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## **GUIDELINES FOR ROUTING OF ANALOGUE LINEAR HEAT DETECTION CABLE (L.H.D.C)**

Before installing Linear Heat Detection Cables the following points should be observed:-

- 1) The cable should not be in contact with any material that can act as a heat sink and delay the sensing of temperature increase from the area being monitored.
- 2) The correct size and type of cable gland must be used on all junction boxes etc.
- 3) Due to the high impedance of the system, all connections at zone monitors, end of line units, junction boxes and interposing cable must be protected with silicone grease.
- 4) The cable should be installed so that it is not severely compressed and is not in contact with sharp objects that may damage the outer sheath.
- 5) The minimum bending radius is 10mm.
- 6) Cable ties shall not be used directly on the cable. The neoprene sleeve must be employed.
- 7) L.H.D.C. must not be over tensioned between supports especially at changes in direction.
- 8) The distance between supports shall be between 0.6 and 1.2 metres dependant on fixing positions available.
- 9) The routing of L.H.D.C. shall be chosen to avoid contact or close proximity with any local sources of heat e.g. light fixings, steam pipes etc.
- 10) The minimum number of joints should be made in any zone and these connections should be in the recommended Patol junction box. P/N 700506.
- 11) Adjacent zones should overlap by a minimum of 6cm.
- 12) Approved fixing clips and brackets shall be used.
- 13) All interposing cables shall have a screen/braid/sheath/armour as part of its construction, and this should be connected to earth to improve RFI and EMI immunity.

## **SPECIAL GUIDELINES FOR CABLE WAY PROTECTION**

In addition to the recommendations in 1-13 above the following should also be observed: -

- 14) L.H.D.C. should be installed to cover each cable tray or ladder rack intended for supporting cables.
- 15) L.H.D.C. should be installed such that it can rapidly respond to heat convected and/or radiated from any source. In general it should be between 150mm to 200mm vertically above the cables that are to be protected.
- 16) Generally one run of L.H.D.C. should be provided centrally above each level of tray or ladder rack with a further run of cable below the bottom level.
- 17) On short lengths of vertical racking, used for carrying cables between horizontals, L.H.D.C. shall be located across the top of the rising group of cables in a similar manner to the horizontal racks/trays.

## **SPECIAL GUIDELINES FOR SPACE PROTECTION ON CEILINGS**

In addition to the recommendation in 1-13 above the following should be observed:-

- 18) L.H.D.C. should in general be spaced on the ceiling above the area to be monitored such that the cable is no more than 2 metres away from any zone boundary or wall and no more than 9 metres between adjacent runs.
- 19) L.H.D.C. should not transverse other zones to reach control equipment or end of line units, an interposing cable should be used.
- 20) L.H.D.C should be installed such that it is between 25mm and 150mm from the ceiling.

## **NOTE**

The above are general recommendations for guidance only, there may be conditions at site or client requirements where some of the above criteria need to be varied.