INTRODUCTION

The AC-228 keypad is a digital keyless entry system designed for access control applications. The keypad is housed in a rugged, plastic enclosure and is designed to be mounted in a standard single-gang electrical box. The die-cast keys have bright, easy-to-read yellow graphics.

Up to 480 entry codes, from 1 to 6 digits in length, can be programmed. They can activate either, or both of the relay outputs. The “anti-passback” feature prevents using the same code again before the programmed time elapses.

All system indicators are long-lasting, solid state LEDs. Two indicators show the status of the entry system. The left indicator lights red to indicate power, then turns green when access is granted. The right indicator lights yellow when the keypad is in “lockout” condition (from too many incorrect code entries). An internal sounder beeps when each key is pressed. An internal jumper sets the sounder volume high or low.

The SENSE input can be used two ways. If programmed for “door sense” the input is wired to a normally closed switch on the door to detect when the door is opened or closed. Forced entry or door ajar situations can then be detected. Using door sense, the “Auto-relock” feature will prevent “tailgating” by turning off the Main Relay output immediately when the door is closed after access has been granted. If the SENSE input is programmed for “inhibit”, the input can be wired to a “service” switch or automatic timer that will disable the Main Relay when required.

The REQUEST-TO-EXIT input can be wired to a pushbutton to provide codeless activation of Main Relay, Auxiliary Relay, Output #3 or Output #4 (programmable).

The ALARM SHUNT output activates when access is granted. This output can be wired to shunt alarm contacts on the access door/gate to prevent triggering of an alarm when authorized access occurs.

The AC-228 keypad is powered from a 12-24V AC or DC source. Power can be obtained from the access device or a separate power supply. The EEPROM memory retains all entry codes and programming, even without power. An internal jumper is provided to reset the master code. The Main Relay has a 5 Amp capacity. The Auxiliary Relay has a 1 Amp capacity. Two solid state outputs, capable of switching 100 mA to common, are programmable to signal forced entry, door ajar, lockout, alarm circuit shunting, request-to-exit, and keypad active conditions.

Features

- Keypad programmable
- 480 user codes
- 1 to 6 digit user codes
- 4 independent outputs
- 4 independent timers
- 2 Form C relay contacts
- 2 solid state open collector outputs
- Program entry codes to activate one or two relays
- Disable input
- Door sense input
- Request-to-exit/enter input
- Keypad tamper lockout
- Timed anti-passback
- Anti-tailgate
- Two LED status indicators
- Tactile key feel
- Audible code entry verification
- 12 or 24V, AC or DC operation
## AC-228 Keypad

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**AC-228 Keypad Layout**

**Fig. 1 Component Locations**

**WIRING DIAGRAM**

**AC-228 Terminals**

**NOTES:**
1. ALARM SHUNT SET FOR AUXILIARY RELAY
2. GRAY WIRE SET FOR DOOR SENSE

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**TB1 WIRES**

- TO POWER SUPPLY
- FAIL SECURE CONNECTION
- FAIL SAFE CONNECTION
- TO NC ALARM CONTACT

**WIRING**

- 12 – 24 VOLTS AC OR DC
- NO
- COM
- NC

**MAIN RELAY**

- 5 AMPS @ 28 VDC MAX

**AUXILIARY RELAY**

- 1 AMPS @ 28 VDC MAX

**FAIL SAFE CONNECTION**

**FAIL SECURE CONNECTION**

**TO POWER SUPPLY**

**TO NC ALARM CONTACT**

**SENSE GROUND**

**REQUEST TO EXIT**

**GROUND**

**OUTPUT**

**OUTPUT**

**GROUND**

**AUXILIARY OUTPUTS 100 mA MAX TO COMMON**

**CAUTION**

IF THE UNIT IS AC POWERED, MAKE SURE THAT THE SECONDARY OF THE SYSTEM IS ISOLATED FROM EARTH GROUND.

**Fig. 2 Wiring Diagram**
INSTALLATION

Before installing the keypad, the unit must be partially disassembled to access the mounting plate.

Opening the Keypad

The keypad assembly is secured with two screws that are hidden behind the keypad’s nameplate. Refer to Fig. 3 for disassembly details.

