

# SOUNDER FLASHER BASE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION MANUAL

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## **Product Safety**

To prevent severe injury and loss of life or property, read the instructions carefully before installing the Sounder flasher base to ensure proper and safe operation of the system.



## **European Union directive**

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## EN54 Part 3 Compliance

NFA-T01SB Sounder Flasher Base complies with the requirements of EN 54-3:2014 + A1:2019



EN54 Standard Conformity Information



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## **1.Introduction**

### 1.1.Overview

The NFA-T01SB Sounder flasher base is an alarm warning device used to notify people in the vicinity of the occurrence fire emergency in order the person to take appropriate measures. The unit adopts multi-application device starting from the types, parameters and wiring layout in single unit. The NFA-T01SB Sounder flasher base is powered by the communication bus. The NFA-T01SB can change into different encoding modes such as Single-encoding Mode, Dual-encoding Mode 1 and Dual-encoding Mode 2 using a programming tool. And it has different starting modes such as started by a detector, a controller or other front-end linkage. In addition, the alarm tone can be configured according to the requirement from 17 different tones.

The unit manufactured based on the requirement of EN 54 part 3, European Standard. The unit is aesthetically pleasing with unobtrusive design that will complement modern building designs and its plug-in type assembles make installation and maintenance more convenient to the installer. The unit is compatible to the NFA-T04FP Intelligent Addressable Fire Alarm Control Panel, produced by single manufacture Norden, to avoid addressable communication compatibility problem.

#### 1.2.Feature and Benefits

- EN54-3 compliance
- Built-in MCU processor and digital addressing
- 17 tones Programmable sound output (Note:Tone 14. Tone 16 and Tone 17 are recognized by LPCB)
- Encoding modes such as Single-encoding Mode, Dual-encoding Mode 1 and Dual- encoding Mode 2
- Programmable Evacuate or Pre-alarm/Evacuate signal
- 8 highlights LED status cluster
- Be started directly by a detector
- Onsite adjustable parameters
- Loop power input
- Aesthetically pleasing design
- Universal mounting with fix base for simple installation

### **1.3.Technical Specification**

•	Listed	LPCB
	Compliance	
•	Compliance	EIN34-3
•	Input Voltage	Loop Power: 24VDC [20V to 27.5V]
•	Current Consumption	Standby: ≤0.8mA, Alarm: ≤5mA
•	Protocol/Addressing	Norden, Value range from 1 to 254
•	Address Sequence	Single-encoding Mode: Alarm
		Dual-encoding Mode 1:1st Alarm / 2nd Warning
		Dual-encoding Mode 2: 1st Warning / 2nd Alarm
•	Strobe Light	8 highlights LED
•	Material / Colour	ABS / White glossy finishing
•	Dimension / Height	Diameter 140mm / 59.1mm (with a cover)
•	Weight	198g (with a cover)/180g (without a cover)
•	Class	Type A, Indoors
•	Operating Temperature	-10°C to +55°C
•	Ingress Protection Rating	IP21
•	Humidity	0 to 95% Relative Humidity. Non condensing

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## 2.Installation

### 2.1.Installation Preparation

This alarm warning device must be installed, commissioned and maintained by a qualified or factory trained service personnel. The installation must be installed in compliance with all local codes having a jurisdiction in your area or BS 5839 Part 1 and EN54.

### 2.2.Installation and Wiring

- 1. Install the NFA-T01NB Normal base in the position where the Sounder flasher base will be installed. Following the arrow mark for the correct position. Do not over-tighten the screws otherwise the base will twist. Use M4 standard screws. Terminals 1 and 6 are the bus signal inputs for connection to the last device. Terminals 2 and 5 are the bus signal outputs for connection to the next device. Terminals 3&8 or 4&7 are used to connect remote indicators, where terminals 3&4 are positive and terminals 7&8 are negative. NFA-T01NB -type base structure and the terminals connection diagram as shown in Figure 1.
- The bottom structure of the Sounder flasher base as shown in Figure 2. Install the Sounder flasher base on the NFA-T01NB type base with the installation terminals of the two devices are one-to-one. The device number or other device parameters can be verified with a programming tool if desired.
- 3. The top structure of the Sounder flasher base as shown in Figure 3. An upper cover or a detector can be mounted on the Sounder flasher base, as shown in Figure 4.





#### Fig.1NFA-T01NB Normal base structure and the terminals connection diagram



Fig.2 Bottom structure of the Base



Fig.3 Top structure of the Base

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Fig.4 Sounder flasher base with an upper cover or a detector

## **3.Sounder flasher base Configuration**

### 3.1.Preparation

The NFA-T01PT Programming Tool is used to configure the address and other parameters of the Sounder flasher base. It is not included in the Sounder flasher bases which you purchased. So, it must be purchased separately. The Programming Tool is packed with twin 1.5V AA batteries and cable, ready for usage once received.

