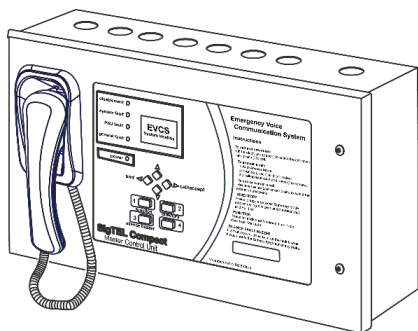
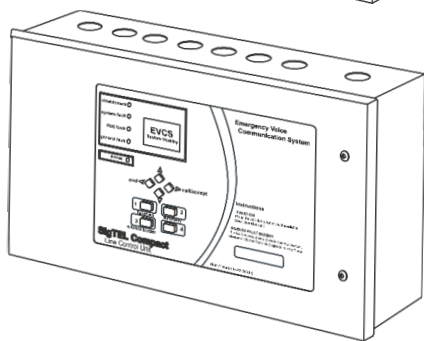


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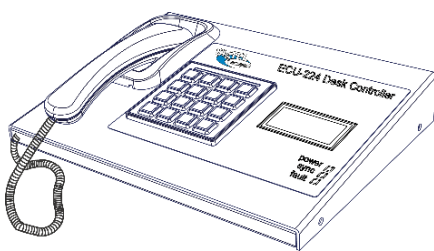
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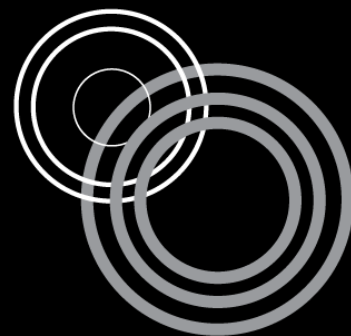


Wall Control Unit  
(no handset)



Desk Control Unit  
(with handset)

## Installation and Configuration Manual



AN EXPLANATION OF TERMS AND DEFINITIONS USED IN THESE INSTRUCTIONS IS LISTED IN SECTION 22.

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## 1 Important Notes

### READ THIS SECTION BEFORE INSTALLING/MAINTAINING THIS PRODUCT



#### CAUTION

This equipment must only be installed and maintained by a suitably skilled and technically competent person. No responsibility can be accepted by the manufacturer, or distributors of this product for any misinterpretation of an instruction, guidance note, or the compliance of the system as a whole.

#### About this guide

This guide explains how to install, commission, and maintain a SigTEL EVCS disabled refuge and fire telephone system. A separate user manual (ref. DAU0000092) includes detailed operational information, some of which will need to be referred to by the installation engineer when setting up the system. **This installation guide must not be accessible to the user.**

#### System design

EVCS design is beyond the scope of this document. An understanding of system components and their use is assumed.

We recommend that you read the latest edition of BS 5839 Part 9 (available from the BSI, <http://www.bsigroup.com>, for this information. Contact the building control or fire officer in case he has any special requirements.

#### Equipment guarantee

This equipment is not guaranteed unless the system is installed and commissioned in accordance with national standards by an approved and competent person, or organisation.

#### General precautions

DO NOT test wiring with an insulation resistance tester (Megger) with any electronic equipment connected as the 500 volt test will destroy these devices which will not be covered by the factory warranty.

Do not run SELV and LV cables in the same enclosure without adequate insulation between them.

SigTEL EVCS control equipment is designed to be installed indoors. Outstations are not IP rated so should not be installed outdoors unless an IP65, or better housing, is used and cables are installed to prevent the ingress of moisture.

#### Anti-static handling guidelines



Make sure that electro-static handling precautions are taken immediately before handling PCBs and other static-sensitive components. Before handling any static-sensitive items, operators should eliminate any electrostatic charge by touching a sound safety earth.

Always handle PCBs by their sides and avoid touching any components. PCBs should be stored in a clean, dry place that is free from vibration, dust and excessive heat. Storing the PCBs in a suitable cardboard box will also guard them against mechanical damage.

## 2 Regulations Affecting EVCS

Disabled refuge systems are called for by The Building Regulations, Approved Document B (fire safety) volume 2, section 3, Design for vertical escape and BS 5588 Fire precautions in the design, construction and use of buildings, Part 8, Code of practice for means of escape for disabled people.

Fire telephone systems for buildings are called for by BS 5588 Fire precautions in the design, construction, and use of buildings Part 5, Access and facilities for fire-fighting, Part 10, Code of practice for shopping complexes and Part 11, Code of practice for shops, offices, industrial, storage, and other similar buildings.

Fire telephone systems for sports venues are called for by the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds 'Green Guide'.

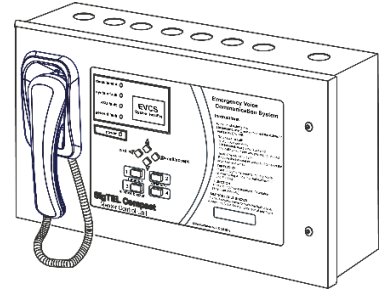
The installation of EVCS is covered by BS 5839-9 Fire detection and fire alarm systems for buildings – Part 9: Code of practice for the design, installation, commissioning, and maintenance of emergency voice communication systems.

### 3 SigTEL Compact Components

**Note:** See Specification (section 19) for component details.

#### 3.1 MCU wall unit (part nos. ECU-4, ECU-8, ECU-16)

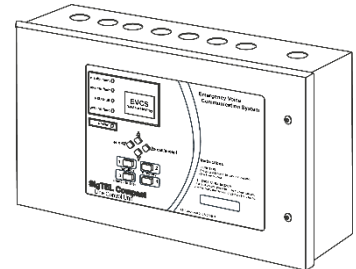
The master control unit (MCU) controls the EVCS and allows the operator to communicate with the outstations. It has a handset, keypad and a display. Each MCU is wall mounted and has either four extensions (ECU-4), eight extensions (ECU-8), or 16 extensions (ECU-16). One extension typically has one outstation (Type A or B) or a disabled persons toilet alarm (DPTA) interface connected. A flush bezel (EVC385) and an anti-tamper enclosure (BF359/3M) are available to house the unit.



**Note:** Up to 14 MCU and LCU wall units can be connected to a network by installing a Network Comms Card in each unit.

#### 3.2 LCU wall unit (part no. ECU-8NT)

The line control unit (LCU) is identical to an MCU but does not have a handset mounted on its front. Each LCU has eight extensions.



#### 3.3 Grey flush bezel (part no. EVC385)

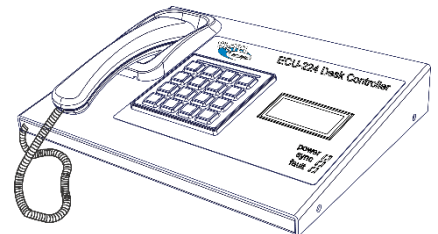
This flush mounting bezel is used with the MCU/LCU and provides a neat finish when an enclosure is semi-recessed (up to 60 mm).

#### 3.4 Desk control unit (part no. ECU-224)

This 224 line unit is used during normal operation of the system to communicate with up to 224 Type B and Type B outstations. It has a handset, keypad and a display.

**Note:** The ECU-224 unit connects to a Network Communications Card (ECU723) fitted inside an MCU wall unit, i.e. one ECU-224 per ECU723 per MCU. Therefore, a maximum of 14 ECU-224's can be installed on a network.

The ECU-224 is intended to be free-standing. However, a sloping wall mounting shelf (ECUWMB) is available.



#### 3.5 Type A fire telephone outstation (part nos. EVC302RPO, EVC302RLK)

One Type A outstation is connected to one extension so the control room can call out to strategic site locations and know which outstation is calling in.

The full-duplex outstation consists of a telephone-style handset housed within a wall-mounted, red steel case with a plastic door. Two versions are available, a 'pull-to-open' version (EVC302RPO) shown right, and a 'lift key lockable' version (EVC302RLK) which prevents unauthorised access.

Both units can be surface mounted or flush mounted using a bezel (T-BEZ302).



#### 3.6 Flush-mounting bezel (part no. T-BEZ302)

This red flush bezel provides a neat finish when a Type A fire telephone is semi-recessed.

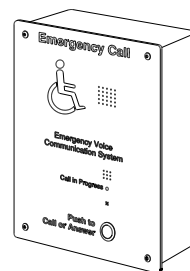
### 3.7 Type B disabled refuge outstation - surface mounted (part no. EVC302S/GS)

One Type B outstation is connected to one extension so that the control room can call out to specific locations and know which location is calling in. The EVC302S has a stainless steel fascia and the EVC302GS has a green mild steel fascia. Both units use hands-free, half-duplex operation and have a 'Push to Call or Answer' button, Call in Progress LED, buzzer and apertures for a microphone and loudspeaker.



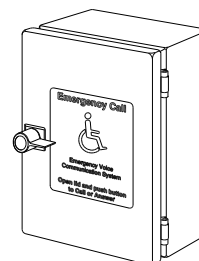
### 3.8 Type B disabled refuge outstation - flush mounted (part no. EVC302F/GF)

Identical to the EVC302S/GS version but with a flat fascia suitable for flush installation. The EVC302F has a stainless steel fascia and the EVC302GF has a green mild steel fascia. An IP66 rated housing (BF359/1) is available.



### 3.9 Type B outstation IP66 enclosure (part no. BF359/1)

This enclosure is used to protect an EVC302F/GF Type B outstation. The BF359/1 must be fitted indoors only. It is supplied with a non-locking handle (as disabled refuge points should not normally be locked) and has an IP66 rating if it is correctly installed.



### 3.10 Enclosures (part no. BF359/3M, BF359/3S)

The BF359/3M is a stainless steel, anti-tamper enclosure used to house an MCU wall unit. The unit is supplied with two optional locking kits: BF359/3CL (camlock kit) or BF359/3SL (solenoid kit).

The BF359/3S is a shallower variant and is used to house an LCU wall unit.



### 3.11 Disabled persons toilet alarm kit (part no. NC951)

The EVCS can interface with a disabled persons toilet alarm (DPTA) system. This is a secondary function to the primary purpose of the EVCS. If the site has toilet alarms AND they are connected to the EVCS, then active toilet alarms will be displayed at the wall and desk units. As toilet alarm monitoring is a secondary function, any activated toilet alarms will be suppressed from being displayed if there are any calls from/to any outstations. At the end of outstation calls the activated toilet alarms will then be displayed.



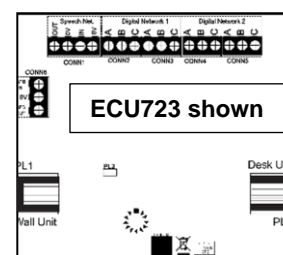
### 3.12 Network comms card (part no. ECU722/ECU723)

The ECU722 Network Comms Card enables up to 14 MCUs or LCU wall units to be connected to a network.

The ECU723 Network Comms Card enables up to 14 MCUs or LCUs, plus up to 14 ECU-224 desk control units, to be connected to a network.

**Note:** If an ECU-224 is fitted with no network, then an ECU723 is still required. See section 5.4 for further details.

The ECU722 and ECU723 cards are fitted inside the MCU/LCU and transmit both speech audio and digital data.



### 3.12.1 Key features of the EVCS networked system:

1. Allows the interconnection of up to 14 wall control units and 14 desk control units using 4 x 2-core, 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup>, enhanced fire-rated wiring.
2. Maximum length on the speech wiring loop or digital linear wiring = 1 km.
3. Wall and desk control units monitor both the network wiring and each other for faults (open and short circuits).
4. Fault-tolerant network that allows the system to continue working in the event of a single cable break in the speech or digital wiring.
5. Each networked unit can be programmed with the following configuration:
  - One MCU wall unit is configured as the 'master' and has control over the system. The other control units (MCU/LCU/ECU-224) act as repeaters but can take control from the current master when a security PIN code is entered, either at the master or a repeater. PIN code entry is not required in 'first come, first served mode' (see section 18.7).
  - The master unit displays the location of calls and the description of faults on the EVCS. Faults on repeater units are displayed at the master unit as remote faults.
  - Calls from any outstation, regardless of which wall unit they are connected to, are automatically routed to the master unit. Repeater units indicate that outstations are calling the master unit and can take control of the system by picking up their handsets and entering a security PIN code.
  - When no outstations are calling in, the ability to take control from the master unit at any repeater unit (by entering a security PIN code). For example, the nearest unit to the building entry point. Also, able to give control from the master unit to any repeater unit (by entering a security PIN code).
  - Changes made at the master unit (e.g. security PIN codes, extension names, addition/removal of an outstation) are automatically updated on all repeater units.
  - The master unit is automatically dialled to by repeater units when their handsets are picked up (when no outstations are calling in).

## 4 Cables

Generally, cables used between EVCS components and for the low voltage mains supply to the system should be enhanced fire-resistant [see 26.2e of BS 5839-1]. Please note the following exceptions.

BS 5839-9: section 14, the following recommendations are applicable:

c) Standard fire-resisting cables [see 26.2d of BS 5839-1] should be considered to provide sufficient resistance to the effects of fire with appropriate methods of support and jointing [see 26.2g of BS 5839-1] for:

- 1) EVC systems for use in disabled refuges but not for fire-fighting or similar purposes by, e.g. the fire and rescue service, in:
  - i) sprinklered buildings;
  - ii) unsprinklered buildings less than 30 m in height, provided that evacuation takes place in three or fewer phases.
- 2) Underground sections of cabling at sports and similar venues.

