# Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor Installation, Operation and Maintenance





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Figure 1. Desco Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor

# Description

Leading companies use continuous monitors as a cost effective component in satisfying the paragraph 6.1.3 Compliance Verification Plan requirements of ANSI/ESD S20.20. The Desco Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor continuously monitors the integrity of one operator. This monitor will provide virtually instantaneous notification of static control equipment failures, eliminating the need of periodic testing and costly record keeping. This unit is highly cost effective as it is designed to monitor any conventional single wire wrist strap and ground cord system. Its small package and mounting tabs with holes make it highly suitable to install on most any equipment or work bench surface. In addition, optional mounting is available using the provided adhesive-backed Velcro® strips. Using either mounting method makes the Multi-Mount Monitor suitable for most any machinery or workbench even in hard to reach locations.

The Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor is a real time instrument that ensures that critical ESD generators in a sensitive area are effectively grounded. The instant an operator's wrist strap or cord fails, the monitor will issue audible and visual (LEDs) alarms alerting the user and supervisor of the problem.

All Desco single-wire monitors with wave distortion technology include the Park Snap feature. Use the Park Snap to store the operator's wrist cord and enable standby mode while the operator is away from the workstation. Before disconnecting the coil cord from the wristband, the operator touches the Park Snap to disable the audio alarm for 6 seconds. Within the 6 second period, the operator can disconnect their wrist cord from their wristband and attach it to the Park Snap before the audible alarm sounds.

The Desco Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor is available in the following models:

Item	Power Adapter Input	Wrist Strap Included
<u>19228</u>	120VAC	No
<u>19229</u>	120VAC	Yes
<u>19234</u>	220VAC	No
<u>19236</u>	220VAC	Yes

# ADVANTAGES OF CONTINUOUS MONITORING OVER PERIODIC TESTING

Many customers are eliminating periodic testing and are utilizing continuous monitoring to better ensure that their products were manufactured in an ESD protected environment. Full time continuous monitoring is superior to periodic or pulsed testing, and can save a significant amount of money in testing costs and rejected product. Periodic testing detects failures after ESD susceptible products have been manufactured. The costs of dealing with the resulting catastrophic or latent defects can be considerable. Multi-Mount Continuous Monitors eliminate the need for users to test wrist straps and log the results; by their function, these monitors satisfy the ISO 9000 and ANSI/ESD S20.20 test logging. ANSI/ESD S20.20 Paragraph 6.2.2.2 Personnel Grounding Guidance states "A log should be maintained which verifies that personnel have tested their personal grounding devices." Per ESD-S1.1 Paragraph 6.1.3 "Daily (wrist strap system) testing may be omitted if constant monitoring is used."

# WAVE DISTORTION DETECTION TECHNOLOGY PROVIDES TRUE 100% CONTINUOUS MONITORING

From all the technical alternatives available, Desco has chosen wave distortion technology for many of its Continuous Monitor product offerings. Wave distortion circuitry monitors current/voltage phase shifts and provides true 100% continuous monitoring. Electrical current will lead voltage at various points due to the combinations of resistance and capacitive reactance. By monitoring these "distortions" or phase shifts, the wave distortion Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor will reliably determine if the circuit is complete.

Wave distortion technology can be referred to "vector impedance monitoring". This description is valid as the wave distortion technology measures the impedance at the monitored banana jack and looks for changes in either the capacitance or resistance of the circuit which includes the wrist strap and its wearer. It uses filtering and time domain sampling to filter out false signals caused by voltage offsets, 60 Hz fields and other electro-magnetic and electrostatic interference.

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In normal factory environments, and with persons whose capacitance with respect to ground is within design limits (5 feet tall 90 pound person to 6 foot 5 inch 250 pound person), the Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor cannot be "fooled". It will provide a reliable alarm only when the wrist strap becomes dysfunctional or unsafe according to accepted industry standards. The Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor is drift-free and designed to be insensitive to the effects of squeezing or stretching the coil cord.