It is mandatory for the commissioning personnel to have Programming Tool in order to adjust the Sounder flasher base conferring to the situation and environmental requirements.

Program a unique address number for each device according to the project layout before placing from the terminal Base.

Warning: Disconnect the loop connection whilst connecting to the programming tool.

### 3.2.Parameter setting

- Connect the programming cable to Z1 and Z2 terminals, as shown in Figure 5. Press "Power" to switch on the unit. The main menu after the boot as shown in Figure 6.
- Switch-on the programming tool, then press button "3" to set encoding mode. Select the desired encoding method and then click the button "Write" to save the configuration information, as shown in Figure 7.
- Exit the programming tool to the main menu and then press button "Write" or "2" to set address. Input the desired device address value from 1 to 254 and then press "Write" to save the new address, as shown in Figure 8.



Fig.5 Connection of programming tool and Sounder flasher base

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- 4. Exit the programming tool to the main menu and then press button "4" to set alarm sound type. Input the desire tone type from 1 to 16 and then press "Write" to save the new tone, as shown in Figure 9.
- 5. Exit the programming tool to the main menu and then press button "**Read**" or "**1**" to view the configuration information of the Sounder flasher base, as shown in Figure 10.
- 6. Press "Exit" key to go back to the main menu when all the information is set up. And then press "Power" key to switch-off the programming tool.
- Note: If display "Success", means the entered information is confirmed. If display "Fail", means failure to program the information. And it is needed to re-operate.





Add	ress:001	
Nex	t Address:003	
	Success	

Fig.8 Address setting

Fig.7 Parameter setting

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Address:001,002 Tone:014
ID:0000000000
Success

Fig.10 Configuration information

## 3.3.Encoding Mode Setting

The NFA-T01SB Sounder flasher base has three different encoding modes such as Single-encoding Mode, Dual-encoding Mode 1 and Dual-encoding Mode 2. Different encoding modes correspond to different ways of operation. It can be changed by a programming tool.



#### Single-encoding Mode

In Single-encoding Mode, the Sounder flasher base has an address. It can be started, silenced and stopped by a controller. It can also be started by other front-end devices. And it can be started by a detector which is mounted on the Sounder flasher base. No matter what kind of start mode, the Sounder flasher base will issue a fire alarm tone and optical signal.

#### **Dual-encoding Mode 1**

In Dual-encoding Mode 1, the Sounder flasher base has two addresses. And the high address of the Sounder flasher base is shared with a detector. It can be started, silenced and stopped by a controller with alarm tone and optical signal. It can also be started by other front-end devices. As in Single-encoding Mode, it can be controlled by a detector which is mounted on it with warning tone and optical signal.

#### **Dual-encoding Mode 2**

In Dual-encoding Mode 2, as with Dual-encoding Mode 1, the Sounder flasher base has two addresses. Only in this mode, it does not share the address with a detector. It can be started, silenced and stopped by a controller with alarm tone and optical signal. It can also be controlled by other front-end devices. It will issue a warning tone and optical signal when a front-end device links to its low address. And it will issue an alarm tone and optical signal when a front-end device links its high address.

The encoding mode of the Sounder flasher base can be set by a programming tool. As shown in figure 11, the option corresponding to the number will be selected when a number is pressed at the interface shown in Figure 6. And then click the button "**write**". The word "**Success**" or "**Fail**" on the screen means that the success or not of the encoding mode setting, as shown in figure 12 and figure 13.



Fig.11 Encoding mode setting

Fig.12 Success to setting

Fig.13 Fail to setting

Press button **"9**" to distinguish the two different dual encoding modes of the Sounder flasher base. **"Dual1**" means the Dual-encoding Mode 1, and **"Dual2**" means the Dual-encoding Mode 2, as shown in figure 14 and figure 15.

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Fig.14 Dual-encoding Mode 1



**Note**: The programming tool can still read the high address of the Sounder flasher base in Dual-encoding Mode 1. But the controller cannot check the presence of it. In dual address mode, the sounder will generate the unique next higher number for the second address for example: In single address mode the address number is 15, when change to dual address mode the address numbers will now be 15 and 16.

**Warning:** Dual address mode may cause Duplicate address fault on the panel and may affect the operation of the next device with conflicted address number if not carefully arrange the loop addressing.

## 3.4.Tone Setting

The NFA-T01SB Sounder flasher base has 16 kinds of different alarm tone and a kind of warning tone. The Tones of it can be change according to the project requirement by a programming tool. The detailed parameters of different tones are shown in Table 1.

