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Code Compliant Emergency Call Systems for 'Universal' & Barrier Free Restrooms

A Practical Guide for Equipment Specifiers and Installers

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Introduction

As an industry leading manufacturer of control, activation, annunciation and locking products that serve the accessibility needs of persons with disabilities, Camden Door Control is committed to providing new product and application guides that address the most current building code requirements.

This guide has been created to address the latest requirements of the Ontario Building Code (OBC), effective January 1, 2015. This code mandates the installation of emergency call systems in barrier-free and universal washrooms. Although the code requirements are only applicable to the province of Ontario, Canada, they can also be viewed as a model for emerging code requirements for emergency call systems in universal washrooms across North America.

The extensive range of information that is presented in this guide includes a summary of code requirements, the system components, a range of system design options, project specifications and point-to-point wiring schematics.

Camden offers a wide range of product solutions to meet the diverse requirements and preferences of consulting engineers and specification writers. This edition of our guide includes a number of new product enhancements and new products to serve the expanding market.

Codes & Standards

Before reviewing the code requirements for 'emergency call systems', it is necessary to understand the terms 'Barrier-Free' and 'Universal' washrooms.

Barrier-Free Washrooms are designed to be used by persons with physical or sensory disabilities. When specified by code, this requires an automatic door operator, activated by push plate or hands-free switches.

Universal Washrooms are washrooms that are designed to be usable by most people, regardless of their level of ability or disability. The term 'Universal Washroom' has come to replace the term 'Public Washroom'.

Washroom vs. Restroom: In the U.S., the word most commonly used term is 'restroom' whereas in Canada it is more commonly known as 'washroom'. As this guide is designed to serve all North American markets, both terms have been used.

OBC - Overview of Updated Requirements

On December 27, 2013, Ontario Regulation 368/13 was filed to amend the new 2012 Building Code.

The effective date of the amendment is January 1, 2015.

The amended requirements substantially enhances accessibility in newly constructed buildings, and existing buildings that are to be extensively renovated.

The Building Code requires barrier-free washrooms to be provided in public areas of most buildings. These washrooms must be situated on a barrier-free path of travel and are subject to a number of requirements addressing turning space, doorway widths, grab bars, counter heights and signage, among others.





New amendments update these requirements in a number of ways. Key changes include:

- Requirements for power door operators at the entrance door to all barrier-free and universal washrooms
- Universal washroom in all buildings in which a washroom is required.
- Multi-storey buildings must provide one universal washroom for every three floors. The location is not specified – this sets out the number, but leaves flexibility for designers to locate the universal washrooms where appropriate.

OBC – Regulation 368/13 Extract

3.8.3.12. Universal Washrooms

- (1) A universal washroom shall
 - b) have a door that is capable of being locked from the inside and released from the outside in case of emergency and that has,
 - (i) a graspable latch-operating mechanism located not less than 900 mm and not more than 1000 mm above the finished floor,
 - (iii) if it is an outward swinging door, a door closer, spring hinges or gravity hinges, so that the door closes automatically.
- (2) A universal washroom shall have,
 - (a) an emergency call system that consists of audible and visual signal devices inside and outside of the washroom that are activated by a control device inside the washroom, and
 - (b) an emergency sign that contains the words **IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY PUSH EMERGENCY BUTTON AND AUDIBLE AND VISUAL SIGNAL WILL ACTIVATE** in letters at least 25 mm high with a 5 mm stroke and that is posted above the emergency button.



CX-WEC Series Restroom Control Kits

Components

This section provides information for each of the control, activation and annunciation components that could be used in a universal washroom emergency call application. Each component in this section contains the Camden product model number, name/description, image, the general application and a project specification.

CM-450R/12 Mushroom Pushbutton



Application: Used as the activation and deactivation device of emergency call system signal appliances (visual and audio annunciation), inside restroom.

Add suffix 'F' to model number for French language.

Specification: The single gang, mushroom pushbutton switches to be used throughout the site/complex shall be CAMDEN DOOR CONTROLS model CM-450R/12. The pushbutton shall incorporate a large button at least 1.5" in diameter with push/pull, maintained action. The button shall be vandal resistant and have a free-spinning collar with a metal back ring. The switch shall be mountable in a single gang electrical box. The faceplate shall be heavy gauge stainless steel, brushed finish. Output contacts shall be rated 10 AMPS @ 30 VDC minimum. 'PUSH FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' verbiage shall be permanently laser engraved on the faceplate. This pushbutton shall be UL 61056-1, CAN/CSA-C22.2 compliant. This switch shall carry a 3 year warranty.