1. Use a small flat blade screwdriver to pry off the keypad’s nameplate
2. Use a philips head screwdriver to remove the two screws.
3. Separate the mounting plate from the keypad assembly

Install the Electrical Box and Mounting Plate

The keypad is designed to fit into a standard single-gang electrical box. Select a location near the controlled door and choose a convenient height for the keypad. Be sure there is good wiring accessibility for the unit’s power and the output to the door strike or access device.

1. Install the electrical box in the wall.
2. Screw the mounting plate onto the electrical box. (see Fig. 4)

Final Keypad Installation

After wiring the keypad (see next page), complete the installation by securing the keypad to the mounting plate.

If a lower beeper sound level is required, before installing the keypad, remove Jumper at P4 (place the jumper block on one pin to save the jumper).

1. Hook the keypad assembly onto the mounting plate tab (see fig. 5).
2. Secure with two philips screws.
3. Snap nameplate into position over screws.

Fig. 3 Opening the Keypad

Fig. 4 Installing the Mounting Plate

Fig. 5 Connecting the Keypad to the Mounting Plate
KEYPAD WIRING

See Fig. 6 for an example of a basic door installation. The keypad is mounted adjacent to the door. An electric door strike is mounted in the door jamb to release the door lock. A magnetic switch is mounted on top of the door jamb for detecting when the door is open.

Use the following steps to wire the keypad. Refer to the wiring diagram shown in Fig. 8 to assist in the wiring.

**Note:** Up to 500 feet of 18 AWG wire can be run for power, use larger wire for longer runs. Use 22 AWG or larger (depending on load) for other connections.

**Output**

Install a low voltage electric door strike for unlocking the door.
Route two wires between the door strike and the keypad box.
Connect one of the door strike wires to the keypad’s MAIN RELAY N.O. terminal (TB1 #3). Connect the other door strike wire to the keypad’s AC/DC+ terminal (TB #1). Connect a wire between the keypad’s AC/DC- terminal (TB #2) and the MAIN RELAY COM terminal (TB #4).

**Power**

Choose a location for the power supply or transformer.
Route two wires between the door strike and the keypad box.
Connect the power supply’s output terminals to the keypad’s AC/DC input terminals (TB #1 & #2). Observe wiring polarity if using DC.

**Caution:** If the unit is AC powered, make sure the secondary of the system transformer is isolated from earth ground.

**Earth Ground**

To avoid damage to the unit from static discharges, connect the EARTH GROUND black wires E1, 4, 5 or 8 to a good earth grounding point. Suggested wiring size is 18 AWG for earth ground.

**Sense Input**

RE Note: SENSE terminal (gray wire) can be programmed for either a door sense or inhibit input. Both features cannot be used at the same time.

To use the door sense feature to detect forced entry or door ajar conditions, install a normally closed door switch on the door and route two wires from the switch to the keypad box. Connect the door switch to the keypad’s SENSE terminal (gray wire E8) and COM terminal (any black wire).

If an inhibit switch or timer is going to be used for temporarily disabling the keypad, route two wires from the switch or timer to the keypad box. Connect the inhibit switch/timer normally open terminals to the keypad’s SENSE (gray wire E8) and COM (black wires) terminal.

**Request-to-Exit Input** (wiring shown on page 2, fig. 2)

If a request-to-exit pushbutton is going to be used, route two wires from the keypad box to a normally open pushbutton mounted on the secure side of the door. Connect the wires to the pushbutton and to the keypad’s EXIT (violet wire E6) and COM (black wires) terminals.