Interconnection	Cable Type
Extensions to outstations	2-core, 1.0 mm <sup>2</sup> or 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable is recommended for each extension. Larger cables will stress the connectors. The maximum cable resistance is 40 ohms, which is 1 km of 1.0 mm <sup>2</sup> . If this is exceeded audio quality will degrade.
Extensions to DPTA systems (NC951)	2-core cable is required for each extension.
Power supplies	The MCU/LCU wall unit requires fixed wiring using 3-core enhanced fire-rated cable (no less than 0.75 mm <sup>2</sup> and no more than 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> ) fed from an isolating switched fused spur, fused at 3 amps. A plug and socket MUST NOT be used.
Networked systems Either MCU to MCU, or MCU to LCU	4 x 2-core, 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable, up to 1 km in length. This cable connects ECU722/ECU723 network comms cards mounted inside the MCU/LCU wall unit. <b>Note:</b> To provide full network reliability only 2-core cables should be used. This allows two separate cable paths to be run with each path containing a single speech and data cable (which should not be mixed in the same cable).
Networked systems MCU/LCU to ECU722/ECU723	Connects the MCU/LCU wall unit to the ECU722/ECU723 Network Comms Card using one CAT5 cable (supplied with ECU722/ECU723).
MCU to ECU-224	Two, 4-core 1.0 mm <sup>2</sup> or 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable up to 200 metres in length. The ECU-224's supplied 5 metre CAT5 lead should connect to an adjacent CAT5 socket with mechanical protection in accordance with BS 5839-1.

## 5 Typical Systems

### 5.1 System up to 4 or 8 extensions

#### Equipment required

One MCU wall unit (ECU-4) for 4 extensions, or one MCU wall unit (ECU-8) for 8 extensions (shown right), each MCU requires two 12 volt 7 Ah battery pack (BC286/2).

One optional Desk Control Unit (ECU-224) c/w CAT5 wall socket and back box. (requires ECU723 network card fitted in the MCU).

One 3 A fused spur and back box.

Type A Outstation (EVC302RPO/EVC302RLK), Type B Outstation (EVC302F/GF/S/GS), or DPTA (NC951) interface - one fitted per extension.

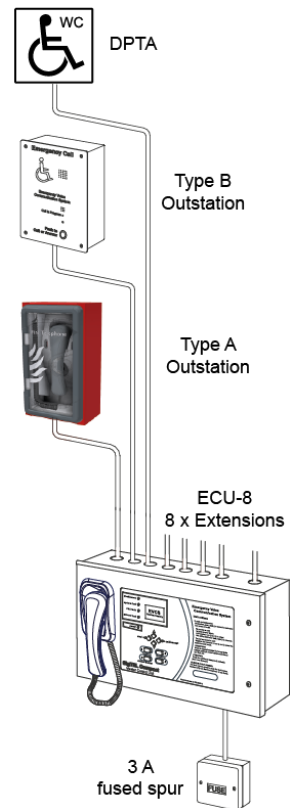
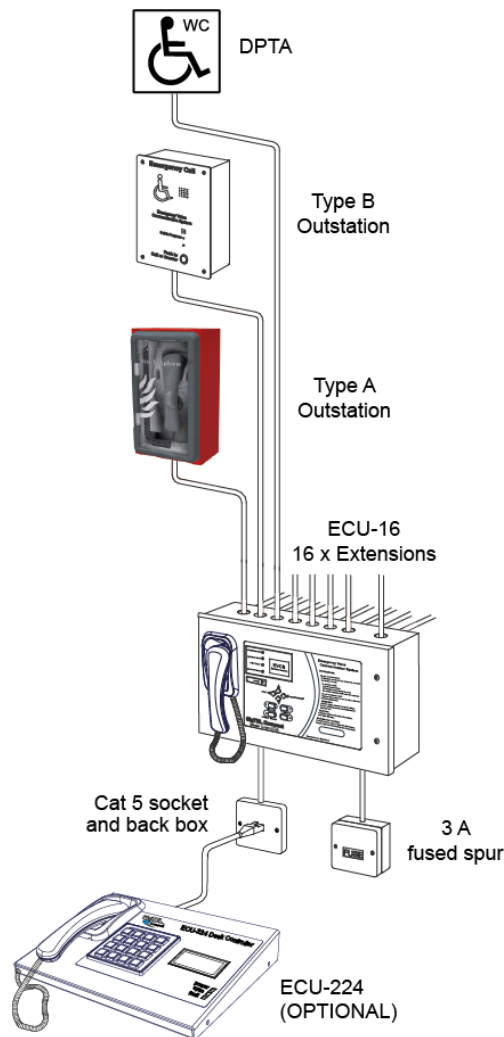
Telephone Line Tester (FiTT).

#### Interconnections

For each extension to outstation: up to 1 km of 2-core, 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable. For each extension to DPTA (NC951) interface: 2-core cable.

Between MCU and ECU-224, two 4-core 1.5mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cables up to 200 m in length.

**Note:** There is no need to connect to unused terminals. When the system is configured, an outstation will not be found and a fault will not be reported.



### 5.2 System up to 16 extensions

#### Equipment required

One MCU wall unit (ECU-16), requires two 12 volt 7 Ah battery pack (BC286/2).

One optional Desk Control Unit (ECU-224) c/w CAT5 wall socket and back box (requires ECU723 network card fitted in the MCU).

One 3 A fused spur and back box.

Type A Outstation (EVC302RPO/RLK), Type B Outstation (EVC302F/GF/S/GS), or DPTA (NC951) interface- one fitted per extension.

Telephone Line Tester (FiTT).

#### Interconnections

For each extension to outstation: up to 1 km of 2-core, 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable.

For each extension to DPTA (NC951) interface: 2-core cable.

Between MCU and ECU-224, two 4-core 1.5mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cables up to 200 m in length.



*Application Note 0012.0 (Document No. DAU0000098) details a suggested method when wiring FP200 cable to an ECU-16 panel using a junction box.*

See [www.c-tec.com](http://www.c-tec.com).

### 5.3 Networked system up to 224 extensions, i.e. the maximum number of extensions

#### Equipment required

Up to 14 MCU wall units (ECU-16), each requires two 12 volt 7 Ah battery pack (BC286/2) per MCU.

One 3 A fused spur and back box per MCU.

Up to 14 optional Desk Control Units (ECU-224) c/w CAT5 wall socket and back box (one ECU-224 fitted per MCU). Also requires one ECU723 network card fitted per MCU.

Type A Outstation, Type B Outstation, or DPTA interface (one fitted per extension).

Telephone Line Tester (FiTT).

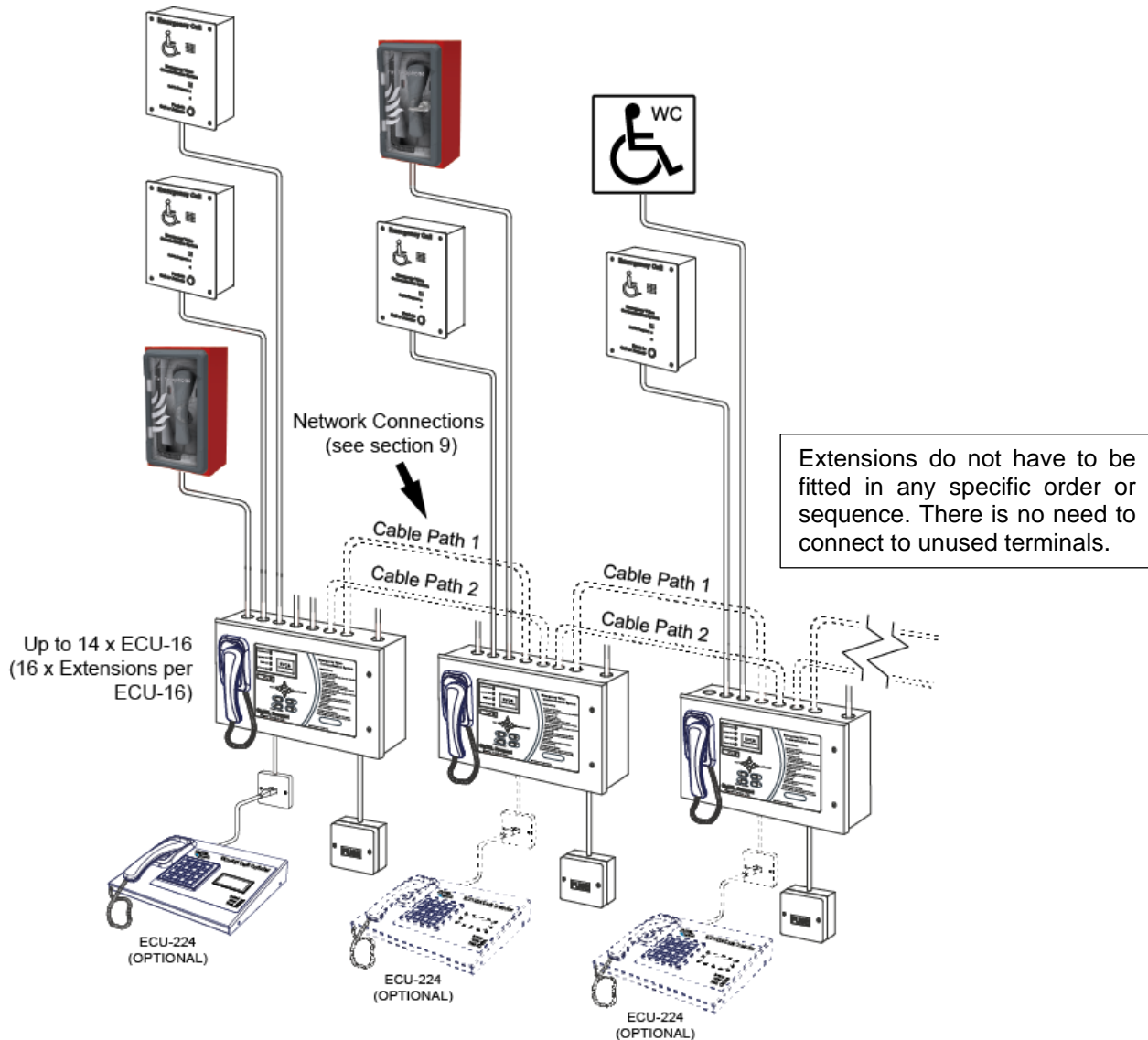
#### Interconnections

For each extension to outstation: up to 1 km of 2-core, 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable.

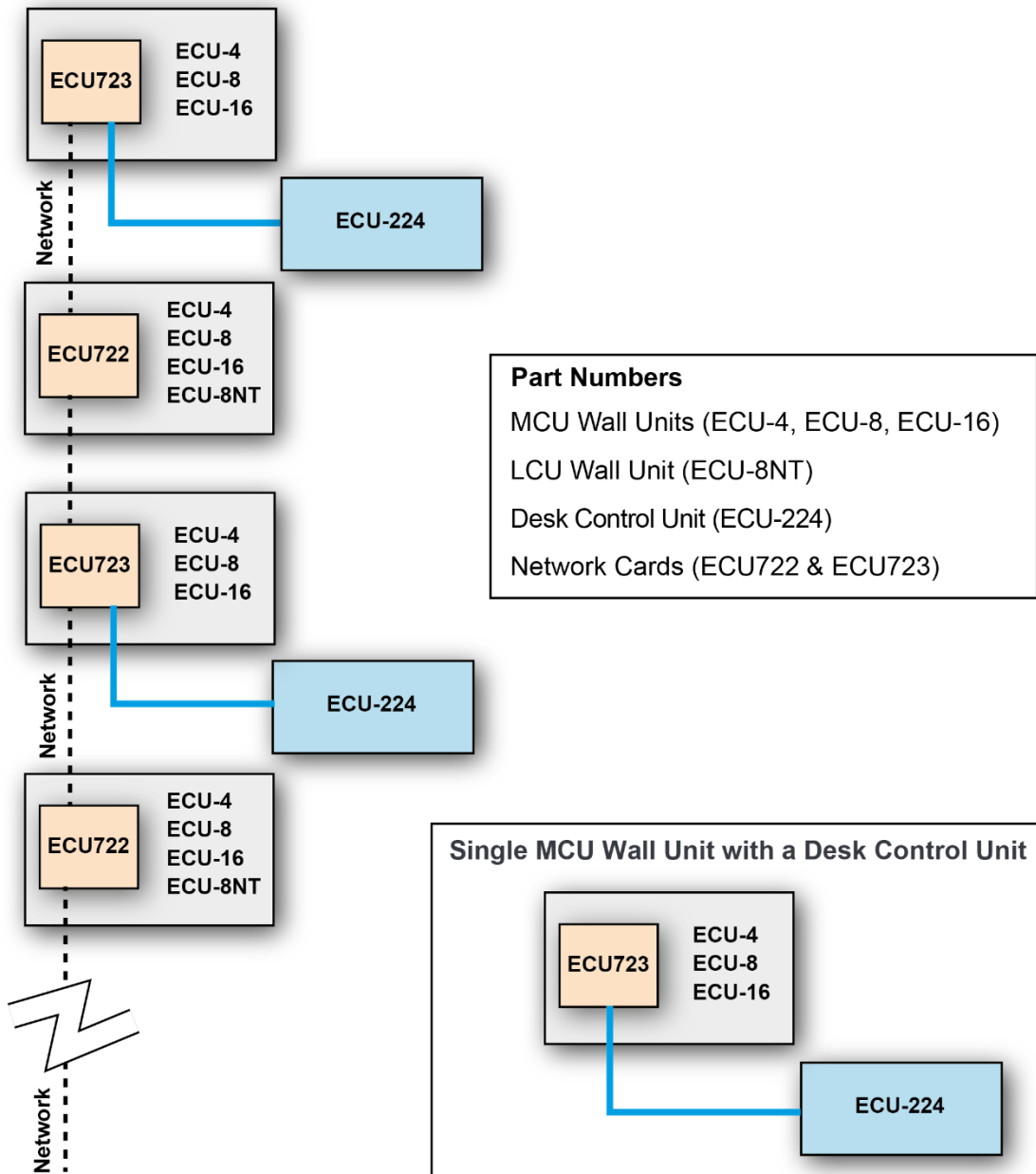
For each extension to DPTA (NC951) interface: 2-core cable.

Between MCU and ECU-224, two 4-core 1.5mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cables up to 200 m in length.

