

Technology that saves lives

Field Configurable Ceiling Strobes

Genesis Series



Overview

Genesis life safety and mass notification/emergency communications (ECS/MNS) ceiling strobes are small, compact, and attractive visible emergency signaling devices. Protruding no more than 1.6" (41 mm) from the ceiling, Genesis strobes blend with any decor.

Thanks to patented breakthrough technology, Kidde Genesis strobes do not require bulky specular reflectors and lenses. Instead, an exclusive cavity design conditions light to produce a highly controlled distribution pattern. Significant development efforts employing this new technology have given rise to a new benchmark in strobe performance – FullLight technology.

FullLight strobe technology produces a smooth light distribution pattern without the spikes and voids characteristic of specular reflectors. This ensures the entire coverage area receives consistent illumination from the strobe flash. As a result, Genesis strobes with FullLight technology go well beyond the minimum UL-required "cross" pattern, significantly exceeding UL-1971 and ULC-S526 light distribution requirements.

Depending on the model, clear lens Genesis ceiling strobes feature 15 to 95, or 95 to 177 candela output (see ordering information), which is selectable with a conveniently-located switch. The candela output setting remains clearly visible even after final installation, yet it is locked in place to prevent unauthorized movement after installation.

Genesis ECS/MNS appliances offer emergency signaling with clear amber or blue lenses. They are ideal for applications that require differentiation between life safety and mass notification alerts.

Standard Features

• Field configurable - no need to remove the device!

- 15/30/75/95 cd and 95/115/150/177 cd clear strobe lens models available
- Switch settings remain visible even after the unit is installed

• ECS/MNS models available

Amber and blue lens models available.
See Ordering Information for details.

Unique low-profile design

- 30 per cent slimmer profile than comparable signals
- Attractive appearance
- No visible mounting screws
- Available with white or red housings

Easy to install

- Fits all standard 4" square electrical boxes with plenty of room behind the signal for extra wire – no extension ring or trim plate needed
- #18 to #12 AWG terminals ideal for long runs or existing wiring

Unparalleled performance

- Exclusive FullLight strobe technology produces the industry's most even light distribution
- Precision timing electronics meet tough synchronizing standards for strobes
- Low current draw minimizes system overhead

Approved for public and private mode applications

- UL 1971-listed as signaling devices for the hearing impaired
- UL 1638-listed as protective visual signaling appliances
- UL/ULC listed for ceiling or wall use

Application

Genesis strobes are UL 1971 or 1638 listed for indoor use. Prevailing codes require strobes to be used where ambient noise conditions exceed specified levels, where occupants use hearing protection, and in areas of public accommodation. Consult with your Authority Having Jurisdiction for details.

All Genesis strobes exceed UL synchronization requirements (within 10 milliseconds over a two-hour period) when used with a synchronization source. Synchronization for multiple strobe lights in a single field of view is required.

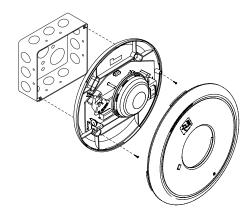
ECS/MNS Applications

Genesis ECS/MNS appliances bring the same high-performance life safety features and unobtrusive design to mass notification applications. Available as standard units with clear, amber or blue lenses with optional ALERT markings, they are ideal for applications that require differentiation between life safety and ECS/MNS signals. Units are also available (special order) with red or green lenses.

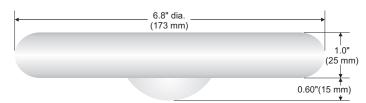
Installation

All models are intended for indoor applications only. Strobes mount to any flush North-American 4" square electrical box, 21/8" (54 mm) deep.

Genesis ceiling strobes simply unlatch and twist to open. This gains access to mounting screws and the selectable candela switch. The shallow depth of Genesis devices leaves ample room behind the signal for extra wiring. Once installed with the cover in place, no mounting screws are visible.

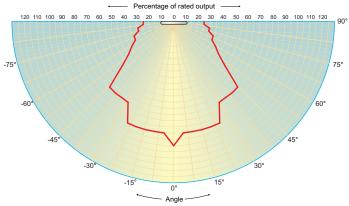


Dimensions



Light output (effective cd)

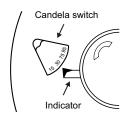
Percent of UL rating versus angle



Horizontal and vertical outputs reflect the same pattern

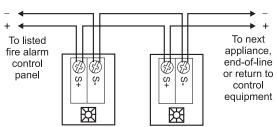
Field Configuration

Depending on the model, Genesis ceiling speaker-strobes have multi-candela output (see ordering information). The output setting is changed by simply opening the device and sliding the switch to the desired setting. The strobe does not have to be removed to change the output setting. The setting remains visible through a small window on the front of the device after the cover is closed.



Wiring

Field wiring terminals accommodate #18 to #12 AWG (0.75 mm² to 2.5 mm²) wiring. Strobes are interconnected with a single pair of wires as shown below.



WARNING: These devices will not operate without electrical power. As fires frequently cause power interruptions, we suggest you discuss further safeguards with your local fire protection specialist.

Current Draw

Light output switch settings for UL 1971 listed models are selectable by numeric candela value. ECS/MNS appliances are selectable by A, B, C, or D designations.