CM-AF501SO Single Gang LED Annunciator with Sounder



Application: Illuminated single gang LED annunciator, with built in adjustable sounder, specifically designed for inside restroom applications. The ability to lower the sounder dB is critically important in smaller restrooms with tiled surfaces, as this annunciator is only a confirmation signal device (not a notification device used outside the restroom). 'Assistance Requested' message label is not visible unless LED is lit.

Add suffix 'F' to model number for French language. Other message labels available upon request.

Specification: The single gang, LED illuminated annunciators, with adjustable sounder, to be used throughout the site/complex shall be CAMDEN DOOR CONTROLS model CM-AF501SO. The faceplate shall be constructed of heavy gauge stainless steel and shall have a 1 3/8" square LED illuminated message, visible only when lit. When not lit, the message shall not be readily legible. The LED illuminated annunciators shall be constructed so that the message cannot be scratched or removed by vandalism. The annunciator shall have a piezo sounder, rated not more than 85dB at 10cm, with adjustability to lower the sound level if required. The unit shall be supplied with 'Assistance Requested' message label. The unit shall be supplied with stainless steel Torx or snake eye security screws. The LED illuminated annunciators shall be 12V or 24V DC. The LED annunciator shall carry a 3 year warranty.





Application: This product combines the CM-450R mushroom 'PRESS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' push button and ASSISTANCE REQUESTED' CM-AF501SO LED annunciator in one double gang unit.

Add suffix 'F' to model number for French language.

Specification: The double gang mushroom pushbutton switch and LED annunciator to be used throughout the site/complex shall be CAMDEN DOOR CONTROLS model CM-AF540SO. The pushbutton shall incorporate a 1.5" in diameter button and shall be vandal resistant and have a free-spinning collar with a metal back ring. Output contacts shall be rated 10 AMPS @ 30 VDC minimum. 'PRESS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' text shall be permanently laser engraved. The pushbutton shall be UL 61056-1, CAN/CSA-C22.2 compliant. LED illuminated annunciator shall have a 1 3/8" square LED illuminated message, visible only when lit. When not lit, the message shall not be readily legible. The LED illuminated annunciators shall be constructed so that the message cannot be scratched or removed by vandalism. This unit shall carry a 3 year warranty.



CM-AF140 Series Single Gang LED Dome Light with Sounder

Application: Single gang LED dome light with built in sounder, designed for use outside the restroom. The LED dome light is weather and vandal resistant and offers 180° illumination, for visibility down corridors. 'ASSISTANCE REQUIRED' text is printed on the lens.

Add suffix 'F' to model number for French language. Add suffix 'BF' to model number for English & French Bilingual language.

Specification: The single gang, dome light and sounder to be used throughout the site/complex shall be CAMDEN DOOR CONTROLS model CM-AF140SO or CM-AF142SO (Multi-color). The dome light shall be LED illuminated. Incandescent illumination is not acceptable. The unit shall be weather resistant, for use outdoors, and vandal resistant. A white wedge shaped lens shall provide 180° visibility. 'ASSISTANCE REQUIRED' text shall be printed both sides of the lens. The unit shall have an adjustable piezo sounder, rated a min. 93dB. The LED dome light annunciators shall be 24V DC with a 3 year warranty.

Note: CM-AF142SO Multi-Color is easily wired using two of the four color-coded wires supplied; black, red, green and blue. Using the black wire as common, selecting one of three color wires to complete the circuit determines the Dome light color. The black wire lead and any one of the color coded wires can be connected to either an AC or DC power source supplying 12 or 24 volts.

CM-8010R/13 Momentary, 'Press for Reset' 1" Push Button Switch



Application: This switch provides a convenient reset of an emergency call system when utilizing momentary 'PRESS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' switches.

Specification: The emergency system reset push buttons used throughout the site or complex shall be Camden Door Controls, CM-8010R/13. The assembly shall be tamper and vandal resistant. The faceplate shall be made of 1/4" thick aluminum, and supplied with stainless steel Torx or snake eye-security screws. The red button must be encased in a protective metal housing. The button shall extend 1/4" from the protective metal housing, and protrude no more than 1" from the wall. Rating for all electrical contacts shall be a minimum of 6 amps @ 30 VDC. The switch used shall be a UL/CSA approved type. 'PRESS FOR RESET' text shall be permanently laser etched on the faceplate.

CM-1205/14 Momentary, 'W/C System Reset' Key Switch, with Cylinder & Keys



Application: This key switch provides a secure reset of an emergency call system when utilizing momentary 'PRESS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' switches.

