



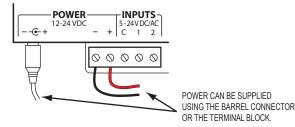
# Quick-Start Guide Flex 2 PN: 211

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# Power Supply



# Selecting your Power Supply

The Flex requires a 12 or 24 volt DC power supply. The power terminals on the terminal block are directly connected to the barrel connector, so you can also use it to supply or borrow power.

# Sizing Your Power Supply

To size a supply you must calculate for the worst-case scenario. Add up the wattage for the most outputs that will be on at any one time, then add 2 watts for the Flex. Note that the Flex can't drive more than 5 amps of current total. That equates to 60 watts at 12 volts or 120 watts at 24 volts.

Example:

2 watts Flex

- + 18 watts 3 x 6 watt solenoids
- + 1 watt LED Light
- = 21 watts Total Need at least 21 watts

# Solid-State Outputs



# About Solid-State Outputs

Solid-state outputs are great for reliably controlling relays, solenoids, and LED lights. They cannot be used to directly control high-current, 110 volt, or contact-closure devices like a relay can. However, unlike relays, they have no moving parts that wear out over time. Use external mechanical or solid-state relays for high current or high voltage loads. This will result in a highly reliable and maintainable system.

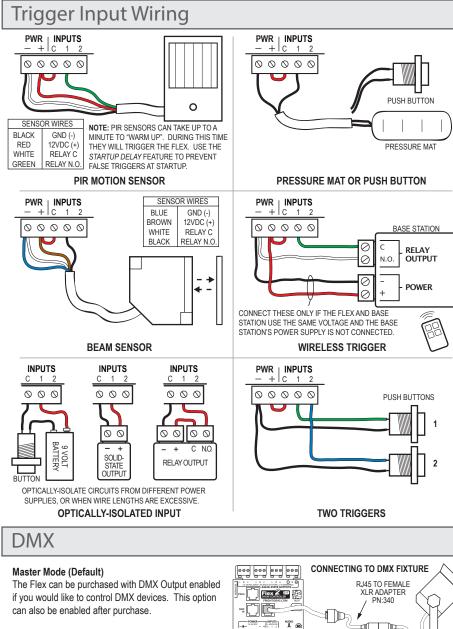
## **Dimmable Outputs**

Outputs 7 & 8 can be used to control the brightness of LEDs or small DC bulbs.

# Solid-State Output Ratings

Each solid-state output can handle 1.5 amps of current steady, or 2.5 amps in short bursts. The total current on all outputs totalled together must not exceed 5 amps. Each output is protected from shorts and overloads.

#### Solid-State Output Wiring Diagrams 0 12/24 VDC 12/24 VDC 12/24 VDC MUST BE 1.5A OR LESS DEVICE DEVICE DEVICE (18W at 12V, 36W at 24V) 000 $\odot$ TO WALL TAKE APPROPRIATE $\circ \circ \circ$ 12/24 VDC 12/24 VDC OUTLET EXAMPLES OF DEVICES COMPATIBLE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS + 2 1 + DEVICE DEVICE -WITH SOLID-STATE OUTPUTS: >500mA WHEN WIRING HIGH NO NO FLEX RELAY LED LIGHTS, SOLENOIDS, RELAYS. VOLTAGES. 12/24 VDC 12/24 VDC ANY 12/24 VDC LOAD UNDER 1.5A. 12 N.O. DEVICE RELAY COIL RELAY GND 24V - + 000 00 000 000 00 000 6 00 $\circ \circ \circ$ + 2 3 + 2 3 ANY 12 OR 24 VDC DEVICE FOUR 12 OR 24 VDC DEVICES 12 OR 24 VDC DEVICE > 1.5 AMPS ANY 110 VOLT LOAD BLUE = FAST °o° GREEN = SLOW TO WALL FOG MACHINE \_\_\_\_\_ OUTLET TO 12 VDC POWER FOG SI IPPI V PN:308B SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR A 000 000 000 000 0 000 000 000 2 CABLE SO YOU DON'T HAVE 0 000 000 2 TO HACK YOUR REMOTE. HIGH N.O.N.O.N.O.N. N.C N.C VOI TAGE OR RELAY BOARD RELAY 1. UNPLUG FOG MACHINE RELAY BOARD ADAPTER CABLE 2. OPEN REMOTE 0.0 N.C. N.C. C N.C N.C. PN:302 3. LOCATE FOG BUTTON PINS 00 000 000 4. SOLDER WIRES TO PINS 000 000 USE ONE OF OUR AC RELAY PACKS WHEN YOU HAVE A LOT $\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc$ 5. CONNECT AS SHOWN OF 110 VOLT DEVICES TO CONTROL. THE OUTPUTS ON THE USE OUR RELAY BOARD IF YOU NEED A FEW RELAYS TO POWER SUPPLY RELAY PACK WILL MIRROR THE OUTPUTS ON THE FLEX. TWO CAN BE LINKED TO GET 8 RELAYS USING A QUAD RELAY BOARD 12 VDC MOTOR IN FORWARD AND REVERSE FOG MACHINE AC RELAY PACK



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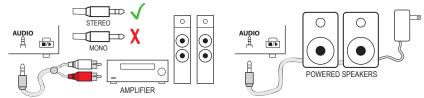
# Slave Mode

The Flex can be setup as a DMX slave to a FlexMax or any DMX master. The master can control the Flex's outputs and audio, or trigger scenes depending on the DMX mode.

# Connecting Speakers

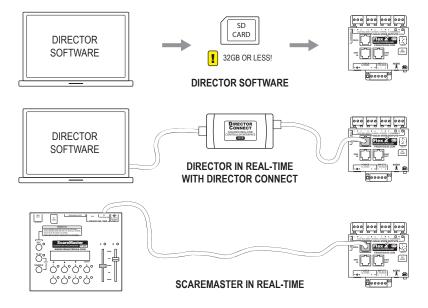
Audio

The Flex audio output is designed to connect to powered speakers or external amplifiers.



# Programming

Flexes can be easily programmed with our free Director software and an SD card. The Director Connect allows you to see your work in real-time, rather than having to save the program to an SD card first. The ScareMaster is a great real-time programming option for those who don't want to be tethered to a computer.



# Troubleshooting

The status LED indicates the current state at startup, during operation, and when an error occurs. See the Help menu in Director for the full list of LED states and error codes.

#### STARTUP OPERATION Firmware Check o Idle Firmware Updating Playing Scene Importing Show

 Connected to Director Connect or ScareMaster.

### AS A DMX SLAVE Good DMX Signal

No DMX Signal

CONNECTING TO DMX TERMINALS

DMX

PIN

CAT5 WIRE COLOR

ORANGE / WHITE

ORANGE

BRN & BRN / WH PAIR

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# ERROR CODES

- 1 & 🐱 x5 or 6 Firmware on chip corrupt. Update firmware.
- 1 & 🔆 x7 Firmware file on card corrupt. Re-export to card.
- 2 & x13 or 14 Invalid SD card. Must be 32GB or less.
- 2 & 🔆 x5 Out of Memory for Behaviors.
- 2 & \* x6 Behavior Exception. Try updating firmware.

For other errors please try to update firmware. If that doesn't resolve it, reach out to us at support@frightideas.com.