

CURRENT FIXED SWITCHES SERIES

Installation & Operation Instructions Part # A/CS2, A/CSX2, A/SCS2, A/SCS2-L, A/SCSX2 Phone: 1-888-967-5224 Website: workaci.com

PRECAUTIONS

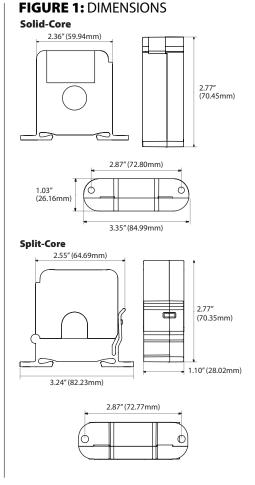
- This product is not intended to be used for Life or Safety applications.
- This product is not intended for use in any hazardous or classified locations.
- The A/CS2 and A/SCS2 Series Current Switches must be used on Insulated Conductors Only.

HIGH VOLTAGE

- Disconnect and lock out all power sources before installation as severe injury or death may result from electrical shock due to contact with high voltage wires.
- Never rely on the Red LED to determine whether power is present at the current switch. At very low monitored input currents the Red LED may not light to indicate the current is above the trip point.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The ACI Fixed "Status" Current switches are designed for use in any AC current monitoring application in which you are looking for a "Go/No Go" or On/Off status for a particular piece of equipment. The current switches should be installed on the line side of the power to the motor, pump, compressor or other equipment. The current switches are available in both solid and split-core versions which also includes a Patented 35 mm Din Rail mounting foot for easy installation in panel mount applications. The fixed current status switches can also be used to determine the run time of your equipment and basic load trending



applications where you want to know when your piece of equipment runs and for how long it runs for when logging the contact closures on your building management system or PLC.

INSTALLATION

Ensure all installations are in compliance with all national and local electrical codes. Only qualified individuals that are familiar with codes, standards, and proper safety procedures for high-voltage installations should attempt installation. The current switches will not require external power because the power for the current switch is induced from the conductor being monitored.



The current switch may be mounted in any position using the two $\#8 \times 3/4$ " Tek screws and the mounting holes in the base, or snapped directly on to the 35mm DIN rail (See **Figure 3**). Leave a minimum distance of 1" (3 cm) between the current switch and any other magnetic devices such as contactors and transformers.

Latch Operation for A/SCS2 Series

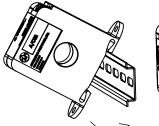
Press down on the side tab and swing the top of the unit up to open the split core current switch as shown in **Figure 2**. Press down firmly on the cover to close the current switch. An audible "click" will be heard as the tab slides over the tongue on the base.

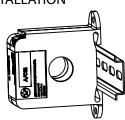
CAUTION: Mating surfaces of the magnetic core are exposed when the sensor is open. Electrical contact grease, present on the cores to prevent corrosion, can capture grit and dirt if care is not exercised. Operation can be impaired if anything prevents good contact between pole pieces. Visually check the mating parts of the core before closing the current sensor.

LED

The Red LED will indicate whether the current is above (LED On) or below (LED Off) the fixed trip point. At very low monitored input currents the Red LED may not light to indicate the current is above the trip point.

FIGURE 3: DIN RAIL INSTALLATION





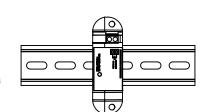
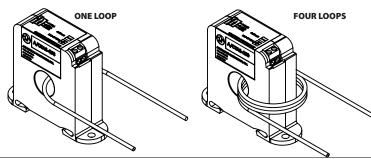


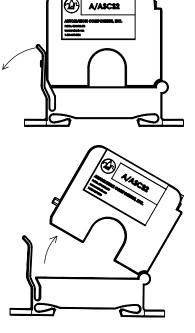
FIGURE 4: WIRES THROUGH SENSORS



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FIGURE 2: OPENING A/SCS2 SERIES





APPLICATION NOTES

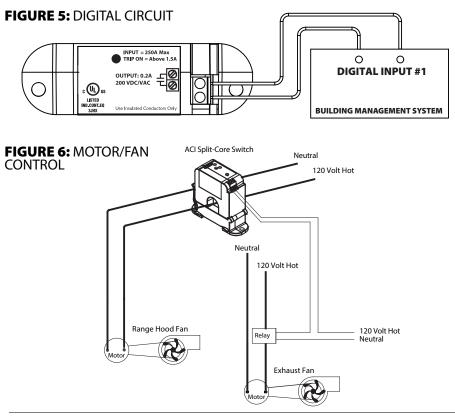
The conductor being monitored may be looped through the sensor multiple times. The loops increase the current measured by the current switch. Each time the conductor passes through the current switch window equals one loop (See Figure 4 p. 2). To determine the proper number of loops required, take the rated Fixed Trip Point of the current switch and divide it by the Operating Current of the Monitored Device, add one (1), then round up to the nearest whole number. Example: When using the A/CS2, a small fan operating at 0.1A should be wrapped through the sensor four times to give you a total operating current of 0.4 Amps flowing through the A/CS2. Formula Example: (0.25A/0.1A) = 2.5 + 1 = 3.5, which rounded up equals 4 loops.