Standard output models (mA)							
UL	"15" or "D"	"30" or "C"	"75" or "B"	"95" or "A"			
Rating	RMS	RMS	RMS	RMS			
16 Vdc	109	151	281	318			
16 Vfwr	131	194	379	437			

High Output models (mA)						
"95" or "D" "115" or "C" "150" or "B" "177" or "A"						
RMS	RMS	RMS	RMS			
330	392	502	565			
432	518	643	693			

Standard output models (mA)							
Typical	"15" or "D"	"30" or "C"	"75" or "B"	"95" or "A"			
Current	RMS	RMS	RMS	RMS			
16 Vdc	94	140	273	325			
20 Vdc	74	108	205	244			
24 Vdc	63	90	168	194			
33 Vdc	48	70	124	139			
16 Vfwr	126	187	368	403			
20 Vfwr	108	156	281	333			
24 Vfwr	97	139	240	270			
33 Vfwr	89	119	197	214			

High output models (mA)							
"95" or "D"	"115" or "C" "150" or "B" "177" or "A"						
RMS	RMS	RMS	RMS				
333	392	499	551				
259	303	378	429				
212	245	306	342				
155	180	211	236				
484	570	673	724				
380	438	537	604				
318	361	434	484				
245	269	308	338				

Light Output

Standard output models

Lens color	Lietinge	Switch Settings (candela)					
	Listings Standard	Setting A	Setting B	Setting C	Setting D		
Clear	UL 1971	95 cd	75 cd	30 cd	15 cd		
Amber	UL 1638	82 cd	65 cd	26 cd	13 cd		
Blue	UL 1638	40 cd	31 cd	12 cd	6 cd		

High output models

Lens	Listings	Switch Settings (candela)					
color	Standard	Setting A	Setting B	Setting C	Setting D		
Clear	UL 1971	177 cd	150 cd	115 cd	95 cd		
Amber	UL 1638	155 cd	130 cd	100 cd	82 cd		
Blue	UL 1638	80 cd	78 cd	59 cd	48 cd		

Specifications

Housing	Textured UV stabilized, color impregnated engineered plastic. Exceeds 94V-0 UL flammability rating. Red and white models available.
Lens	Optical grade polycarbonate (clear).
Mounting	Flush mount to North American 4-inch square electrical box, 2-1/8 (54 mm) inches deep. No extension ring required. Suitable for indoor wall or ceiling applications.
Wire Connections	Screw terminals: #18 to #12 AWG (0.75 mm² to 2.5 mm²) wire size.
Operating Voltage	Regulated 16 to 33 Vdc, 16 to 33 Vfwr.
Operating environment	Indoor: 32-120° F (0-49° C) ambient temperature; 0-93% relative humidity.
Agency listings/ approvals	Meets or exceeds year 2004 UL requirements for standards UL1638 and UL1971 and Canadian requirements for standards CAN/ULC S526-02 and CAN/ULC S524-01. All models comply with ADA Code of Federal Regulation Chapter 28 Part 36 Final Rule. CSFM, MEA, FM.
Strobe output rating Clear: Amber: Blue:	UL 1971, UL 1638, ULC S526: selectable 15/30/75/95 cd (GC-VM) and 95/115/150/177 cd (GC-VMH) CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 205, CAN/ULC-S526, UL 1638: selectable 13/26/65/82 cd (GCW*-VMA), 82/100/130/155 cd (GCW*-VMHA) CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 205, CAN/ULC-S526, UL 1638: selectable 6/12/31/40 cd (GCW*-VMB), 48/59/78/80 cd (GCW*-VMHB)
Strobe operating voltage	GC-VM series strobes: non-coded, filtered 16-33 Vdc or unfiltered 16-33 Vdc FWR.
Strobe flash rate	GC-VM series strobes: one flash per second synchronized with optional EG1M Genesis Signal Master indefinitely within 10 milliseconds. Temporal setting (private mode only): synchronized to temporal output of Genesis audible signals on same circuit.
Synchronization	Meets or exceeds UL 1971 requirements. Maximum allowed resistance between any two devices is 20 Ohms. Refer to specifications for the synchronization control module, this strobe, and the control panel to determine allowed wire resistance.
Synchronization Sources	GSA-CC1S, GSA-MCC1S, SIGA-CC2A, GSA-MCC2A, EG1M-RM, MIRBPS6A, MIRBPS10A, APS6A, APS10A, VS Series, Fireshield Plus 5 and 10 zone.



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Ordering Information

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Model	Housing	Marking	Lens	Strobe	Ship Wt.		
Life safety Appliances (c/w running man icon screen printed on housing)							
GC-VM	White	None		0-11-1-1-			
GCF-VM	White	"FIRE"		Selectable - 15, 30, 75, or 95 cd Clear	Selectable	4.0.11	
GCFR-VM	Red	"FIRE"			1.8 lb. (0.82 kg.)		
GC-VMH	White	None		Selectable high output	(0.02 kg.)		
GCF-VMH	White	"FIRE"		95, 115, 150, or 177 cd			

ECS/MNS Appliances (no running man icon on housing)

GCWA-VMA		"Alert"	Amber	Selectable A, B, C, D				
GCWA-VMC			Clear					
GCWN-VMA		None	Amber		1.8 lb. (0.82 kg.)			
GCWN-VMB	White		Blue					
GCWN-VMC			Clear					
GCWA-VMHA		"Alert"	Amber	Selectable high output A, B, C or D				
GCWA-VMHC			Clear					
GCWN-VMHA			Amber					
GCWN-VMBH		None	Blue					
GCWN-VMHC			Clear					