**Solid State Outputs**

The two solid state outputs (Outputs #3 & #4) can be programmed to activate during various conditions. These outputs can be used to activate indicators or sounders. See fig. 9 for wiring examples using the solid state outputs.
FACTORY DEFAULTS
Master Programming Code..........................123456
Entry Code Length........................................4 digits
Request-to-exit Output Relay...............Main Relay
Alarm Shunt Output................................Disabled
Forced Entry Output................................Output #3
Door Ajar Output.....................................Output #4
Main Relay On Time.................................2 Seconds
Auxiliary Relay On Time.........................2 Seconds
Solid State Output #3 On Time...............2 Seconds
Solid State Output #4 On Time...............2 Seconds
Door Sense/Inhibit Input........................Door Sense
Keypad Lockout Output..............................Disabled
Keypad Active Output..............................Disabled
Beeper Sounds When Key Pressed................Yes
Beeper Sounds During Relay #1..................No
Beeper Sounds During Relay #2..................No
Beeper Sounds During Output #3..............No
Beeper Sounds During Output #4..............No
Keypad Lockout Count..............................3 Tries Before Lockout
Anti-Passback Time................................No Anti-Passback
Auto-Relock............................................On

BASIC PROGRAMMING
When the AC-228 is in Programming Mode, both indicators will turn off until programming begins. After a programming option number is entered, the yellow indicator will blink. This shows that the AC-228 is ready to accept the new programming data. After the new data entry is complete, the yellow indicator will flash while the data is being stored. The green indicator will light if the data is accepted. The red indicator will light if any programming data is entered incorrectly, and the command will have to be fully re-entered.

Entering Programming Mode
The 6-digit Master Programming Code (default = 123456) is used to enter Programming Mode.

Press:  # 9  # Master Code

Master Code = the current 6-digit Master Programming Code

Exiting Programming Mode
Press:  * * #

The red indicator will light after exiting Programming Mode

Note:  The AC-228 will automatically exit Programming Mode after two minutes of inactivity

Re-entering a Command After a Mistake
If the red indicator lights, signaling an incorrect entry, or an incorrect key is pressed during programming, to clear the keypad and re-enter the command:

Press:  * 9 #

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Setting Entry Code Length  Default: 4 digits
Press:  0 3 # Length #

Length = 1-6 for entry code length

Note:  If the Entry Code Length is going to be changed from the factory default of 4 digits, make this change first before programming any entry codes.

Adding a New Entry Code
Press:  0 1 # Code # Code # Relay #

Code=The new entry code: 1-999999, depending on code length
Relay=Relay output entry code will activate:
1=Main Relay  2=Auxiliary Relay  3=Both Relays

The yellow indicator will flash quickly while the AK-3 searches its memory for available space and duplicate entries. The green indicator will light when the new code is stored. If the new entry code chosen is already being used for another entry code, the red indicator will light. A new unique code needs to be entered.

Note:  Leading zeros (zeros before the code number, i.e.0001) do not need to be entered when programming a new code. The AC-228 will internally add any zeros to fill digits determined by the entry code length setting. Leading zeros will have to be entered by the user when entering their code to gain access.

Erasing a Single Entry Code
Press:  0 2 # Code # Code #

Code=The entry code to delete

The yellow indicator will flash quickly while the AC-228 searches its memory for the code to erase. The green indicator will light when the code is erased.

Erasing All Entry Codes

WARNING:  PERFORMING THIS COMMAND WILL REMOVE ALL ENTRY CODES FROM THE MEMORY
Press:  9 7 # 0 0 0 0 0 0  # 0 0 0 0 0 0  #

Note:  The green indicator will light while the memory is being erased. This may take up to 15 seconds.

Changing the 6-Digit Master Programming Code

Press:  9 8 # Master Code # Master Code #

Master Code=The new 6-digit Master Programming Code

New master code: ______________

PROGRAMMING OPTIONS
There are several AC-228 programming options. For most installations, the factory set default options are sufficient. The keypad must be in Programming Mode to make these changes.

Programming the AC-228 To Hold the Output
The AC-228 has a programmable “Toggle Mode” available for each relay and solid-state output. When an output is programmed for Toggle Mode, the output alternates from OFF to ON or from ON to OFF each time it is activated.

The rules for a toggle output are:
If the output is OFF, it will turn ON and stay on until the next activation.
If the output is ON, it will turn OFF and stay off until the next activation.

Typical Programming
With the unit in Program Mode, set the Auxiliary Relay (Relay #2) output to Toggle Mode using the following keystrokes.

Press:  2 2 # 9 9 #

( 22=Programming Step; 99=Togglle Mode )
(Typical Programming cont.)