Network Connections (MCU to MCU): 4 x 2-core, 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup>, enhanced fire-rated cable. This allows two separate cable paths (Cable Paths 1 & 2) to be run with each path containing a single speech and data cable. The network wiring is fault-tolerant - see network connections (section 9).



## 5.4 Networked system block diagram



- Network connects up to 14 MCU/LCU Wall Units (c/w optional Desk Control Units).
- Network connects up to 14 Desk Control Units (which only connect to an MCU Wall Unit).
- One controller is configured as the network master, the other controllers act as repeaters.
- One Network Card (ECU722) required for each MCU/LCU Wall Unit.
- One Network Card (ECU723) required for each MCU Wall Unit with a Desk Control Unit.
- Network can have a maximum 224 extensions using up to 14 MCU/LCU Wall Units.
- Extensions can include Type A/B Outstations or DPTA.

## **6 First Fix Installation**

### **6.1 Equipment location**

#### **Control equipment**

SigTEL EVCS control units must be installed indoors, positioned to avoid accidental damage, and **MUST NOT** be subjected to dust, conductive or corrosive gases or liquids, nor subject to temperatures, input voltages and electrical loads outside the stated operating range.

As far as practical, control equipment should be located where background noise is normally low (preferably not more than 40 dBA).

The MCU/LCU must be wall mounted at an easily accessible height, at less than or equal to 2m, typically 1.4 metres above the final floor level and be located in areas of low fire risk, usually in the control room. Ideally, the indicators should be at eye level and the ambient light level should allow the status of the indicators to be clearly visible.

The ECU-224 is normally free-standing on a control console.

#### **Outstations**

Outstations are not IP rated so should not be installed outdoors unless an IP65, or better housing, is used and cables are installed to prevent the ingress of moisture. The BF359/1 IP66 enclosure may be used to protect an EVC302F/GF Type B outstation.

Type A outstations should be located at entrances and fire-fighting lobbies and normally mounted 1.3 m to 1.4 metres above the final floor level. Type B outstations be located in disabled refuges at each storey exit and normally mounted 0.9 to 1.2 metres above the final floor level.

As far as practical, outstations should be located where background noise is normally low (preferably not more than 40 dBA). Where there is a higher level of background noise, the installation of an acoustic hood around the outstation may help reduce the effect of background noise to an acceptable level.

#### **Disabled persons toilet alarm (DPTA) System**

Refer to the documentation supplied with the DPTA (Part No. NC951).

#### **Sports stadiums**

In sports stadiums, Type A outstations should be located no more than 30 metres from stewards' positions or other normally manned areas as listed in the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds 'Green Guide'. If they are exposed to the elements they should be mounted in an IP65 enclosure with an easily opened door. Steps should be taken to ensure that moisture does not enter and damage the electronics and that necessary functionality is not impaired.

#### **Strobe driver module (part no. SDM) and strobe**

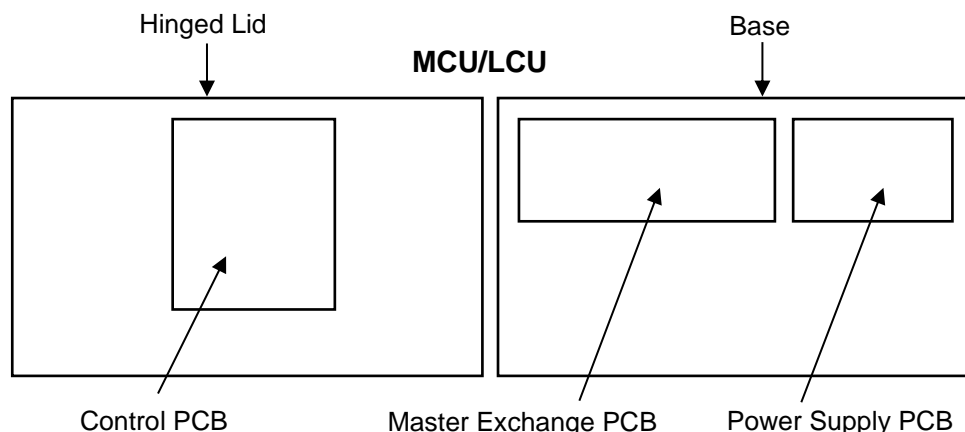
If the ringer is not loud enough a flashing strobe light or sounder may be fitted to any outstation.

A strobe driver module, part number SDM should be connected across the line to sense when the outstation rings. The driver module should be used in conjunction with an XSB or XSA strobe to provide visual indication of a ringing outstation.

An external 12 VDC EN 54 power supply must be connected to the strobe module to provide power for the module or sounder.

## 7 Mounting Wall Units

The MCU/LCU wall unit is supplied in a steel base with a lid and several printed circuit boards (PCBs), shown below.



The MCU/LCU can be surface, or semi-flush mounted. To expose the base mounting holes, the lid and PCBs must first be removed before installation. Before any of the following is carried out ensure that the mains power supply is isolated and the MCU/LCU batteries are removed.

### 7.1 Remove the base PCBs

Disconnect the cable from the Power Supply PCB to the Master Exchange PCB and the earth strap from the base to the lid. Disconnect the earth strap spade connector from the main chassis earth point.

Carefully remove the PCB retaining screw located at the bottom left-hand side of the Master Exchange and Power Supply PCBs. Push each PCB upwards and then pull forwards over the mounting pillars taking care not to damage any of the components.

### 7.2 Remove the lid

Undo the two screws on the right-hand side of the lid using the tool supplied.

Hinge the lid fully to the left. Unplug the earth strap and the two RJ45 plugs on the wiring looms. Carefully remove the four M4 retaining nuts that secure the hinges.

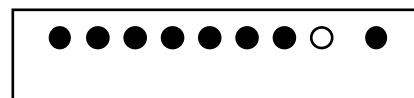
The MCU/LCU lid and base PCBs should now be removed from the site to prevent accidental damage.

**Note:** All PCBs are static sensitive and anti-static handling precautions MUST be observed when handling them.

### 7.3 Remove knockouts & cut gland holes

Mains should normally be brought into the base via a knockout in the top right-hand corner (or where convenient). Cable segregation must be maintained. If the MCU/LCU is fully populated with extensions then extra 20 mm holes may be cut in the top and rear, as required.

**Note:** This must be done before the re-installation of PCBs to avoid swarf getting into the electronics.



- Existing top knockouts
- Extra 20 mm hole



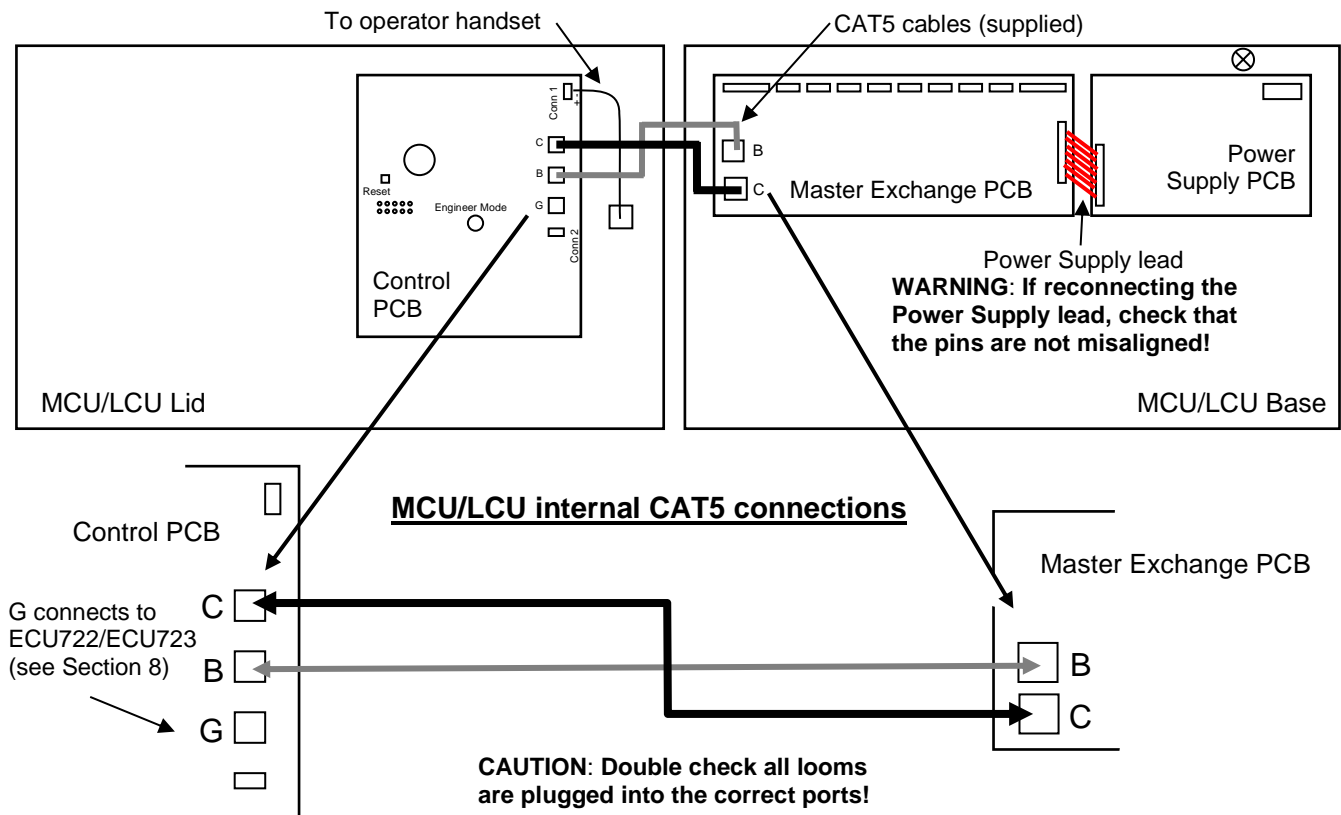
*Application Note 0012.0 (Document No. DAU0000098) details a suggested method when wiring FP200 cable to an ECU-16 panel using a junction box. See [www.c-tec.com](http://www.c-tec.com)*

### 7.4 Fix the base to the wall

Using the four mounting holes, fix the base securely to the wall using suitable screw fixings. The mounting holes are designed for No. 8 round-head or countersunk wood screws. Any dust or swarf must be kept out of the enclosure and great care must be taken not to damage the wiring or components.

## 7.5 Re-install the base PCBs

Re-install the base PCBs and refit the lid. Ensure the fixing screws and all interconnection cables are refitted correctly, as shown below.



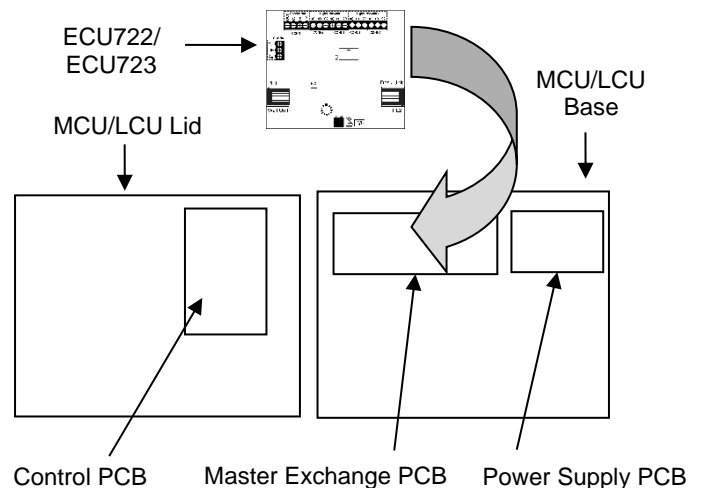
## 8 Installing the ECU722/ECU723 Network Comms Card (Optional)

The ECU722 or ECU723 Network Comms Card has to be mounted on top of the Master Exchange PCB in the MCU/LCU wall unit. The ECU723 is fitted if a desk control unit (ECU-224) is connected to an MCU. Before carrying out the steps below, ensure that the mains power is isolated and the MCU/LCU batteries are disconnected.

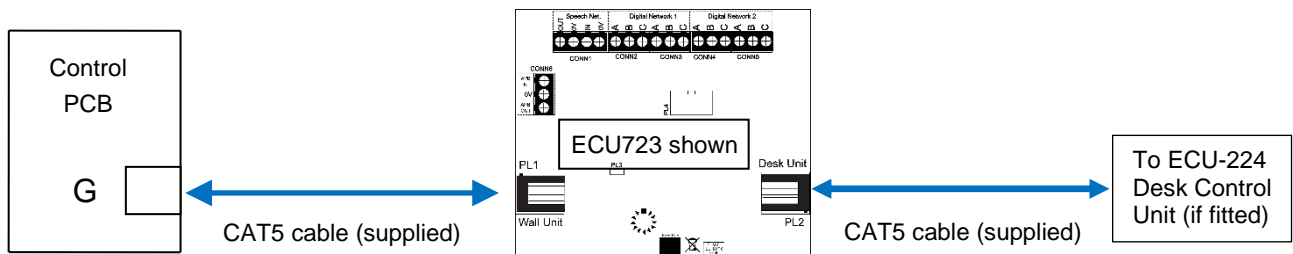
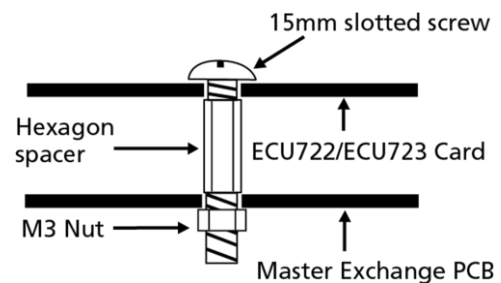
**Note:** All PCBs are static-sensitive and therefore anti-static handling precautions MUST be observed when handling.

