

MODEL 120 SPARK DETECTOR

The 120 Infrared Spark Detector is a high speed, ultra sensitive optical radiant energy sensor designed to detect small sparks or particles of burning or smoldering material being transported in pneumatic conveying ducts.

Spark Detectors are distinguished by three performance features:

- Spark Detectors are extremely sensitive to very small quantities of radiant energy.
- Their response is faster than any other type of detector.
- They are optimized for the near infrared part of the spectrum.



FEATURES

- Response less than 1 millisecond
- Sensitivity 100 nanowatts
- Broad Spectral Response
- Rugged physical design
- Wide field of view - 100°
- Easy mounting
- Smooth surface to help self-clean
- FM APPROVED

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PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The 120 Infrared Spark Detector is sensitive to radiation in the wavelength from 0.4 microns to 1.1 microns. It is most sensitive in the near infrared band centered on 1.0 micron. When a spark or glowing ember enters the field of view of the detector, the detector responds by sending an alarm signal to the control equipment. Most applications require two detectors, 180 degrees apart from each other. A single detection point can not monitor the entire cross section of a pneumatic duct; therefore two detectors are employed. Detectors mounted 180 degrees apart also help to facilitate “through the lens” testing from one detector to the other.

SENSITIVITY TESTING

When used with a Hansentek Control Panel, two 120 detectors can manually or automatically perform a functional sensitivity test under actual operating conditions – across the entire width of the duct and through both lenses.



DETECTOR INSTALLATION

The detectors provide a smooth surface when mounted on the pneumatic ducts. The smooth surface of the detector on the inside of the duct promotes self cleaning of the lens to help reduce maintenance requirements. This prevents the build up of dust on and around the lens and eliminates the problem of foreign objects such as dust masks from catching on mounting screws.



Flanges and mounting hardware are provided with the detectors. The flush mount flange can be mounted from the inside of the duct or mounted through a blind hole from the outside of the duct with the use of a special tool. Detectors are easily removed from the ducts for inspection or cleaning. And the removable, waterproof connector makes servicing and installation a breeze.