Program all normal entry codes to use the Main Relay (Relay #1), and only Relay #1 as the output relay. Program the code(s) that you want to use to hold the output for an indefinite period to the Auxiliary Relay (Relay #2). See the following example that sets entry codes 1234 for normal and 5678 for toggle operation.

**Press:** 0 1 2 3 4 # 1 2 3 4 # 1 #
01=Programming Step; 1234=Entry Code; 1=Main Relay

**Press:** 0 1 5 6 7 8 # 5 6 7 8 # 2 #
01=Programming Step; 5678=Entry Code; 2=Auxiliary Relay

**Select Door Sense or Inhibit Input**

Default: Door Sense

The input (gray wire) can be programmed for DOOR SENSE or INHIBIT.

**Press:** 1 0 # Input #
Input=0 for Door Sense; =1 for Inhibit

When programmed for DOOR SENSE, if an open condition on the input occurs before access is granted (with an entry code or with the request-to-enter input) a FORCED ENTRY output will occur. If an open condition remains 60 seconds after a relay activation for access, a DOOR AJAR output will occur.

When programmed for INHIBIT, a closed condition on the input will prevent Relay #1 from activating when access is requested with an entry code. This mode is typically used with an external timer to disable the access device at certain times.

**Select Forced Entry Output**

Default: Output #3

Sets which output activates if the DOOR SENSE input opens before access is granted. This output is not timed.

**Press:** 1 1 # Output #
Output=Output to Activate(0-4)
1=Main Relay; 2=Auxiliary Relay; 3=Output #3; 4=Output #4; 0=No Output

**Select Door Ajar Output**

Default: Output #4

Sets which output activates if the DOOR SENSE input stays open 60 seconds after access is granted. This output is not timed.

**Press:** 1 2 # Output #
Output=Output to Activate(0-4)
1=Main Relay; 2=Auxiliary Relay; 3=Output #3; 4=Output #4; 0=No Output

**Typical Toggle Mode Wiring**

For devices triggered by a normally open circuit, wire the contacts of the Main and Auxiliary Relays in parallel (see the Figure below). Either relay will be able to trigger the access device. Entry codes programmed for the Auxiliary Relay will be able to hold the output on.

**Select Keypad Lockout Output**

Default: No Output

Sets which output activates when the keypad is “locked out” after too many incorrect entry code attempts. The lockout time is 60 seconds.

**Press:** 1 3 # Output #
Output=Output to Activate(0-4)
1=Main Relay; 2=Auxiliary Relay; 3=Output #3; 4=Output #4; 0=No Output

**Select Keypad Active Output**

Default: No Output

Sets which output activates when any keys are pressed. This output is timed. If toggle mode is selected for the output, the timer value defaults to 2 seconds.

**Press:** 1 4 # Output #
Output=Output to Activate(0-4)
1=Main Relay; 2=Auxiliary Relay; 3=Output #3; 4=Output #4; 0=No Output

**Select Alarm Shunt Output**

Default: No Output

Sets which output activates during the time access is granted. (Use this output to shunt alarm contacts attached to the access door.) This output may be timed or toggled.

**Press:** 1 5 # Output #
Output=Output to Activate(0-4)
1=Main Relay; 2=Auxiliary Relay; 3=Output #3; 4=Output #4; 0=No Output

**Select Request-to-Exit Output**

Default: Main Relay

Sets which output activates when the Request-to-Exit input is grounded. This output may be timed or toggled.

**Press:** 1 6 # Output #
Output=Output to Activate(0-4)
1=Main Relay; 2=Auxiliary Relay; 3=Output #3; 4=Output #4; 0=No Output

**Main Relay On-time**

Default: 2 Seconds

Sets the length of time the Main Relay activates when triggered.

**Press:** 2 1 # Seconds #
Seconds=Output time in seconds (0-60), 99=Toggle Mode

**Auxiliary Relay On-time**

Default: 2 Seconds

Sets the length of time the Auxiliary Relay activates when triggered.

**Press:** 2 2 # Seconds #
Seconds=Output time in seconds (0-60), 99=Toggle Mode

**Solid-state Output #3 On-time**

Default: 2 Seconds

Sets the length of time Output #3 activates when triggered.