To install an ECU722/ECU723 card follow the steps below:

1. Open the MCU/LCU lid by removing the two retaining lid screws (using an Allen key).
2. Disconnect the 10-way wiring loom between the Master Exchange PCB and the Power Supply PCB. Ensure the loom remains connected to the Power Supply PCB to prevent it from being misplaced.
3. Unplug the RJ45 connectors from terminals B&C on the Master Exchange PCB. Ensure these cables remain connected to the Control PCB to prevent them from being misplaced.
4. Unfasten the one retaining screw, located bottom left side of the Master Exchange PCB. Carefully slide the Master Exchange PCB up and over its mounting pillars, taking care not to damage any components.
5. Take the ECU722/ECU723 card and carefully line up its four holes with the holes in the Master Exchange PCB, see right.
6. Insert four M3 x 15 mm slotted screws and hex spacers (supplied) through the front holes in both the ECU722/ECU723 card and Master Exchange PCB so they protrude through the back of the PCB. Next, secure the ECU722/ECU723 card and PCB together using four M3 nuts (supplied), see right.
7. Refit the Master Exchange PCB (and mounted ECU722/ECU723 card) back into the base unit. Ensure the retaining screw on the Master Exchange PCB is firmly fastened down. Reconnect the RJ45 cables and 10-way wiring loom.
8. Connect a CAT5 cable (supplied) from terminal G on the Control PCB to PL1 on the ECU722/ECU723 card. If a Desk Control Unit is fitted, PL2 on the ECU723 card is used to connect a CAT5 cable (supplied), see below.



### Fitting the ECU722/ECU723 card



9. When all connections have been correctly made, re-apply power to the MCU/LCU.

## 9 Network Connections (Optional)

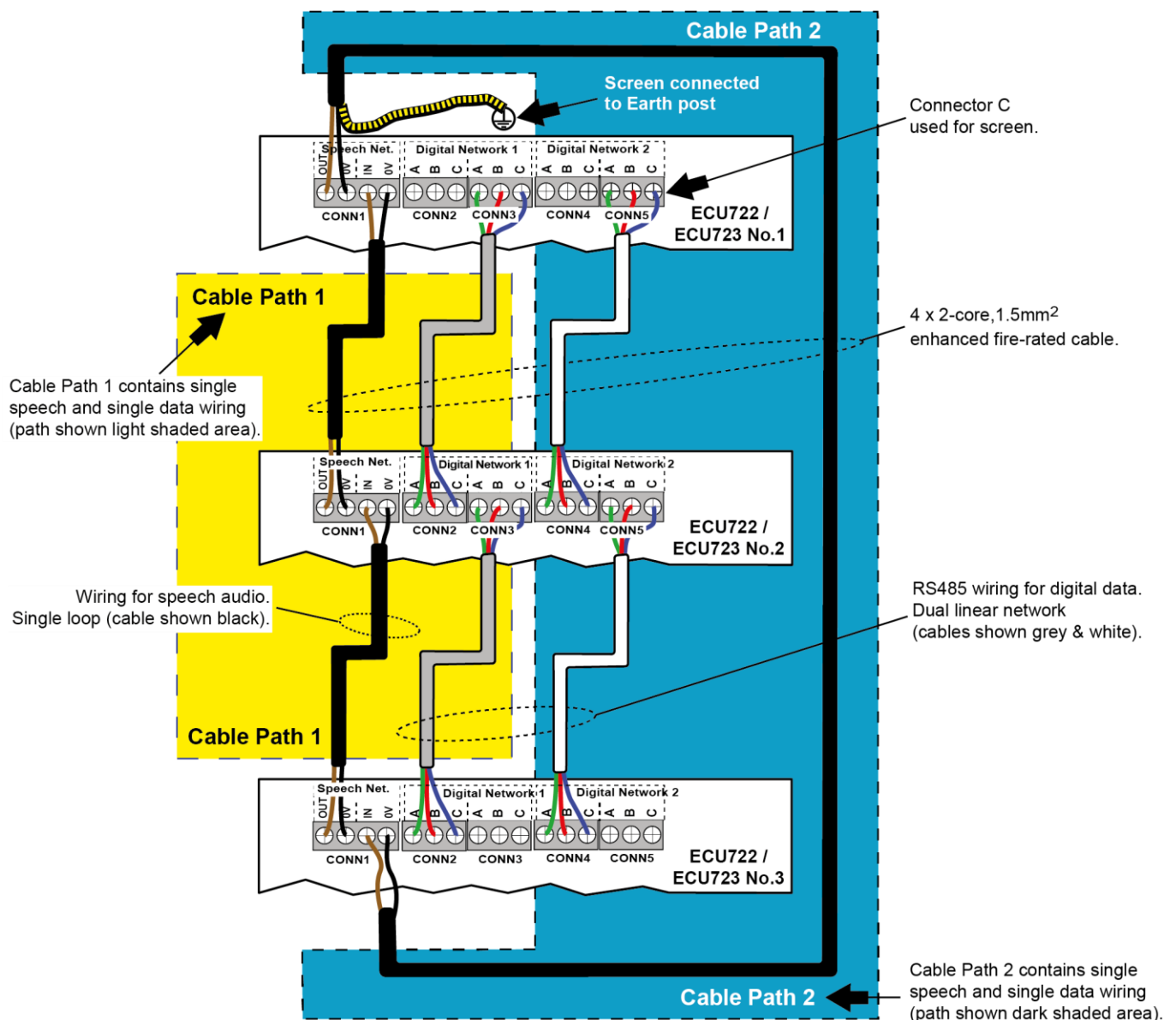
The EVCS network allows up to 14 MCU/LCU wall units to be connected by installing one Network Comms Card (ECU722/ECU723) in each control unit. The ECU723 is fitted if a desk control unit (ECU-224) is connected to an MCU. The ECU722/ECU723 card transmits speech audio via a single wiring loop and digital data via two linear RS485 networks (Digital Networks 1 & 2). The network should be connected using 4 x 2-core, 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable. Maximum length on the speech wiring loop, or digital linear wiring = 1 km. We recommend that two separate cable paths be run with each path containing a single speech and single data cable which should not be mixed in the same cable. **MIXING SPEECH AND DIGITAL CABLES MAY CAUSE MAJOR PROBLEMS AND DEGRADE THE AUDIO SIGNAL!**

A typical EVCS network showing three connected MCU/LCU units is shown below.

**Speech loop wiring:** ECU722/ECU723 No.1 (Speech OUT/0V) to ECU722/ECU723 No.3 (Speech IN/0V); ECU722/ECU723 No.3 (Speech OUT/0V) to ECU722/ECU723 No.2 (Speech IN/0V); ECU722/ECU723 No.2 (Speech OUT/0V) to ECU722/ECU723 No.1 (Speech IN/0V).

**Digital Network 1 wiring:** ECU722/ECU723 No.1 (Digital A/B/C) to ECU722/ECU723 No.2 (Digital A/B/C); ECU722/ECU723 No.2 (Digital A/B/C) to ECU722/ECU723 No.3 (Digital A/B/C).

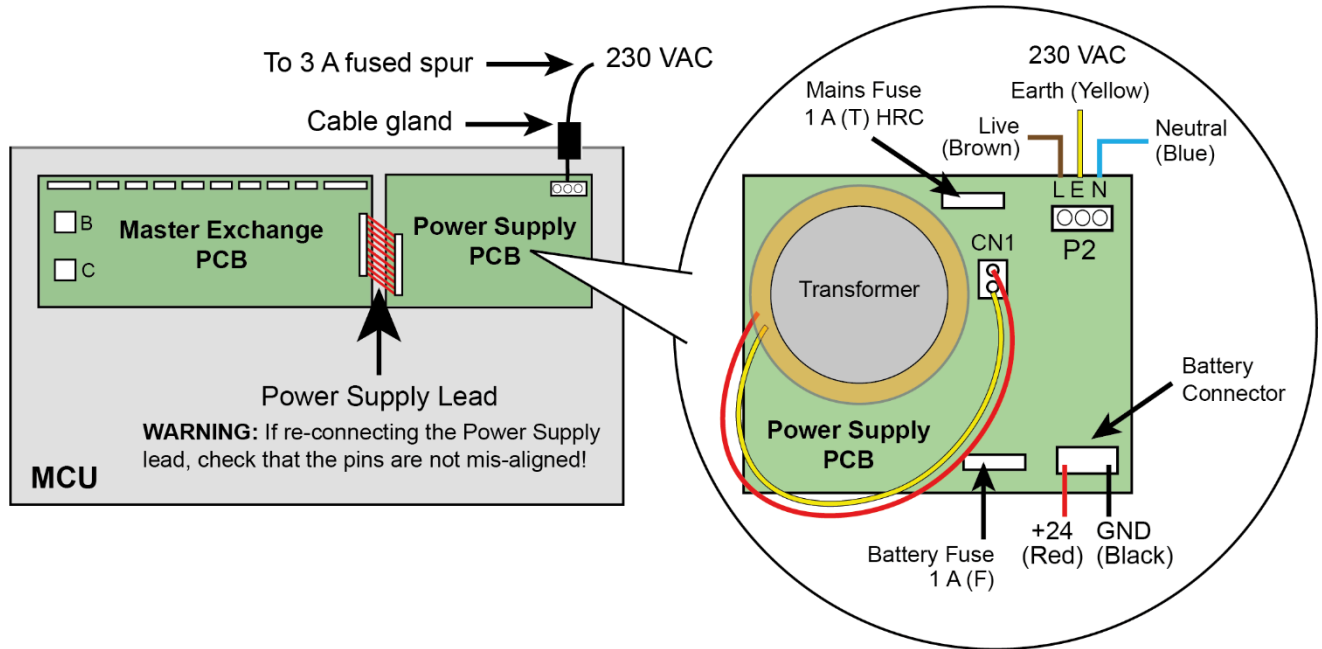
**Digital Network 2 wiring:** Same wiring configuration as Digital Network 1.



## 10 Mains Wiring

### Connect mains to the MCU/LCU wall unit

See BS 5839-9 section 13.



**MCU/LCU mains connections**

The MCU/LCU mains wiring requires fixed wiring using 3-core enhanced fire-rated cable (no less than 0.75 mm<sup>2</sup> and no more than 2.5 mm<sup>2</sup>) fed from an isolating switched fused spur, fused at 3 amps and **MUST NOT** be connected using a plug and socket. The 230 VAC cable should enter the enclosure via one of the knockouts at the top right-hand corner of the enclosure (or where convenient).

Ensure that mains cables are kept as far away as possible from all other cables.

Mains supply should be exclusive to the EVCS. Circuit breakers supplying power to the system should be marked 'EMERGENCY VOICE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM - DO NOT SWITCH OFF'.

A separate fused spur should be used for the MCU/LCU and should be marked 'EMERGENCY VOICE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM - DO NOT SWITCH OFF'.

See BS 5839-9 section 13.2 for more details.

Terminate the mains input cable using the three-way plug supplied with the power supply PCB and ensure that correct polarity is observed. The incoming mains earth connection must be connected directly to the three-way plug (P2) and **NOT** to the main chassis earth point.

## 11 Fitting Outstations & DPTA Interface

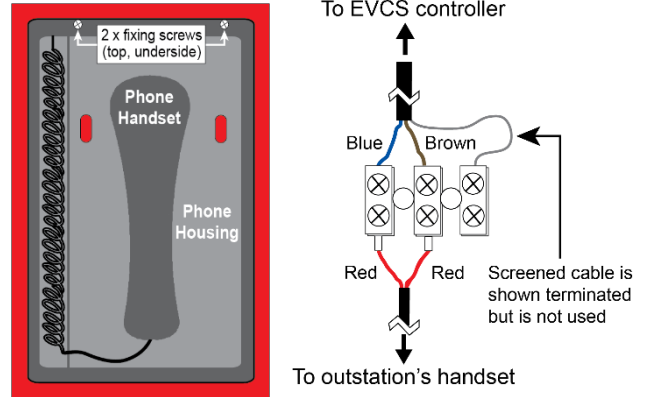
### 11.1 Cables & Location

See sections 4 & 6.1 respectively.

### 11.2 Fitting type A outstation (EVC302RPO/EVC302RLK)

Open the door and remove the two fixing screws at the top, and underside of the phone housing and pull out the internal phone housing (see right). This reveals the fixing holes and terminals. Remove the knockouts and fix the outstation to a wall. Connect the wires and fit a good quality 20mm, strain relief cable gland (see far right).

For further details refer to Type A outstation instructions (DAU0000301).



### 11.3 Fitting type B outstation (EVC302S/GS and EVC302F/GF)

Type B outstations are supplied complete with a back box that should be fitted to the wall using suitable fasteners. The back box has 20 mm knockouts at the top and bottom. Gland the cable correctly and connect a sleeved earth wire to the earth stud.

Connect the line to the LINE IN + and LINE IN – terminals.

When the installation is complete, secure the lid using the four machine screws. These have a secure pin-hex design that requires a special Allen key (supplied).

For further details refer to Type B outstation instructions (DAU0302000).

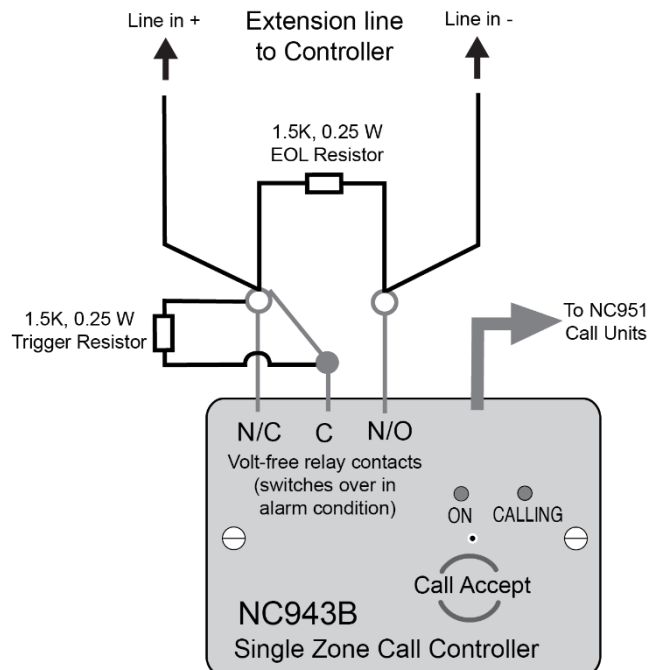
### 11.4 Wiring to a disabled persons toilet alarm (DPTA) system

To install the DPTA system, refer to the documentation supplied with the DPTA kit (Part No. NC951).