Parameter	Tone Code	Description
1	01	970Hz
2	02	800Hz / 970Hz @ 2Hz
3	03	800Hz -970Hz @1Hz
4	04	970Hz 1s off / 1s on
5	05	970Hz, 0.5s / 630Hz, 0.5s
6	06	500Hz - 1200Hz×3, 3.5s on / 0.5s off
7	07	2850Hz, 0.5s on / 0.5s off×3 / 1.5s off
8	08	2850Hz 0.4s on, 0.3s off
9	09	550Hz, 0.7s / 1000Hz, 0.33s
10	10	1500Hz -2700Hz @ 3Hz
11	11	2400Hz

Table 1 Detailed parameters of different tone

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Parameter	Tone Code	Description
12	12	500Hz -1200Hz @ 0.33Hz
13	13	2400Hz -2900Hz @ 9Hz
14	14	2400Hz -2900Hz @ 3Hz [Default]
15	15	800Hz-970Hz @ 3Hz
16	16	500Hz-1200Hz, 3.75s / 0.25s off
17	17	800Hz 1s off / 1s on [Pre-alarm]

- 1. Attach the programming tool to 1 and 6 Terminals of Sounder flasher base. Press "**Power**" to switch-on the unit.
- Switch-on the programming tool, then press button "4" to set the desired tone, as shown in figure 16. Write the number of the corresponding tone and click the button "write". The word "Success" or "Fail" on the screen means that the success or not of the encoding mode setting, as shown in figure 17 and figure 18.
- 3. Press "Exit" key to go back to the Main Menu. Press "Power" to switch off the programming tool.



Fig.16 Tone setting

Fig.17 Success to setting

Fig.18 Fail to set

### 3.5.Read Configuration

Under the main menu, as described in Section 3.2, the configuration parameters of the Sounder flasher base can be viewed by clicking the button "**Read**" or "**1**", as shown in Figure 10.

## **4.General Maintenance**

- 1. Inform the suitable personnel before conducting the maintenance.
- 2. Disable the alarm warning device on the control panel to prevent false alarm.
- 3. Do not attempt to repair the circuitry of the alarm warning device, it may affect the operation to respond to a fire condition and will void the manufacturer's warranty.
- 4. Use a damp cloth to clean the surface.
- 5. Notify again proper personnel after conducting the maintenance and make sure to enable the alarm warning device and confirm if it is up and running.
- 6. Perform the maintenance semi-annually or depending on the site conditions.



## **5.Troubleshooting Guide**

Description	What it means	What to do
Address not enrolling	The wiring is loose The address is duplicate	Conduct maintenance Re-Commission the device
Unable to commission	The damage is in the electronic circuit	Replace the device

## **Appendix 1**

## **Operational Performance Data for LPCB Approved Tones**

## 1.Tone 14 – Volume dB(A)

Table 2 Sound pressure level of tone 14 at different bus voltage with 3 meters away

Angle	Horizont	al Plane	Vertical Plane	
(3m)	Max 28V	Min 16V	Max 28V	Min 16V
15°	81.1	83.5	79.8	81.1
45°	77.7	80.5	78.1	80.2
75°	79.5	81.1	75.7	77.9
105°	81.1	82.6	77.4	80.3
135°	79.4	82.4	76.4	80.4
165°	80.4	84.1	78.8	79.2

## 2.Tone 16 - Volume dB(A)

Table 3 Sound pressure level of tone 16 at different bus voltage with 3 meters away

Angle	Horizont	tal Plane	Vertical Plane	
(3m)	Max 28V	Min 16V	Max 28V	Min 16V
15°	79.8	80.8	79.0	80.0
45°	79.9	80.4	78.4	80.9
75°	80.5	80.1	77.9	79.1
105°	81.8	81.4	78.9	79.6
135°	78.3	79.4	77.9	77.8
165°	79.1	79.9	78.2	79.2

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### 3.Tone 17 – Volume dB(A)

Angle	Horizont	tal Plane	Vertical Plane	
(3m)	Max 28V	Min 16V	Max 28V	Min 16V
15°	81.1	79.6	72.6	72.5
45°	74.5	78.6	73.2	70.6
75°	74.3	76.5	71.7	71.1
105°	74.7	80.7	76.2	76.1
135°	71.7	74.5	74.5	75.2
165°	75.1	75.2	73.7	71.1

Table 4 Sound pressure level of tone 17 at different bus voltage with 3 meters away

### Limitation of Sounder flasher base

The alarm warning device cannot last forever. To keep the alarm warning device working in good condition, please maintain the equipment continuously according to recommendations from manufacturers and relative nation codes and laws. Take specific maintenance measures on the basis of different environments.

This alarm warning device contains electronic parts. Even though it is made to last for a long period of time, any of these parts could fail at any time. Therefore, test your alarm warning device at least every half-year according to national codes or laws. Any fire alarm devices or any other components of the system must be repaired and/or replaced immediately as they fail.



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