WIRING INSTRUCTIONS

ACI recommends the use of a two conductor 16 to 22 AWG shielded cable or twisted pair copper wire only, for all current switch applications. A maximum wire length of less than 30 meters (98.4 feet) should be used between the current switch and the Building Management System or controller.

Note: When using a shielded cable, be sure to connect only (1) end of the shield to ground at the controller. Connecting both ends of the shield to ground may cause a ground loop. When removing the shield from the sensor end, make sure to properly trim the shield to prevent any chance of shorting.

The current switch output terminals represent a solid-state switch for controlling both AC and DC loads and are not polarity sensitive. Tighten the screws at the terminal block connections to the recommended torque of 0.5 to 0.6 Nm (4.43 to 5.31 in-lbs.). The aperture (hole) size of the current switch is 0.75" (1.90 cm).





APPLICATION EXAMPLES

See **Figure 5** (p.3) and **Figure 6** (p.3) for two different current switch applications. **Figure 5** (p.3) is showing the use of the Go/No Go Current Switch as a Digital Input to your BAS/PLC Controller. **Figure 6** (p.3) shows a Go/No/Go Current Switch in conjunction with a Contactor to control an exhaust fan.

Note: The ACI Go/No Go Current switches are only rated at 0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC and must use an additional Contactor if controlling motor/fans.

TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	SOLUTION(S)
LED is on but the current switch didn't	Disconnect the wires from the current switch output. Measure the resistance
activate	across the contacts with an Ohmmeter. See Standard Ordering Table (p.5) for
	the actual resistance readings for an open or closed switch reading.
LED didn't turn on and the current switch	Verify that the current flowing in the conductor being monitored is above
didn't activate	the fixed trip point as listed in the operating specifications. If the sensor is
	monitoring less than the fixed trip point, see Figure 3 .
LED not on but the Current Switch is	LED not indicating correctly, may have been damaged.
Activated	
Current Switch is operating at a low-level	For A/SCS2 Series, visually check the mating parts of the core to ensure there
current or failing to perate withing the	is no debris between the split contacts. Remove all debris or dust manually
accuracy specifications	and close the current sensor, see Figure 2. Retest the sensor in your
	application.

WARRANTY

The ACI Current Switch Series are covered by ACI's Five (5) Year Limited Warranty, which is located in the front of ACI'S SENSORS & TRANSMITTERS CATALOG or can be found on ACI's website: www.workaci.com.

W.E.E.E. DIRECTIVE

At the end of their useful life the packaging and product should be disposed of via a suitable recycling centre. Do not dispose of with household waste. Do not burn.



PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

SENSOR NON-SPECIFIC INFORMATION	
Monitored Current Type:	AC Current
Maximum AC Voltage:	600 VAC
Operating Frequency Range:	40 to 1 kHz
Core Style:	Solid-Core and Split-Core Versions available (See Ordering Grid)
Sensor Power:	Induced from the Monitored Conductor
Amperage Range:	See Ordering Grid
Isolation Voltage:	2200 VAC
Trip Point Style Trip Point:	Fixed Trip Point See Ordering Grid
Contact Type:	Normally-Open "N/O" or Normally-Closed "N/C" (See ordering Grid)
"Status" Contact Rating:	0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC
"Status" Contact "On" Resistance	< 10 Ohms (tripped) > 1 Meg Ohms (Open)
"Off" Resistance:	
Status LED Indication ¹ :	Red LED (Monitored current is above Trip Point)
Aperture Size:	0.75″ (19.05 mm)
Din Rail Size:	35 mm (U.S. Patent No. 7,416,421)
Operating Temperature Range:	5 to 104°F (-15 to 40°C)
Operating Humidity Range:	0 to 95%, non-condensing
Wiring Connections:	2 Position Screw Terminal Block (Not Polarity Sensitive)
Wire Size:	16 to 22 AWG (1.31 mm ² to 0.33 mm ²) Copper Wires only
Terminal Block Torque Rating:	4.43 to 5.31 in-lbs. (0.5 to 0.6 Nm)
Minimum Mounting Distance:	1" (2.6 cm) between current switch (Relays, Contactors, Transformers)

Note1: The LED should not be used to determine if current is present. At low currents the LED may not be visible

STANDARD ORDERING

Model #	ltem #	Trip Point Type	N/O	N/C	Solid-Core	Split-Core	Amp Range	Trip Point	Contact Rating
A/CS2	142340	Fixed Trip Point	•		•		0 to 250A	0.25A or less	0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC
A/CSX2	142359	Fixed Trip Point		•	•		0 to 250A	0.25A or less	0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC
A/SCS2	142358	Fixed Trip Point	•			•	0 to 250A	1.5A or less	0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC
A/SCSX2	142357	Fixed Trip Point		•		•	0 to 250A	1.5A or less	0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC
A/SCS2-L	142356	Fixed Trip Point	•			•	0 to 250A	0.5A or less	0.2A @ 200 VAC/VDC

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