Specification: The emergency call system reset key switches used throughout the site, or complex shall be Camden Door Controls, CM-1205/14. The key switches shall be single gang flush mounted with 18 gauge stainless steel faceplate. will incorporate a mounting platform for both the cylinder and switches, in a single piece construction. The switch component used will be a UL/CSA approved type, rated for 6A/30VDC. Switches are to be supplied with color coded soldered leads, encased in heat shrink tubing. 'Universal W/R' text shall be permanently laser etched on the faceplate. The key switch shall be supplied with CM-1000/60KD solid brass mortise cylinder and 2 keys.



CM-SE21A Sign IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY PUSH EMERGENCY BUTTON AND AUDIBLE AND VISUAL SIGNAL WILL ACTIVATE	Application: Instructional sign, located above the activation switch, inside restroom. Text is 'IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY PUSH EMERGENCY BUTTON AND AUDIBLE AND VISUAL SIGNAL WILL ACTIVATE'. Order CM-SF20A for French Language Optional self-adhesive vinyl signs in English (CM-SE21B) and French (CM-SF20B)
Specification: The emergency call system occupant notice sign used throughout the site/complex shall be CAMDEN DOOR CONTROLS model CM-SE21A. The sign is to be located above the activation switch and be 1/16" (1.6mm), 6" x 10 5/8", (152mm x 270mm), white, fire rated expanded PVC. The sign shall have 25mm red lettering. Text shall be; 'IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY PUSH EMERGENCY BUTTON AND AUDIBLE AND VISUAL SIGNAL WILL ACTIVATE'.	

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CX-WEC Series System Designs

This section provides detailed system design information for emergency call systems for universal restrooms. Camden offers two system kits: Each CX-WEC Series system is described with a block diagram and a sequence of operation.

CX-WEC10: Emergency Call System Kit

CX-WEC10BK2 Emergency Call System Kit with CM-AF540SO Combo and Multi-Color Dome Light

Stand alone emergency call system for universal washroom. Can also be installed with CX-WC11 and 13 barrier-free restroom control kits, for doors fitted with automatic operators.

For French language, add suffix 'F' to model #. For bilingual English/French, order CX-WEC10FE.



CX-WEC10 & CX-WEC10BK2 emergency call system for universal restrooms are designed to provide a washroom occupant with the ability to request emergency assistance, to receive visual and audible confirmation that their request has been made, and visual and audible notification to building staff and occupants outside the restroom of an emergency condition.

The 'PRESS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' mushroom push button is activated by the occupant. This energizes the LED annunciator and sounder inside the washroom, and the LED dome light with sounder outside the washroom. Both annunciators will be energized until the latching mushroom push button switch is pulled out.

CX-WEC10 & CX-WEC10BK2 universal restroom kits will provide emergency call system capability to a CX-WC11 and 13 barrier-free restroom control kit, where the door is equipped with an automatic door operator. These two systems are integrated via the door control relay, and may be powered with common power supplies.



CX-WEC12: Emergency Call System Kit – with Push Button System Reset

CX-WEC13: Emergency Call System Kit - with Key Switch System Reset

Emergency call system utilizing momentary 'press for emergency assistance' switches, stand alone or installed with Camden CX-WC11, 12, 13 or 14 barrier-free restroom control kits, for doors fitted with automatic operators.

CX-WEC12 and CX-WEC13 emergency call systems for universal restrooms are designed to provide a washroom occupant with the ability to request emergency assistance, utilizing a momentary switch (supplied by Camden or 3rd party) to receive visual and audible confirmation that their request has been made, and provide visual and audible notification to building staff and occupants outside the restroom of an emergency condition.

A 'PRESS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE' momentary switch is activated by the occupant. This energizes the LED annunciator and sounder within the washroom, and the dome light with sounder outside the washroom. The notification signal is reset by pressing a 'system reset' push button (CX-WEC 12 system kit) or turning a 'Universal W/R' reset key switch (CX-WEC13).

The CX-WEC12 universal restroom kit will provide emergency call system capability with a CX-WC11, 12, 13 and 14 barrier-free restroom control kit, where the door is equipped with an automatic door operator. These two systems are integrated via the door control relay, and may be powered with common power supplies.



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Project Specifications

Camden offers a complete set of project specifications, in Word doc. format, restroom control system designs contained in this guide. To obtain a copy, please contact Customer Service at 1 877 226-3369.

Point to Point Wiring Diagrams

















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