To interface the DPTA system to the EVCS, see wiring diagram right. The NC943B single zone call controller has an on-board volt-free relay.

Two 1.5k, 0.25 W, 10% resistors are required to accommodate the NC943B. The EOL resistor identifies the extension as a DPTA and the trigger resistor, when switched in, asserts an active alarm on the EVCS.

**Note:** The stainless steel DPTA kit (Part No. NC951/SS) does not have an on-board volt-free relay. An additional 12 volt relay (Part No. NC883D) is required to interface with the EVCS. Contact your supplier for purchase information.



## 12 Testing Extensions

### 12.1 Insulation resistance testing

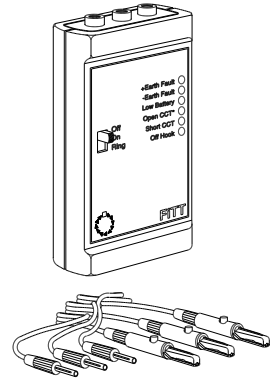
Insulation resistance testing should be carried out with no electronic devices connected. Any devices connected to the extensions will be destroyed and will not be covered by a factory warranty.

### 12.2 The FiTT line tester

Each extension should be tested before termination and connection to the MCU/LCU wall units. We recommend that a SigTEL FiTT line tester (shown right) is used to save time proving the cables and outstations are working correctly.

It also avoids the need for mains power testing.

If a FiTT line tester is not available, use a multimeter to check wiring for continuity and correct polarity.



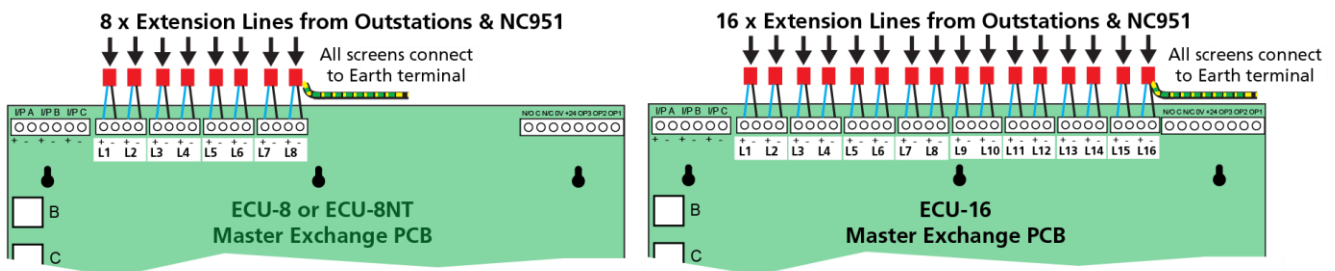
## 13 Second Fix Installation

### 13.1 Connecting extensions to the MCU/LCU wall unit

Do not connect the extensions until they have been tested and are fault-free.

Bring each extension into the base via a suitable cable gland and connect to the terminals on the Master Exchange PCB observing correct polarity, as shown below. Master Exchange PCBs are fitted in the MCU/LCU.

Connect the screens to the earth terminal in the back of the base.



**Note:** Extensions can be wired to any terminal and do not have to be wired in any specific order or sequence. If an odd number of outstations are required, there is no need to connect to the unused terminals. When the system is configured an outstation will not be found and a fault will not be reported.

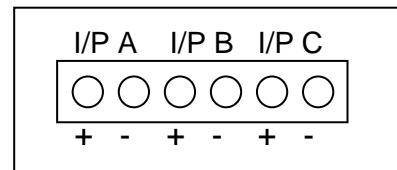
### 13.2 Fault monitoring

Once configured, the line fault monitoring system monitors for open and short circuits (the absence of an outstation constitutes an open circuit).

The MCU wall unit will also detect (and report a fault) if its handset is missing, e.g. the handset cord has been cut.

## 13.3 MCU/LCU wall unit input connections (disabling the system)

1. I/P A (Disable controls) – Disables Type A and Type B outstations.
2. I/P B (Disable controls) – Disables input signals from the DPTA interface.



To prevent unauthorized use it is possible to disable the system until an external trigger is received, e.g. from a fire alarm panel. I/P A & B are open-circuit, fail-safe and system disablement inputs. Closing these inputs, i.e. shorting the connections, disables the inputs. No system configuration is required to use this facility. The Disablement indicator on the wall unit's display will be lit to indicate the system is disabled (see section 14.1).

**Note:** For a networked system, only one MCU/LCU wall unit requires I/P A or I/P B inputs shorting.

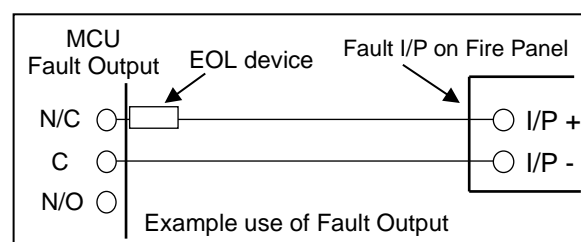
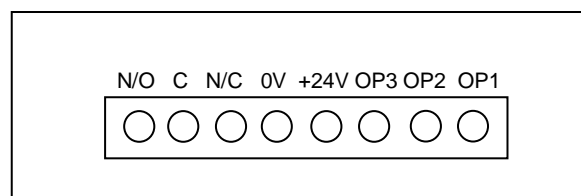
3. I/P C - Not used. For future use.

## 13.4 MCU/LCU wall unit output connections

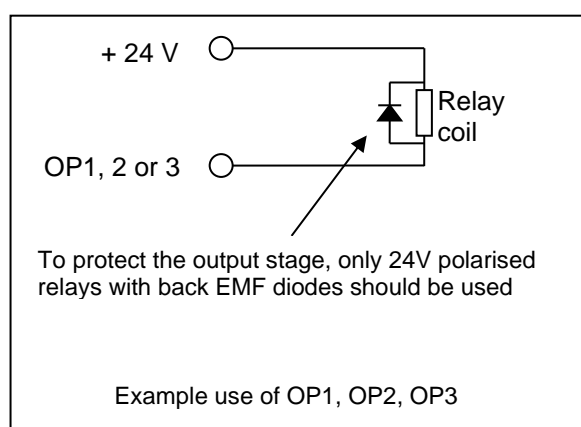
1. Fault output - The terminals marked N/O, C and N/C (see right) provide fail-safe fault outputs that can be connected to a fire alarm panel or other monitoring equipment.

The end-of-line device supplied with the input unit should be connected at the MCU/LCU to monitor the wiring (see example right). When a fault occurs, the relay disconnects the end-of-line device from the fire alarm panel.

**Note:** For a networked system, all MCU/LCU fault output relays will be activated.



2. +24 V - Used to supply the output's auxiliary equipment, e.g. relays, etc.
3. OP1 output – activates whenever the master MCU is ringing. Its main purpose is to provide an indication (possibly remote), e.g. to a strobe, beacon, etc. when someone is seeking assistance.
4. OP2 output – provides the equivalent function as OP1 output (above) for active toilet alarms.
5. OP3 output – closes when the handset is off-hook and remains active for 2 minutes after the handset is put down. This function may be used to turn off noisy equipment in the locality of the wall unit that may affect communication.



Example use of OP1, OP2, OP3

## 13.5 MCU wall unit to ECU-224 desk control unit

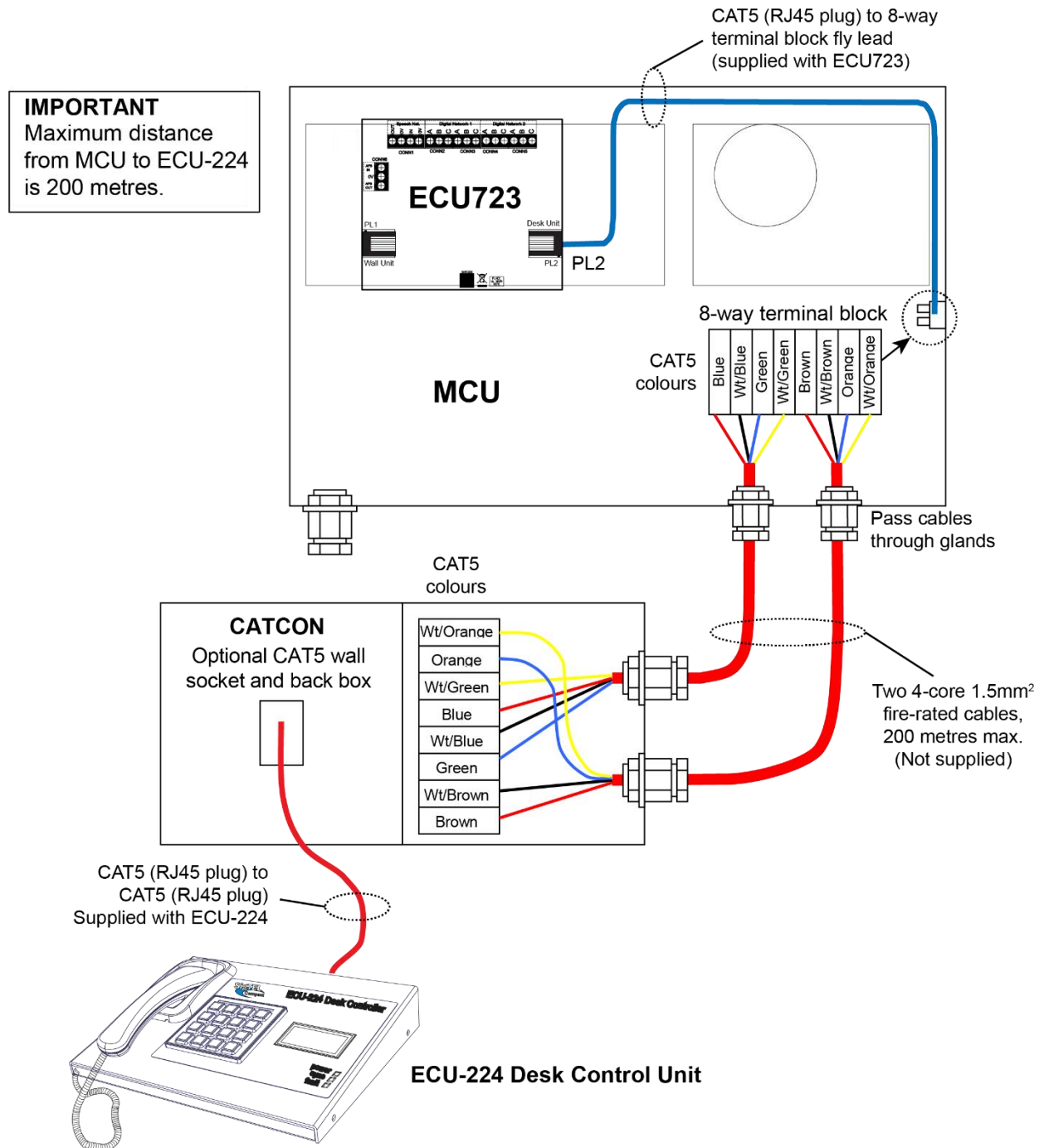
At the MCU connect the supplied CAT lead from the ECU723 to the 8-way terminal block.

Plug the supplied CAT5 lead into the back of the ECU-224. Mount a CAT5 wall socket and back box (CATCON) in a suitable location and connect the CAT5 lead from the ECU-224 to the CAT5 wall socket.

Connect two 4-core 1.5mm<sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cables from the 8-way terminal block in the MCU to the CATCON. Use one 4-core for TX-, TX+, RX- and RX+ and one 4-core for +24V, GND, Audio + and Audio -.

The interconnecting cable from the ECU-224 to an MCU is fully monitored and a fault will sound at the MCU if the ECU-224 is removed or damaged.

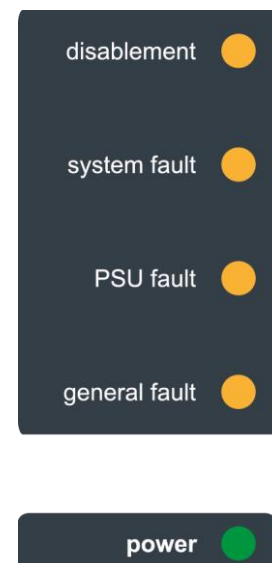
**Note:** Do not mix audio and data in one cable as there is no internal screening. The audio quality will be severely degraded and the system may not operate reliably.



## 14 Indicators & Controls

### 14.1 MCU wall unit external indicators

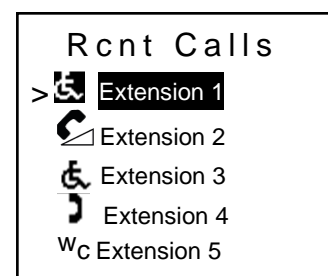
Indicator	Colour	What this means
<b>Disablement</b>	Amber	The EVCS is powered up and checking for faults but the MCU is disabled from making, or receiving calls, until an external trigger is applied, e.g. from a fire alarm panel. See section 13.3 for disabling the system. This is NOT a fault indicator. This function is used to stop nuisance/malicious use of the EVCS until the system is required.
<b>System Fault</b>	Amber	There is a problem with the microprocessor. If this indicator cannot be extinguished, there may be a serious problem with the microprocessor. Contact the service company responsible for the EVCS.
<b>PSU Fault</b>	Amber	There is a fault with the mains power supply or backup batteries.
<b>General Fault</b>	Amber	There is a local or remote fault on the EVCS. The display will show more information.
<b>Power</b>	Green	Power (mains or battery) is present.



