

FLEXPOWER®

APPLICATION NOTE AN-26 VOLTAGE DISTRIBUTION OPTIONS

OVERVIEW

Power distribution options - selecting what's best for your application.

FLEXPOWER offers four levels of distribution board sophistication, from basic fused outputs, up through fully network managed with individual output control.

Choosing the correct distribution option for your application allows you to simplify your system, reduce installation labor and time, and offer the most flexibility to you and your customer.

This application note covers the differences between the various LifeSafety Power distribution modules in the **FLEXPOWER** system and when each should be used.



LEVEL 1 - BASIC DISTRIBUTION

This level consists of the basic distribution boards that convert one or two single power supply outputs into eight (8) individually protected outputs using either fuses or PTCs for Class II, power limiting.

DC Distribution

D8 - 8 fused outputs at 3A each

D8P - 8 class II power limited outputs at 2.5A each

The D8 provides 8 outputs for DC voltage applications. There are no control functions provided by the D8 board, however in single voltage applications, the D8 may be used to distribute the DC2 output of an FPO power supply for basic FAI functions. Each output may then be selected for constant or fire alarm controlled. All FAI controlled outputs will either drop on fire alarm, or power up on fire alarm.

See App note AN17 and AN18 for more information.

APPLICATIONS

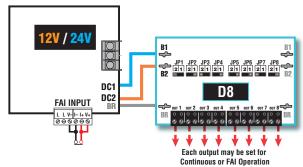
Single Voltage

- Access Control Panel Power
- REX Devices
- Readers
- DC Cameras
- Locks w/FAI (when using the Access Panel's control relay)
- Other FAI or non-FAI devices

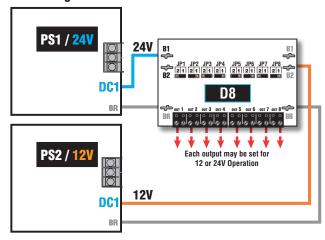
Dual Voltage

- Access Control Panel Power
- REX Devices
- Readers
- DC Cameras
- · Locks without FAI (when using the Access Panel's control relay)
- Other non-FAI devices

Single Voltage DC Distribution



Dual Voltage DC Distribution



AC Distribution

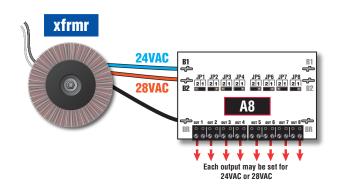
A8 - 8 fused outputs at 3A each

A8P - 8 class II power limited outputs at 2.5A each

The A8 provides 8 outputs for *AC voltage applications*. There are no control functions on the A8 board.

APPLICATIONS

- AC Cameras
- Single port AC PoE Midspan
- Other AC powered devices



LEVEL 2 - FAI CONTROLLED DISTRIBUTION

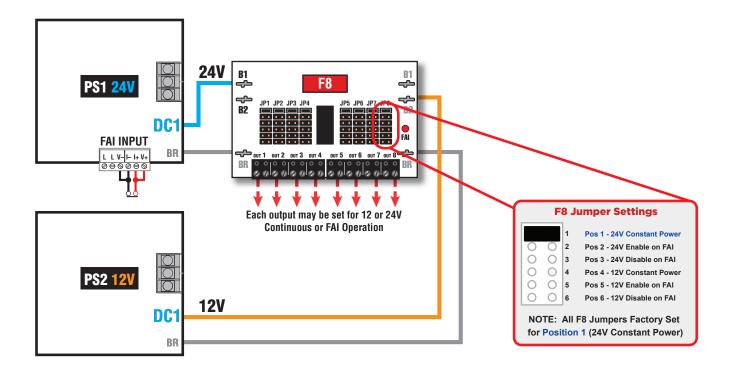
This level consists of FAI controlled power distribution without individual zone control inputs. Each output is individually selectable for constant output, enable on FAI or disable on FAI. Each output is also selectable for either voltage in dual voltage applications.