#### **ADVANTAGES OF WAVE DISTORTION AND** SINGLE-WIRE TECHNOLOGY

The Desco Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor allows the use of any standard, single-wire wrist strap and coil cord. The monitor/wrist strap/cord system life-cycle costs are by far lower than alternative systems which require expensive & fragile dual-wire cords and special wrist straps. Dual-wire cords are expensive and are the weak link of the system, the most likely component to need replacement. Over a five year period, this can make the dual-wire system three to five times as expensive as a system utilizing single-wire wrist straps and cords. See Maintenance and Calibration (page 4) to minimize life-cycle costs.

The dictionary defines constant as uniform and unchanging, and continuous as uninterrupted. Nonetheless, some dual-wire resistance monitors utilize a pulsed test current and do not really provide continuous monitoring. For example, during each 2.2 second pulse cycle of a leading "constant" resistive monitor, electrical current is pulsed for only 0.2 seconds followed by an unmonitored interval of 2 seconds. This leaves the user/wrist strap unmonitored for over 90% of each cycle. Damaging static charges can easily occur in the portion of the time in between the pulses. The off period of 2 seconds equals 2 billion nanoseconds, and "it takes only about 25 volts applied for 100 nanoseconds to blow most memories or microprocessors.\* The dual-wire system does not reliably meet all industry specifications, as the cords do not meet the EOS/ESD S-1.0 paragraph 4.1.6, 1 to 5 pound "breakaway force" requirement for operator safety.

By using the reliable wave distortion technology to determine if the circuit is complete, there are no false alarms. There is no need to adjust or tune the monitor to a specific user or installation. The miniscule amount of electrical current (less than 1 volt coil cord signal) required to generate the waveform has never caused reported skin irritation and is extremely safe for use in voltage sensitive applications such as disk drive manufacturing.

#### **WORKSURFACE CHANNEL**

The Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor's circuitry is sufficiently sensitive to detect extremely low current. allowing it to be used with mats having a resistance of up to 1.0 x 107 ohms Rtg. When the Monitor is connected to an ESD Mat worksurface, the amount of current that flows is a function of the total resistance between the monitor and through the worksurface to ground. When the resistance of the worksurface is below a pre-set threshold, the monitor will indicate good. Conversely, if the resistance level is high when compared to the monitor's reference, the unit will alarm. This is an integrating resistance measuring circuit, therefore it is relatively insensitive to externally induced electromagnetic fields. The resistance threshold is factory set to 10 megohms. (It can be special ordered to other limits. Limits can be varied and set to 100 megohms maximum).

# **Packaging**

#### 19228 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor, 120VAC

- 1 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor
- 1 24VAC Power Adapter, North America Plug
- 1 6' Mat Monitor Cord (Black)
- 1 6' Mat Ground Cord (Green and Yellow)
- 2 Push and Clinch Snaps
- 2 Mounting Screws
- Countersink Washers
- Set of Hook and Loop Fasteners 1
- Zip Tie 1
- Certificate of Calibration

### 19229 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor, 120VAC

- 1 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor
- 24VAC Power Adapter, North America Plug
- 09100 Jewel® Elastic Wristband
- 6' Mat Monitor Cord (Black)
- 1 6' Mat Ground Cord (Green and Yellow)
- 2 Push and Clinch Snaps
- 2 Mounting Screws
- 2 Countersink Washers
- Set of Hook and Loop Fasteners 1
- 1 Zip Tie
- 1 Certificate of Calibration

## 19234 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor, 220VAC

- 1 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor
- 24VAC Power Adapter without Power Cord
- 1 6' Mat Monitor Cord (Black)
- 6' Mat Ground Cord (Green and Yellow)
- Push and Clinch Snaps
- 2 Mounting Screws
- Countersink Washers
- Set of Hook and Loop Fasteners 1
- Zip Tie
- 1 Certificate of Calibration

\*1981 article by Donald E. Frank - Electrical Overstress / Electronic Discharge Symposium Proceedings

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#### 19236 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor, 220VAC

- 1 Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor
- 1 24VAC Power Adapter without Power Cord
- 1 09100 Jewel® Elastic Wristband
- 1 6' Mat Monitor Cord (Black)
- 1 6' Mat Ground Cord (Green and Yellow)
- 2 Push and Clinch Snaps
- 2 Mounting Screws
- 2 Countersink Washers
- 1 Set of Hook and Loop Fasteners
- 1 Zip Tie
- 1 Certificate of Calibration

