be through vestibules or outside balconies on each floor. The design must limit smoke entry and include ventilation which is natural or mechanical.
Smoke zone	The smoke control zone in which the fire is located.
Stack effect	The vertical airflow within buildings caused by the temperature-created density differences between the building interior and exterior or between two interior spaces.

Tenable environment	An environment in which smoke and heat is limited or otherwise restricted in order to maintain the impact on occupants to a level that is not life threatening. In a zoned smoke control system, pressure differences are used to maintain a tenable environment in an area intended to protect building occupants while evacuation is taking place.
Zoned smoke control	A smoke control system that includes smoke exhaust for the smoke zone and pressurization for all contiguous smoke control zones. The remaining smoke control zones in the building also may be pressurized.

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