### 14.2 MCU wall unit display


The liquid crystal display (LCD) shows call status, system information, fault information and uses the following graphic symbols:


Graphic symbol	What this means
	MCU Wall Unit (ECU-16, ECU-8 or ECU-4)
	LCU Wall Unit (ECU-8NT)
	Desk Control Unit (ECU-224)
	Type A (fire telephone) outstation
	Type B (disabled refuge) outstation
	Disabled persons toilet alarm (DPTA) interface
	The display entry is highlighted, ready to be selected



Example display

#### Display conventions

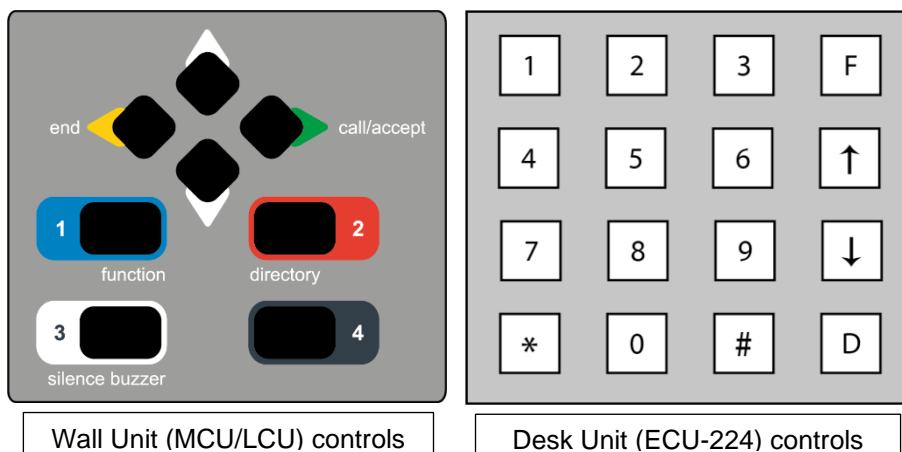
Standard / non-active displays are shown normally, e.g. ' Extension 2'

Active displays are shown reversed, e.g. '>  Extension 1'

The flashing graphic symbol in front of an extension name means this extension is calling the MCU, or the MCU is calling the extension. The display's backlight also flashes red.

## 14.3 External controls

The wall and desk unit external control buttons are located on the keypad. They are multifunctional, dependent on the unit's current status.



The corresponding buttons on the Desk Control Unit are:

↑ and ↓ = Scroll Up/Down, F = FUNCTION, \* = CALL/ACCEPT, # = END, D = DIRECTORY

Wall Unit button	What this means	When to press this button
▲	Scroll Up	Used to scroll up and down the phone directory and menus.
▼	Scroll Down	
CALL/ACCEPT ►	Make/Accept Calls & Select Menus	When the MCU's handset is off-hook press this button to either make an outgoing call to an extension or accept an incoming call from an extension. Also, selects menu options.
◀ END	End a Call & ESC to previous menu & Lamp test	When the MCU's handset is off-hook press this button to disconnect the caller. When the MCU's handset is on-hook press this button to escape back to a previous menu. <b>Note:</b> To perform a lamp and buzzer test, press and hold.
FUNCTION & 1	Additional functions & security PIN code entry	Used to access the 'User Opts' menu.
DIRECTORY & 2	Telephone directory & security PIN code entry	With the MCU's handset off-hook, toggles between a complete list of extensions and a list of recent calls (if any).
SILENCE BUZZER & 3	Silence buzzer & security PIN code entry	Used to silence the MCU's internal buzzer.
4	Security PIN code entry	

## 14.4 Internal controls

**Note:** The controls inside the MCU/LCU wall units are for use by the service company responsible for the EVCS. **Under no circumstances should these internal controls be accessed by operators.**

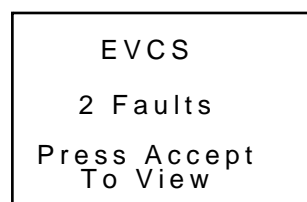
The Reset and Engineer Mode buttons are located on the Control PCB (back of front lid). The Engineer Mode button is used to allow configuration and testing of the system. The Reset button is only used to manually initiate a clean restart to the system, or to reset test calls that have been made from unassigned Type B outstations.

## 15 Fault Messages

Faults on the EVCS are normally non-latching and will clear if the fault disappears. The only exception is a watchdog fault which occurs at initial power-up, or after a system reset and stays latched until manually cleared. Normally this fault clears when accepted. If the EVCS has been configured previously and any extensions are now missing or are incorrectly connected the relevant faults are displayed. The display (right) shows a typical display but may have a different number of faults.

Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to view the fault(s).

When a fault occurs, the relevant fault indicator is lit and a buzzer sounds intermittently at the wall units.



## Clearing faults

Most faults can be cleared in turn (e.g. watchdog fault), by pressing the **CALL/ACCEPT** button. Each fault that is no longer present will automatically clear and the next fault will be presented.

You can also press ▲ and ▼ to navigate through the faults and select which ones to clear.

## Remaining faults

All outstation faults should be cleared before configuration. Some faults, such as mains failing when setting up on batteries, may not clear and will stay on the display. Some faults may require investigation, or assistance from the service company responsible for the EVCS. If required, contact them directly for assistance by quoting the exact nature of the fault which is shown on the display.

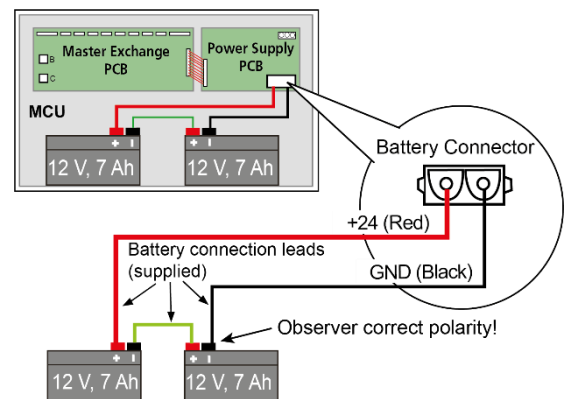
# 16 Powering Up and Testing

## Setup using batteries

These instructions assume that the system is being set up and configured on batteries only. If it is configured on mains only, or mains and batteries, the fault displays will change accordingly.

Two 12 volt, 7 Ah VRLA battery pack (Part No. BC286/2) should be used with each MCU/LCU wall unit. These should be connected in series using the leads supplied with each unit. The terminal voltage of the batteries must be at least 22 V.

Do not leave batteries attached for long time periods whilst the mains is not connected as they will become fully discharged and will have to be replaced.



## Setup using mains

Fit a 3 amp fuse into the switched fused spur and turn the power on.

## Turn the power on

As soon as the MCU receives power the handsets may ring for a moment and the MCU will sound an intermittent fault buzzer. The Power, System Fault, PSU Fault and General Fault LEDs will be lit. Cancel the fault buzzer by pressing the **SILENCE BUZZER** button.

## Check the outstations are working

Go to each outstation in turn.

At Type A outstations lift the handset off-hook to automatically make a call. Pick up the MCU's handset and communicate with the outstation

At Type B outstations press the 'Push to Call or Answer' button and the red LED will light. This cannot be cancelled so when you have finished checking them all, press the Reset button inside the MCU/LCU lid.

When all outstations are working, clear the fault display to make sure that there are no other problems and then use the auto-learn option to begin the system configuration (see section 17).

## Check the ECU-224 is working

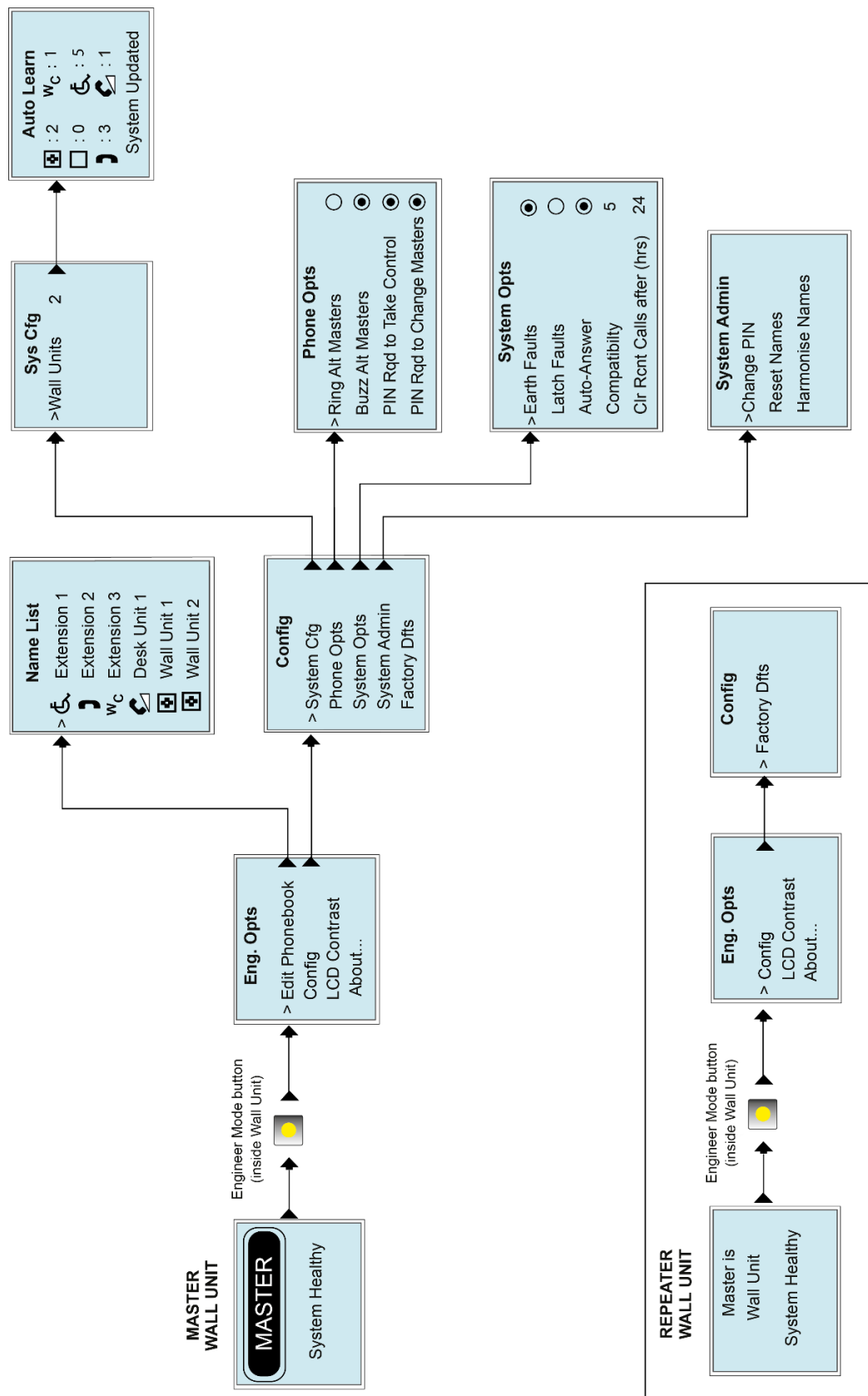
The green POWER LED and display should be lit. The display should be lit. Try to make a call from an outstation. If you hear a ringing tone, it is OK. If not, check for correct polarity or cable faults.

## Check the toilet alarms are working

Go to each toilet alarm system in turn. Initiate an alarm from a call unit on each system and confirm the call is displayed at the MCU/LCU. Ensure all toilet alarms are cleared and reset.

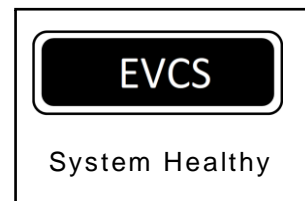
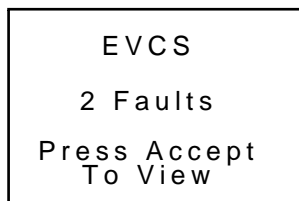
**Note:** Toilet alarms can only be reset at the alarm point of origin and cannot be reset at the MCU/LCU.

**Figure 1 - Wall Unit Engineer's Menu Tree**



## 17 Automatic Configuration

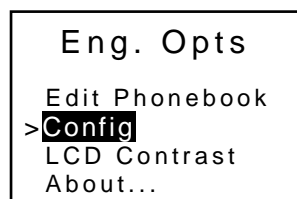
If the fault menu is displayed, press **CALL/ACCEPT** then **END** button to exit the menu. The backlight will go out and the display will show 'System Healthy'



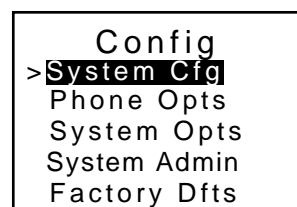
### 17.1 Single, non-networked system configuration

System configuration can only be performed at an MCU wall unit. Before configuring the system, ensure the MCU wall unit, optional ECU-224 desk control unit, outstations and DPTA interfaces have been installed, connected and tested. Ensure that all handsets are on-hook and toilet alarms are cleared and reset.

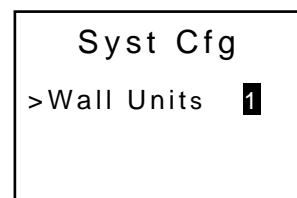
1. Open the MCU lid and press the **Engineer Mode** button. See Figure 1, page 24. The **Eng. Opts** menu is displayed.  
Press ▼ to highlight the **Config** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.



2. The **Config** menu is displayed.  
**System Cfg** option is highlighted. Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.




3. The **Syst Cfg** menu is displayed.  
Wall Units option is highlighted.  
**Note:** Check the Wall Units (MCU) are set to 1.




Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

4. The system will automatically perform an auto-learn and detect the attached extensions. The system configuration is displayed at the MCU, see the example below.

 symbol denotes the number of MCU wall units (ECU-16, ECU-8 or ECU-4).