NOTE: The power cord must be purchased separately for Multi-Mount Monitor items <u>19234</u> and <u>19236</u>. See the following EMIT items for available power cords:

Item	Power Cord Type	
<u>50545</u>	Europe	
<u>50546</u>	United Kingdom	



Figure 2. 220VAC power adapter included with the Desco 19234 and 19236 Multi-Mount Continuous Monintors. Power cord sold separately.

# **Features and Components**

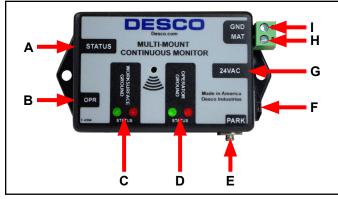


Figure 3. Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor features and components

- **A. Status LEDs:** When the green LED is illuminated, the operator is properly grounded. When the red LED is illuminated, the operator is not properly grounded.
- **B. Monitored Operator Jack:** Where the operator inserts the wrist cord banana plug.
- **C. Worksurface Ground LEDs:** When the green LED is illuminated, the worksurface mat is properly grounded. When the red LED is illuminated, the worksurface mat is not properly grounded.
- **D. Operator Ground LEDs:** When the green LED is illuminated, the operator is properly grounded. When the red LED is illuminated, the operator is not properly grounded.
- **E. 4mm Parking Snap:** When touched by the operator, this snap will deactivate the alarm for six seconds. This allows time for the operator to disconnect the coil cord from the wrist band and park it on this snap. While parked, the coil cord disables the alarm, allowing the operator to leave the workstation. The OPERATOR GROUND LED will remain off while the cord is parked. Upon returning and removing the coil cord from the parking snap, the operator has six seconds to hook up to the wrist band before the alarm sounds.
- **F. Cable Tie Mount:** Pair with the included zip tie to secure the nearby power adapter cord and reduce strain on its plug.
- **G. 24 VAC Power Jack:** Connect the power adapter here.
- **H. Mat Connection:** Monitors worksurface mat. NOTE: To disable worksurface monitoring, shunt this terminal to the neighboring GND terminal with bus wire.
- I. Mat Ground: Grounds worksurface mat.

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#### Installation

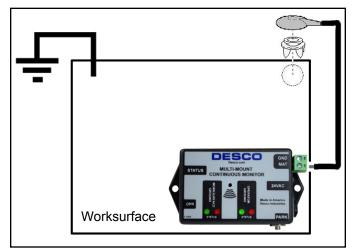


Figure 4. Installation method #1

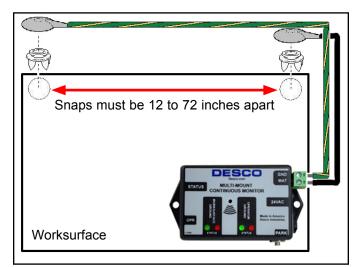


Figure 5. Installation method #2

- Remove the monitor from the carton and inspect for damage.
- Determine the mounting location of the Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor. Its LEDs should be visible to the operator. Use the included mounting screws or hook and loop fasteners if desired.
- 3. Attach the tinned wire end of the mat monitor cord to its appropriate terminal block connection located on the right-side of the monitor.
- Route the mat monitor cord from the monitor to the worksurface mat. Use either the included push and clinch snap or washer and screw to secure the cord to the mat (see Figure 6).

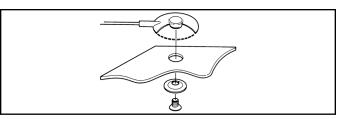


Figure 6. Screw allows ground cord to be bolted to mat to keep cord from disconnecting

- 5. The ground cord included with the Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor may be used to ground the worksurface mat if it is not already grounded. Attach the tinned wire end of the included ground cord to the appropriate terminal block connection on the right-side of the monitor.
- Route the ground cord from the monitor to the worksurface mat. Use either the included push and clinch snap or washer and screw to secure the cord to the mat. This snap must be installed 12 to 72 inches away from the snap used for the mat monitor cord.
- 7. Connect the power adapter to the power jack located on the right-side of the monitor. Route the wire from the supply to a nearby AC outlet and plug it into the outlet. Make sure the voltage and frequency match those listed on the power supply. The monitor is now powered.