**Press:** 2 3 # Seconds #
Seconds=Output time in seconds (0-60), 99=Toggle Mode
**Solid-state Output #4 On-time**  
Default: 2 Seconds

Sets the length of time Output #4 activates when triggered.

**Press: 2 4 # Seconds #**

Seconds=Output time in seconds (0-60), 99=Toggle Mode

**Beep Sounds on Keystrokes**  
Default: 2 Seconds

Selects whether or not the keypad beeps as each key is pressed.

**Press: 4 0 # Sound #**

Sound=1 for Yes, =0 for No

**Beep Sounds During Main Relay**  
Default: 2 Seconds

Selects whether or not the keypad beeps during Main Relay activation.

**Press: 4 1 # Sound #**

Sound=1 for Yes, =0 for No

**Beep Sounds During Auxiliary Relay**  
Default: No

Selects whether or not the keypad beeps during Auxiliary Relay activation.

**Press: 4 2 # Sound #**

Sound=1 for Yes, =0 for No

**Beep Sounds During Output #3**  
Default: No

Selects whether or not the keypad beeps during Output #3 activation.

**Press: 4 3 # Sound #**

Sound=1 for Yes, =0 for No

**Beep Sounds During Output #4**  
Default: No

Selects whether or not the keypad beeps during Output #4 activation.

**Press: 4 4 # Sound #**

Sound=1 for Yes, =0 for No

**Keypad Lockout Count**  
Default: 3 Tries

Sets the number or incorrect entry code attempts allowed before the keypad "locks out".

**Press: 5 0 # Attempts #**

Attempts=Number of attempts before lockout (2-7)

**Anti-Pass Back Time**  
Default: No Anti-Pass Back

Sets the length of time an entry code will not function after it is used.

**Press: 5 1 # Minutes #**

Minutes=Time in minutes (1-4), 0=No Anti-passback

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**RESETTING KEYPAD**

**Master Reset**

**CAUTION:** Performing a master reset will clear the entire memory of the AC-228 and return all programmable options to the factory default values. **ALL ENTRY CODES WILL BE ERASED.**

**STEP 1** Disconnect power from the keypad.

**STEP 2** Press and hold down the * and # keys.

**STEP 3** Apply power to the keypad, continue holding the keys down until the red indicator starts flashing.

**STEP 4** Release the keys. The red and yellow indicators will remain lit until the process is complete, then the yellow indicator will go out.

**Resetting the Master Code**

**STEP 1** Open the AC-228 case.

**STEP 2** Locate jumper at P2. This jumper is used to reset the master code.

**STEP 3** With power applied to the keypad, remove the jumper at P2. The keypad will begin to beep, signaling that the code has been reset.

**STEP 4** Replace jumper on P2

THE MASTER PROGRAMMING CODE IS NOW 123456.
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**AC-228 OPERATION**

Keypad users request access by entering their code.
+ Users of the AC-228 have up to 40 seconds to key in their entry code.
+ Up to eight seconds are allowed between each keystroke.
+ All digits of the entry code must be entered. Example: if the code is 0042, the user must enter "0 0 4 2".
+ If the wrong key is pressed, pressing the * key will reset the keypad. The correct code can be re-entered.
+ After a correct code is entered, the red indicator will turn green and the programmed relay will activate for the programmed time.
+ If the number of incorrect codes entered exceeds the keypad lockout count, the yellow indicator will light, indicating that the keypad is locked out. The lockout will remain for one minute.
+ After a valid code has been entered, it will be unusable until the anti-passback time expires.

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**SPECIFICATIONS**

**Mechanical**
- Dimensions: 3.00" W x 5.00" H x 3.00" D

**Electrical**
- Input Voltage: 12-24 Volts AC or DC
- Operating Current: 30 mA typical, 150 mA maximum

**Output Ratings**
- Main Relay: Form “C” 5 Amps @ 28 Volts maximum
- Auxiliary Relay: Form “C” 1 Amp @ 28 Volts maximum
- Type: Solid state outputs (Outputs #3 & #4)
- Short-to-common 100 mA @ 24 VDC maximum

**Environmental**
- Temperature: -22°F to 149°F (-30°C to 65°C)
- Humidity: 5% to 95% non-condensing