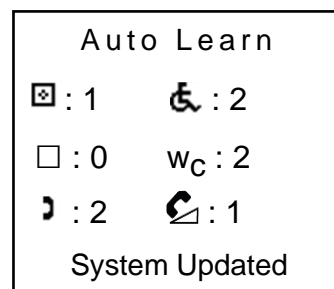
 symbol denotes the number of LCU wall units (ECU-8NT).





 symbol denotes the number of Desk Control Units (ECU-224).

 symbol denotes the number of Type A (fire telephone) outstations.

 symbol denotes the number of Type B (disabled refuge) outstations.

$W_C$  symbol denotes the number of DPTA interfaces on the system.



Check the number of  and  and  and  and  $W_C$  match the number of connected devices.

**Note:** If at the auto-learn stage there is a mismatch between the expected and the displayed number of system devices, press **END** button to exit and restart the auto-learn process.

5. Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display. The system is now configured and can be used. Extension names can be added/edited at this point (see Naming extensions – section 17.5).

## 17.2 Networked system configuration

Before configuring the network, ensure all MCU/LCU wall units, optional ECU-224 desk control units, outstations, DPTA interfaces and network cards have been installed, connected and tested. Ensure all handsets are on-hook and toilet alarms are cleared and reset.

The network requires one MCU wall unit to be nominated as the 'master' MCU for commissioning purposes. This MCU wall unit will initially have overall control of the system. The remaining wall and desk control units on the network act as repeaters and can take control from the master MCU after configuration.

### Select a master MCU wall unit

1. At the chosen master MCU wall unit, open the lid and press the **Engineer Mode** button. The **Eng. Opts** menu is displayed. See Figure 1, page 24.

2. Press ▼ to highlight the **Config** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

```
Eng. Opts
Edit Phonebook
>Config
LCD Contrast
About...
```

3. The **Config** menu is displayed.  
**System Cfg** option is highlighted. Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

```
Config
>System Cfg
Phone Opts
System Opts
System Admin
Factory Dfts
```

4. The **Syst Cfg** menu is displayed.  
Wall Units option is highlighted.

Press ▼ and ▲ to set the total number of wall units (MCU and LCU) on the network including the master MCU (2 to 14), e.g. '3' shown right.

**Note:** DO NOT include ECU-224 desk control units in this count.

Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

```
Syst Cfg
>Wall Units 3
```

The master MCU wall unit then requests repeater MCU/LCU wall units to join it on the network.

5. Go to a repeater MCU/LCU wall unit and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to join the network.

Repeat this step for all remaining wall units on the network.

```
Network
Detected

Press Accept
to Join
```

**Note:** The sequential order in which the wall units join the network will determine the default names and numbers allocated to the control units and connected extensions. The master unit will be allocated wall unit 1 with extensions 1 to 16, the 1<sup>st</sup> repeater to join the network will be allocated wall unit 2 with extensions 17 to 32, and so forth. See section 17.4 for default names and numbers.

- After all repeaters have joined the network, the system will automatically perform an auto-learn and detect the attached extensions. The system configuration is displayed at the master MCU wall unit, see the example below.

☒ symbol denotes the number of MCU wall units (ECU-16, ECU-8 or ECU-4).

**Note:** There is a maximum of 14 wall units for a networked system.

□ symbol denotes the number of LCU (ECU-8NT).

⌋ symbol denotes the number of Desk Control Units (ECU-224).

☎ symbol denotes the number of Type A (fire telephone) outstations.

☎ symbol denotes the number of Type B (disabled refuge) outstations.

$W_C$  symbol denotes the number of DPTA interfaces on the system.

Auto Learn			
☒ : 2	☎ : 5		
□ : 1	$W_C$ : 4		
⌋ : 5	⌋ : 2		
System Updated			

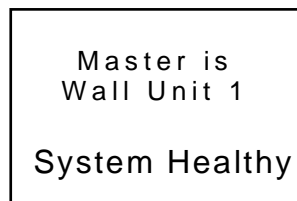
Check the number of ☒ and □ and ⌋ and ⌋ and ☎ and  $W_C$  match the number of connected devices.

**Note:** If at the auto-learn stage there is a mismatch between the expected and the displayed number of network devices, press **END** button to exit and restart the auto-learn process.

- Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display.  
The master MCU wall unit and wall/desk repeater units (MCU/LCU/ECU-224) will display their network status. See the examples below.



Networked 'master' MCU



Networked 'repeater' MCU/LCU/ECU-224

The system is now configured and can be used.

**Note:** Extension names can be added/edited at this point (see Naming extensions – section 17.5).

### 17.3 Adding or replacing wall units, outstations or DPTA interfaces after commissioning

**Note:** Compatibility issues may arise if adding/replacing a panel with the latest firmware onto a networked system with earlier firmware. Some features of the new firmware may be disabled/unavailable to ensure smooth compatibility with the panels with earlier firmware. If the latest features are required, then all panels on the network must be replaced.

Firstly, make the necessary electrical/mechanical changes and ensure all faults are cleared on the system.

**To add an MCU/LCU wall unit (networked system):** Open the lid of the current master MCU and press the Engineer Mode button. Select the '**Config**' menu, then '**System Cfg**' menu. Press ▼ and ▲ to set the number of wall units (MCU/LCU) on the network including the master MCU (2 to 14) and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button. Go to each repeater MCU/LCU wall unit in turn and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to join the network. The system automatically performs an auto-learn and displays the updated system configuration at the master MCU.

**To replace a faulty MCU/LCU wall unit (networked system):** Make sure that the faulty panel you are replacing is not the current 'master' (by transferring control if required), then repeat the same procedure detailed above.

**To add/remove an outstation or DPTA interfaces (non-networked and networked system):** Perform an auto-learn and the MCU wall unit (or master MCU wall unit on a networked system) will display the updated system configuration.

### 17.4 Default names

On a networked system, following an auto-learn, wall units (MCU/LCU), desk control units (ECU-224) and extensions are allocated the default names and numbers shown below.

**Note:** The sequential order in which the wall units join the network will determine the default names and numbers allocated. See section 17.2.

Wall Unit 1 to 14.

Desk Control Unit 1 to 14.






Wall Unit 1: Extension 1 to 16	Wall Unit 6: Extension 81 to 96	Wall Unit 11: Extension 161 to 176
Wall Unit 2: Extension 17 to 32	Wall Unit 7: Extension 97 to 112	Wall Unit 12: Extension 177 to 192
Wall Unit 3: Extension 33 to 48	Wall Unit 8: Extension 113 to 128	Wall Unit 13: Extension 193 to 208
Wall Unit 4: Extension 49 to 64	Wall Unit 9: Extension 129 to 144	Wall Unit 14: Extension 209 to 224
Wall Unit 5: Extension 65 to 80	Wall Unit 10: Extension 145 to 160	

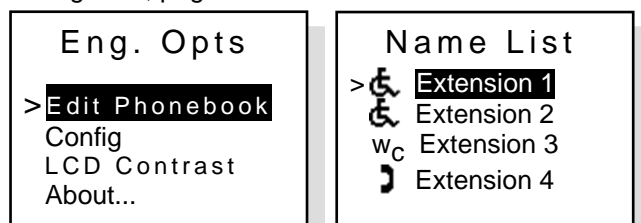
### 17.5 Naming extensions

Open the lid of the MCU/LCU (or, in the case of a networked system, the current master MCU) and press the **Engineer Mode** button. The **Eng. Opts** menu is displayed. See Figure 1, page 24.

Select **Edit Phonebook** option, see right.

A list of all system devices will be displayed:






W<sub>C</sub> symbols denote whether they are wall units, desk control units, outstations or DPTA interfaces, see far right.



### 17.5.1 Interactive naming

This function reduces the chance of errors with outstation locations and their names. It also tests that the audio quality is acceptable. This function has limited use when naming toilet alarms as you cannot make an audio call to the MCU wall unit using the toilet alarm.

With a person at the MCU (or, in the case of a networked system, the current master MCU) go to each outstation in turn. At each outstation, pick up the handset (Type A), or press 'Push to Call or Answer' button (Type B). This automatically selects that outstation for editing and the channel is opened for speech.

Check the audio quality of the line and tell the operator at the MCU your position and they can edit the extension name immediately – see manual naming, below.

**Note:** To avoid confusion, select one extension at a time during the naming process. If more than one extension is selected during this process, the lowest number will be selected for editing.

### 17.5.2 Manual naming

Press ▲ and ▼ to highlight the extension you want to name and then press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to select the first letter, as shown right.

Press ▲ and ▼ to change the letter, press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to accept and move to the next letter and press **END** button to move to the previous letter.

#### Name List

> Extension 2  
 Extension 2  
w<sub>C</sub> Extension 3  
 Extension 4

Press **FUNCTION** button to change the character set as follows:

Starting with the letter 'E' for example	Starting with a non-alphabetic character
1st press changes to lower case 'e'	1st press changes to characters 'SPACE'
2nd press changes to characters 'SPACE'	2nd press changes to number '0'
3rd press changes to number '0'	3rd press changes to upper case 'A'
4th press returns to upper case 'E'	4th press returns to lower case 'a'

#### Character Set (Changed by pressing ▲ and ▼)

*Characters* - SPACE ! " # \$ % & ' < > \* + , - . /

*Numbers* - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 : ; < = > ? @

*Uppercase* - A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z [ \ ] ^ \_ °

*Lower case* - a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z ® ( )

When you have finished editing an extension, press **DIRECTORY** button to save the changes and then ▲ and ▼ to select another extension to name.

When you have finished naming all extensions, press **END** button multiple times to return to the default screen.

If you want to cancel editing an extension name, press button '4' to return to the previously saved description.

### 17.5.3 EVC configurator tools

The EVC423 Configurator tools, supplied with software drivers and leads, facilitates quick and easy editing of extension names and provides limited engineering functions. Features include:

- Graphical representation of the EVCS including controllers and connected extensions
- Quick and easy editing of extensions names
- Set up can be saved to, and from, a PC
- Requires a Configurator (Part No. EVC423) and a PC/Laptop (Windows compatible) loaded with the EVCS Configurator tools.

Contact your supplier for details.

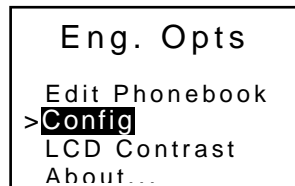
## 18 Additional Engineer Functions

**Note:** For a networked system, these functions can only be accessed at the current master MCU wall unit. See Figure 1, page 24.

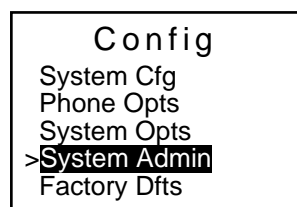
### 18.1 Change the security PIN code

The default security PIN code is **2222**.

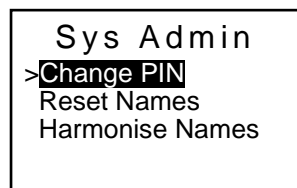
1. Open the lid of the MCU wall unit and press the **Engineer Mode** button. The **Eng. Opts** menu is displayed.
2. Press ▼ to highlight the **Config** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.



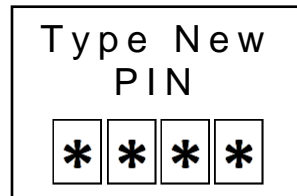
3. The **Config** menu is displayed.  
Press ▼ to highlight **System Admin** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.



4. The **Sys Admin** menu is displayed.  
Press ▼ to highlight **Change PIN** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.



5. Enter, then re-enter the new PIN number. Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to confirm the PIN number change.  
Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display.



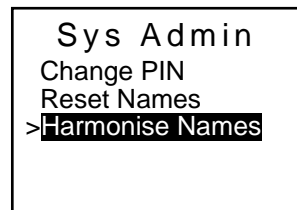
### 18.2 Harmonise names (networked system only)

Harmonise names option is used to globally update all network settings, e.g. security PIN code changes, extension names, etc. This option is not normally required but could be used, for example, to update the extension name list if there was a mismatch.

1. At the MCU wall unit, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **Sys Admin** menu.
2. Press ▼ to highlight **Harmonise Names** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

All network settings will be updated globally on the network.

After the harmonisation process is complete, press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display.



### 18.3 Latch faults

Latch faults option is not normally enabled but is available, if required, for fault diagnosis purposes, e.g. identifying intermittent faults.

1. At the MCU wall unit, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **Sys Opts** menu.

2. Press ▼ to highlight the **Latch Faults** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display

System Opts	
Earth Faults	⊙
> Latch Faults	⊙
Auto-Answer	⊙
Compatibility	5
Clr Rcmt calls after (hrs) :	24

### 18.4 Clear recent calls

Clear recent calls enables the call activity log, held by the system, to be automatically cleared after a set time period. It can be set at hourly increments from 6 to 24 hours (the default setting is 24 hours).

1. At the MCU wall unit, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **System Opts** menu.

2. Press ▼ to highlight **Clr Rcmt calls after (hrs)** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button.

System Opts	
Earth Faults	⊙
Latch Faults	⊙
Auto-Answer	⊙
Compatibility	5
> Clr Rcmt calls after (hrs) :	24

3. Press ▼ and ▲ to set the time in hours, e.g. 6 hours, and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to confirm the setting.

Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display.

System Opts	
Earth Faults	⊙
Latch Faults	⊙
Auto-Answer	⊙
Compatibility	5
> Clr Rcmt calls after (hrs) :	6

### 18.5 Auto-answer

By default, auto-answer mode is enabled, which means a wall or desk control unit automatically answers an incoming call when its handset is picked up. This provides a simple method of answering calls.

When auto-answer is enabled, and there are multiple incoming calls, there is less control for an operator to manually select which call to answer first, or to make an outgoing call. As a rule, the lowest system numbered extension will be the first answered.

To disable auto-answer mode and revert to manual-answer mode follow the steps below:

1. At the MCU wall unit, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **System Opts** menu.

2. Press ▼ to highlight **Auto-Answer** option.

System Opts	
Earth Faults	⊙
Latch Faults	⊙
> Auto-Answer	⊙
Compatibility	5
> Clr Rcmt calls after (hrs) :	24

3. Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to disable the option.

Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display.

#### System Opts

Earth Faults	⊙
Latch Faults	○
<b>Auto-Answer</b>	○
Compatibility	5
>Clr Rcnt calls	
>after (hrs) :	24

## 18.6 Making wall units ring instead of buzz when outstations are calling in

Normally, when a desk control unit is the current master and an outstation calls in, the wall units will sound their buzzer. This option allows both desk and wall control units to ring when a call is received. Note there is no buzzer in the desk unit.

1. At the MCU wall unit, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **Phone Opts** menu > Select '**Ring Alt Masters**' option. Note that '**Buzz Alt Masters**' becomes deselected.

## 18.7 First come, first serve

This option provides the capability of being able to answer a call and take control of the system without entering a security PIN code. To enable the 'first come, first serve' option, follow the steps below:

1. At the MCU wall unit, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **Phone Opts** menu.
2. Press ▼ to highlight **PIN Rqd to Take Control** option.

#### Phone Opts

Ring Alt Masters	⊙
Buzz Alt Masters	○
>PIN Rqd to	
> <b>Take Control</b>	⊙
>PIN Rqd to	
Change Master	⊙

3. Press **CALL/ACCEPT** button to disable the option.

Press **END** button multiple times to exit to the 'System Healthy' display.

#### Phone Opts

Ring Alt Masters	⊙
Buzz Alt Masters	○
>PIN Rqd to	
> <b>Take Control</b>	○
>PIN Rqd to	
Change Master	⊙

## 18.8 Clean start procedures

### To reset to factory default:

Factory defaults option will erase the current system configuration. For example, networked wall units will revert to standalone units with no connected desk units or extensions. After completing a factory default, a fresh system configuration will need to be performed.

At each wall unit in turn, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **Factory Dfts** option. Accept the warning.

### To reset the system names:

Reset names option will reset the manually edited names of the system wall units, desk control units and extensions back to their default names.

At each wall unit in turn, press **Engineer mode** button > Select **Config** > Select **System Admin** menu > Select **Reset Names** option. Accept the warning.

## 19 Component Specifications

**Note:** This specification applies to MCU wall units (ECU-16, ECU-8, ECU-4) & LCU wall unit (ECU-8NT) unless stated.

<b>Power Supply and Batteries</b>	
Mains supply	230 VAC, 50/60 Hz
Power supply output 1	24 VDC
Power supply output 2	5 VDC
Output current @ 24 VDC	0.5 A max.
Battery pack per MCU/LCU	2 x 12 V, 7 Ah (Part No. BC286/2) Typically, provides 24 hours (standby) plus 3 hours (in use)
Mains supply/battery charger is monitored for failure	Yes
Batteries are monitored for disconnection and failure	Yes
Earth fault monitoring	Yes
<b>Quiescent current when operating on batteries only</b>	
MCU/LCU only with mains fault buzzer silenced	85 mA
MCU/LCU only with mains fault buzzer sounding	100 mA
Quiescent current per Type A outstation	1 mA
Quiescent current per Type B outstation	3.2 mA
Off-hook current per Type A outstation	25 mA
Off-hook current per Type B outstation	25 mA
Max current *	500 mA
* 16 Type B outstations fitted, one connected, 15 calling in.	
<b>Output Ratings</b>	
OP1, OP2, OP3 open collector outputs	24 V, 50 mA maximum
Change-over relay	30 V, 1 A maximum.
24 V output	200 mA maximum
<b>Audio Section</b>	
Microphone frequency response	250 Hz to 5 kHz +/- 3 dB
Earpiece frequency response	250 Hz to 4 kHz +/- 3 dB
Loudspeaker frequency response	250 Hz to 4 kHz +/- 3 dB
<b>Extension Specification</b>	
Maximum number of extensions per MCU/LCU	16 (ECU-16), 8 (ECU-8), 4 (ECU-4) / 8 (ECU-8NT)
No. of outstations or DPTA interfaces per extension	1
Extensions monitored for open-circuit and short-circuit	Yes
<b>Fuses</b>	
Mains fuse	1 A (T) 20 mm HRC
Battery fuse	1 A (F) 20 mm
<b>DPTA (NC951) Interface Resistors</b>	
EOL & trigger resistors	1.5K, 0.25 W, 10%
<b>Cables</b>	
Extensions to outstations	2-core, 1.0 mm <sup>2</sup> or 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> , enhanced fire-rated cable, up to 1 km per extension (maximum cable resistance = 40 ohms)
Extensions to DPTA systems (NC951)	2-core cable is required for each extension
Power supplies	Fixed wiring using 3-core enhanced fire-rated cable (no less than 0.75 mm <sup>2</sup> and no more than 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> ) fed from an isolating switched fused spur, fused at 3 A
MCU to MCU/LCU – networked system	4 x 2-core, 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable, up to 1 km in length
MCU/LCU to ECU722/ECU723 – networked system	One CAT5 cable (supplied with ECU722/ECU723)
MCU to ECU-224	Two, 4-core 1.0 mm <sup>2</sup> or 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> enhanced fire-rated cable up to 200 metres in length.
<b>Controls &amp; Indicators</b>	
Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)	128 x 64-pixel graphic LCD unit, two-colour backlight
Controls (pushbuttons)	Scroll Up ▲, Scroll Down ▼, End ◀, Call/Accept ▶, Function, Directory, Silence Buzzer, Four numbered buttons (1, 2, 3 & 4)
Indicators (LEDs)	Disablement (Amber), System Fault (Amber), PSU Fault (Amber), General Fault (Amber), Power (Green)
Internal controls (pushbuttons)	Engineer Mode, Reset
<b>Component Colours</b>	
MCU/LCU	Lid and base RAL7035 (Grey texture)
ECU-224	RAL 3000 (Red)
EVC302RPO and EVC302RLK	RAL 3000 (Red)

EVC302F/GF and EVC302S/GS	Fascia stainless steel (EVC302F and EVC302S), Fascia mild steel green (EVC302GF and EVC302GS). Base RAL 9005 (Jet Black)
<b>Dimensions &amp; Weight (unpacked)</b>	
MCU/LCU	435 mm (w) x 270 mm (h) x 85 mm (d). Weight: 3.1 kg
ECU-224	305 mm (w) x 100 mm (h) x 230 mm (d). Weight: 1.7 kg
Enclosure BF359/3D	725 mm (w) x 448 mm (h) x 193 mm (d). Weight: 11.1 kg
Type A Outstation EVC302RPO/RLK	175 mm (w) x 297 mm (h) x 102 mm (d). Weight: 2.2 kg
Bezel T-BEZ302	216.5 mm (w) x 338.5 mm (h) x 20 mm (d). Weight: 0.5 kg
Type B Outstation EVC302S/GS	160 mm (w) x 240 mm (h) x 53 mm (d). Weight: 1.3 kg
Type B Outstation EVC302F/GF	175 mm (w) x 250 mm (h) x 53 mm (d). Weight: 1.5 kg
Enclosure BF359/1	200 mm (w) x 302 mm (h) x 123 mm (d). Weight: 3.3 kg
<b>Operating Conditions</b>	
The wall enclosure has an IP30 rating (to EN 60529) and is designed for indoor use only. The components are selected to operate within their specification when the environmental conditions outside the enclosure comply with class 3k5 of the latest edition of IEC 721-3-3. Temp. range: 0°C to +40°C. Max. humidity: 95% non-condensing.	

## 20 Enhanced SigTEL Compact Features

As the firmware for the SigTEL Compact range of panels has been developed, new enhanced features have been added. The enhanced features and corresponding firmware versions are listed in the table below:

		<b>Wall Unit Firmware Version</b>				
		<b>V 2.5.14</b>	<b>V 2.6.14</b>	<b>V 3.1.17</b>	<b>V 4.1.2</b>	<b>V 5.6.0 (or above)</b>
<b>Enhanced Features</b>	<i>Network Capability</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	<i>Latch Faults Option</i>	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
	<i>'Auto-Clear Recent Calls' Set Time</i>	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
	<i>Auto-Answer Option</i>	✗	✓*	✓*	✓**	✓**
	<i>Off-Hook &amp; Jammed Button Detection</i>	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
	<i>DPTA Interface</i>	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
	<i>PC Tools Support for EVCS</i>	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
	<i>OP3 activates on system use</i>	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
	<i>Set Factory Dfts does not reset names</i>	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
	<i>'First come, first served' option</i>	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
	<i>'Secondary masters ring' option</i>	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
	<i>Connectivity with ECU-224 Desk Unit</i>	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
<i>Nos. of Outstations + DPTA handled</i>		64	64	64	64	224
<b>Installation &amp; Configuration Manual</b>		DAU0000091				
<b>Operator Instructions</b>		DAU0000092				
<b>Quick Start Installation Guide</b>		DAU0000093				

\* In default mode Auto-Answer feature is disabled.

\*\* In default mode Auto-Answer feature is enabled.

### 20.1 Firmware version and wall/desk unit name

To find out the firmware version installed on the EVCS and wall/desk unit name:

- At any wall unit or desk unit, with the handset on-hook, press **FUNCTION** button.
- The **User Opts** menu is displayed (typical display shown right).
- Select the **About** option and press **CALL/ACCEPT** button. The firmware version and name of the unit are displayed (typical display shown right).

#### User Opts

Clr Rcnt Calls  
Alt. Masters  
Reset System  
> **About...**

#### EVCS

v 5.6.n

Wall Unit 1

**Note:** Compatibility issues may arise if adding/replacing a panel with the latest firmware onto a networked system with earlier firmware. Some features of the new firmware may be disabled/unavailable to ensure smooth compatibility with the panels with earlier firmware. If the latest features are required, the other panels on the network must be replaced. Should there be any technical problems with SigTEL Compact, contact SigNET Technical Support for assistance.

## 21 Installation and Commissioning Certificate

Before the system and the Operator Instructions are handed over to the responsible person on site, the following certificate should be completed by the installer, or commissioning engineer.

### **Certificate for the EVCS at:**

Address:

I/we being the person(s) responsible (as indicated by my/our signatures below) for the supply, installation and commissioning of the EVCS, particulars of which are set out below, certify that the system complies to the best of my/our knowledge and belief with the recommendations of BS5839-9, except for the variations, if any, stated in this certificate.

Name (in block letters):

Position:

Signature:

Date:

For and on behalf of:

Address:

Postcode:

The extent of liability of the signatory is limited to the system described below.

Variations (see BS5839-9, Clause 6): .....

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All equipment operates correctly.

The following documents have been provided to the purchaser or user:

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'As fitted' drawings.

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Operating and maintenance instructions.

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Sufficient representatives of the user have been properly instructed in the use of the system.

### **Maintenance**

It is strongly recommended that, after completion, the system is tested, inspected and serviced in accordance with section five of BS5839-9.

The user should appoint a responsible person to supervise all matters pertaining to the EVCS in accordance with the recommendations of section six of BS 5839-9.

## 22 Terms and Definitions

For these instructions the following terms and definitions apply:

### **desk control unit**

a 224 line desk unit that controls the EVCS and can communicate with up to 224 Type A and Type B outstations. Up to 14 units can be installed on a network by connecting to a Network Communications Card (ECU723) fitted inside an MCU wall unit. Part number: ECU-224.

### **disabled persons toilet alarm (DPTA) interface**

DPTA interfacing is a secondary function to the primary purpose of the system which is to act as an EVCS. Toilet alarms can only be reset at the alarm point and cannot be reset by the EVCS. DPTA part number: NC951.

### **disabled refuge system**

type of EVCS. A disabled refuge system that connects Type B outstations to a wall controller and is used during a fire emergency by untrained people to communicate with the control room.

### **emergency voice communication system (EVCS)**

a system that allows voice communication in either direction between an MCU wall unit, desk control unit and several outstations which are located at strategic points throughout a building.

### **extension line**

each MCU wall unit can handle either 16 extensions (ECU-16), eight extensions (ECU-8) or four extensions (ECU-4). One extension typically has one outstation (Type A or B) or a DPTA interface connected to it.

### **fire telephone system**

type of EVCS. A fire telephone system connects Type A outstations to a wall controller and is used by trained personnel and the fire service during a fire emergency to communicate with the control room.

### **line control unit (LCU)**

each LCU wall unit has eight extensions. On a networked system, up to 14 MCU and/or LCU can be installed. The LCU is identical to an MCU but does not have a handset mounted on its front panel. Part number: ECU-8NT.

### **master control unit (MCU)**

a wall unit that controls the EVCS. Each MCU wall unit has either 16 extensions (ECU-16), eight extensions (ECU-8) or four extensions (ECU-4). On a networked system, up to 14 MCU and/or LCU can be installed. The MCU has a handset mounted on its front panel. Part number: ECU-16, ECU-8 or ECU-4.

### **network master**

a wall or desk control unit on a network that currently has control over the EVCS, i.e. the 'master'. Any other control unit on a network acts as a repeater. The current master unit can give control to any repeater unit by entering a security PIN code. There can only be one master unit at any time on a network.

### **network repeater**

a wall or desk control unit that forms part of a networked EVCS. They repeat messages displayed at the current master unit and can take control from the master by entering a security PIN code.

### **outstation**

a unit located at a strategic point in a building, or building complex, that allows two-way voice conversation with a wall unit and desk control unit. There are two types: Type A and Type B (see below).

### **type A (fire telephone) outstation**

an outstation that uses a telephone-style handset for full-duplex voice communication. The outstation housing consists of a wall-mounted, key-lockable or pull-to-open, red steel cabinet with a plastic front door. Part numbers: EVC302RPO/EVC302RLK.

### **type B (disabled refuge) outstation**

an outstation with hands-free operation, a call/answer button, built-in microphone and loudspeaker. Half-duplex voice communication is employed and the outstation has a stainless steel front plate. Part numbers: EVC302S/EVC302GS or EVC302F/EVC302GF.



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