**NOTE:** Worksurface must have a conductive layer such as Dual Layer Rubber or Dissipative 3-Layer Vinyl or Micastat® Dissipative Laminate with conductive buried layers. Desco continuous monitors are not recommended for use with homogeneous matting.

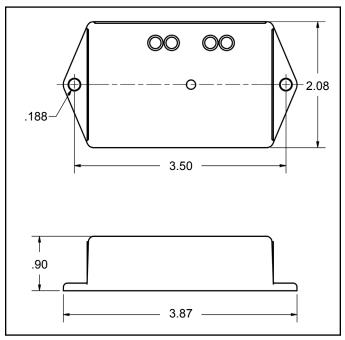


Figure 7. Mounting hole locations on the Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor (all dimensions are in inches)

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# Operation

When the Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor is installed to an ESD protective worksurface and grounded via a power cord, the green WORKSURFACE GROUND LED and red OPERATOR GROUND LED should be illuminated. The monitor takes 6 seconds to activate its alarm circuitry when the operator is first plugged in.

The custom AC adapter connects the outlet ground to the barrel on the output plug. This is used to supply the Monitor with ground.

The worksurface resistance is measured between the two cords installed to the mat worksurface.

#### **USING THE MONITOR**

- Plug a wrist cord into the operator jack on the leftside of the monitor. This automatically activates the selected operator channel. The red operator LED should turn on.
- 2. Remove the charges from your body by making contact with a properly grounded ESD worksurface. Snap the cord to the wristband, and fit it snugly onto the wrist. This should silence the audio and cause the LEDs to switch from red to green. If this does not happen, check the coil cord for continuity or damage. Examine the wrist strap and confirm that it has a secure fit. If you have dry skin, apply an approved dissipative hand lotion such as Menda 35659 Reztore™ ESD Hand Lotion. When leaving the area, a person can take the coil cord along or leave it attached to the monitor in park position.

NOTE: Removing the banana plug from the monitor's operator jack will disable the audio alarm.

It is recommended that you use the Park Snap rather than continuously removing the banana plug from its jack. Doing so will increase the life span of the operator jack. If your process requires the constant insertion and removal of the banana plug, please contact your Desco Representative for alternate solutions.



Figure 8. Using the Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor

#### Maintenance and Calibration

The Multi-Mount Continuous Monitor is solid state and designed to be maintenance free. It is calibrated to NIST traceable standards. There are no user adjustments necessary. Because of the wave distortion sensing nature of the test circuit, special equipment is required for calibration. We recommend that calibration be performed using the Desco 98220 Single-Wire Monitor Calibration Unit. It is a convenient product which allows the customer to perform NIST traceable calibration on continuous monitors. The 98220 is designed to be used on the shop floor at the workstation, virtually eliminating downtime, verifying that the continuous monitor is operating within tolerances. Per ANSI/ESD S20.20 Paragraph 6.2.2.2 Personnel Grounding Guidance, "Personnel should check constant monitoring devices (when used) to ensure that they are functional and operating before ESDS products are handled. In addition, constant monitoring devices should be functionally checked periodically to ensure that they are operating as designed."

## **Specifications**

Test Range of Monitored Circuit 500K - 10M ohms†

Operating Voltage 24 VAC, 50/60 Hz

Worksurface Range 10 megohms

Wrist Strap Open Circuit Voltage 1.2 V peak-to-peak @ 1-2 µA

Mat Test Open Circuit Voltage 5 to 7.5 V

Response Time to Alarm <50 ms

**Operating Temperature** 0 to 40°C

#### Size

3.87" L x 2.08" W x .90" H

† This cannot be verified with standard DC test equipment. The continuous monitor is an impedance sensing device and the limits are determined by the magnitude and angle of the impedance.

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