F8 - 8 fused outputs at 3A each

F8P - 8 class II power limited outputs at 2.5A each

APPLICATIONS

- Mixed Locks w/FAI (when using the Access Panel's control relay)
- Door Holders
- Smoke Dampers
- Other FAI or non-FAI devices



LEVEL 3 - LOCK CONTROL DISTRIBUTION

This level consists of relay control output distribution. Each input and output can be individually set for fail-secure with or without FAI control. Outputs may also be set for a constant output or even a dry contact output. Each output may also be individually set for either voltage in dual voltage applications. Note: Dry contact mode may only be used after removing lock transient protection diodes (see manual).

C4 - 4 fused outputs at 3A each

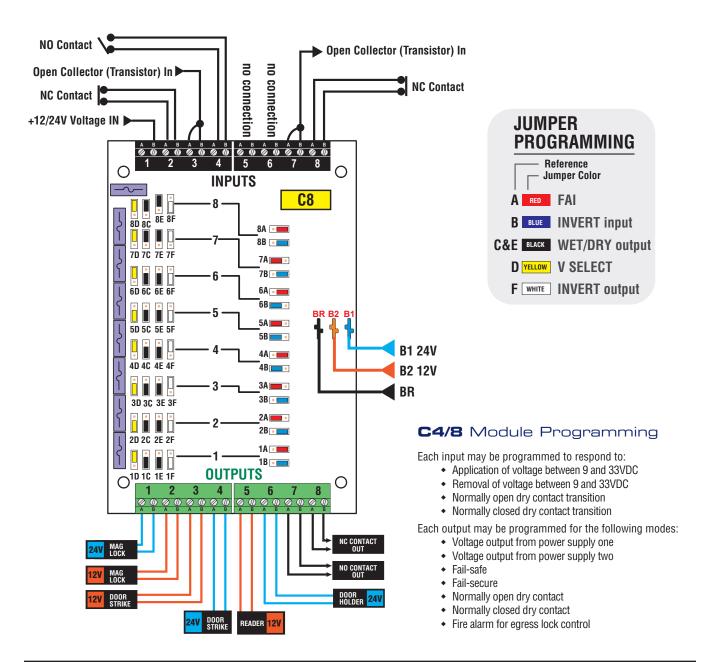
C4P - 4 class II power limited outputs at 2.5A each

C8 - 8 fused outputs at 3A each

C8P - 8 class II power limited outputs at 2.5A each

APPLICATIONS

- Mag Locks
- Door Strikes
- · Other FAI or non-FAI devices



LEVEL 4 - FULLY MANAGED OUTPUTS

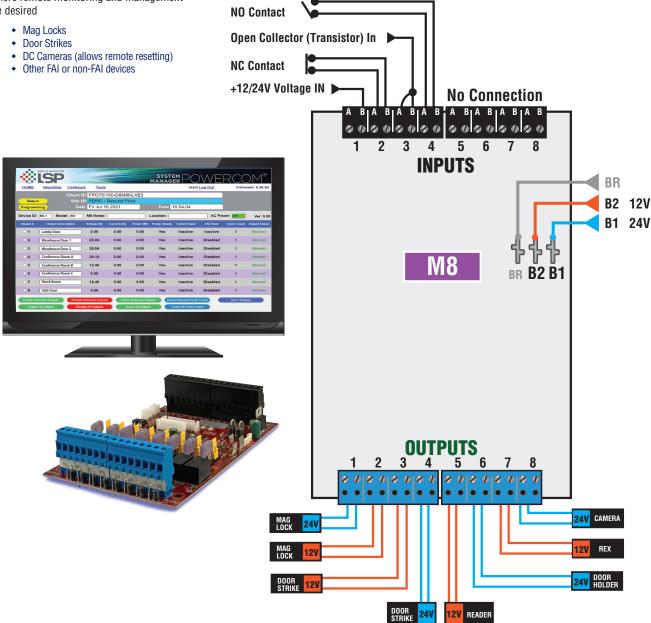
This level consists of managed relay control output distribution. The M8 provides the same functionality as the C8, but adds full network monitoring, configuration, and management. Each output can be monitored for voltage and current out of range and cycle count. Remote disabling of any or all outputs is possible for resetting of frozen IP Cameras or EDGE devices. M8 must be used with the NetLink NL4 or NLX communication module.

M8 - 8 fused outputs at 3A each

M8P - 8 class II power limited outputs at 2.5A each

APPLICATIONS

Where remote monitoring and management are desired



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