



# ULT-PLG

## ULTRALOOP

# Vehicle Loop Detector



CE

# Operating Instructions

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## CAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

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**CE REQUIREMENT:** Use EMX Pre-formed loops with built-in surge suppression for CE compliance. Connect shield on lead in wire to earth ground.

**CE REQUIREMENT:** Use CE rated power supply for CE compliance providing suppression as specified by EN61000-4-5.

*Not to be used in safety applications.*

*When more than one loop detector is used, set each one to a different frequency.*

*Refer to DIP switch diagram for frequency settings.*

### **IMPORTANT:**

This product is an accessory or part of a system. Always read and follow the manufacturer's instructions for the equipment before connecting this product. Comply with all applicable codes and safety regulations. Failure to do so may result in damage, injury or death.

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## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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The ULT-PLG vehicle loop detector is compatible with most gate operators. The ULT-PLG may be used in Center, Safety and Exit loop positions. The UltraMETER™ display feature makes set-up easy by displaying the optimum sensitivity setting required to detect a vehicle positioned on the loop. Ten sensitivity settings allow for fine adjustment of detection level. The Detect On Stop (DOS®) feature allows detection only when a vehicle has come to a complete stop. Output B switch allows configuration of output 2 for FAIL, PULSE ON ENTRY, PULSE ON EXIT, or SAME AS OUPUT A. Four frequency settings provide flexibility in preventing crosstalk in multi-loop applications.

The ULT-PLG is compatible with a wide variety of gate operators including:

- Advanced Access Automation/FAAC CSL2000, CSW2000, RSW1000
- All-O-Matic SL100-DC
- Apollo 4300, 4500
- Chamberlain/Elite SL3000,CSW200
- Intelligate Systems IQ500, IQ5000
- Linear (OSCO) with APeX controller
- PowerMaster operators with PowerMaster controllers
- Rotary Gate Systems models SL1000C, SL1000I, SL1000R
- SECOM Late model operators with 10 pin Molex connectors
- TyMetal TYM 1000, TYM 2000
- Viking Access Models L-3, F-1, T-21, H-10, B-12, Q-4

## Specifications

Sensitivity	10 levels, 0-9
UltraMETER™ Display	Indicates optimum sensitivity level, 0-9 Diagnostic aid
Loop frequency	4 settings (low, med-low, med-hi, high)
Loop inductance	20...2000μH (Q factor ≥ 5)
Grounded loop	Isolation transformer allows operation with poor quality loops
Automatic tuning	Detector tunes to loop on power-up and following frequency count function
Environmental tracking	Automatic compensation
Surge protection	Loop circuitry protected by surge suppressors
Detect output	Solid-state
Output B	Solid state
Output B inverted	Solid state
Power / loop fault indicator	Green LED
Detect / frequency count indicator	Red LED
ASB (Automatic Sensitivity Boost)	Increases sensitivity after initial detection to prevent dropout due to high-bed vehicles
Power	12VDC...24VDC (see Cautions and Warnings)
Operating Current	15 mA
Operating temperature	-40°C...82°C (-40°F...180°F) 0...95% relative humidity
Dimensions (L x W x H)	3.0”(76mm) x 0.9”(22mm) x 2.75”(70mm)
Weight	0.15 lbs. (68 g)
Connector	10-pin female



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# OPERATION

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## Power up

Upon power up the detector initializes by automatically tuning to the loop. The green LED indicates that the detector is powered and operational.

## Frequency setting

The operating frequency of the loop is a function of the specific loop inductance and DIP switch settings 1 and 2. The primary purpose of the frequency setting is to allow the installer the ability to set different operating frequencies for multi-loop installations, recommended to prevent crosstalk/interference from adjacent loops. After changing the frequency setting, press the Frequency Count switch to re-initialize the detector. To check the operating frequency of a loop refer to the Frequency Count section. To determine whether crosstalk between adjacent loops is occurring, refer to the UltraMETER Sensitivity Display section.

## UltraMETER™ Sensitivity Display

The UltraMETER™ sensitivity display simplifies the installation process by displaying the sensitivity setting required to detect a vehicle on the loop. To use this feature, observe the display while a vehicle is moving into position on the loop, note the number displayed, then adjust the sensitivity setting (rotary switch) to the displayed position.

During normal operation, when a vehicle is not on the loop, the display is blank. The effects of crosstalk or other interference can be observed on the display when the loop is vacant. Interference or crosstalk will cause the display to indicate a level, typically 8 or 9. It may be necessary to observe the display for a minute or so to see this effect. Change the frequency setting to prevent crosstalk.

## Sensitivity setting

The 10-position rotary switch allows for precise adjustment of detection level. The sensitivity level increases from position 0 thru 9 with position 0 being the lowest sensitivity. Typical applications require a setting of 3 or 4. The UltraMETER™ sensitivity display simplifies the installation process by displaying the sensitivity setting required to detect a vehicle on the loop. To use this feature, observe the display while a vehicle is moving into position on the loop, note the number displayed, then adjust the sensitivity setting (rotary switch) to the displayed position.

## Frequency Count / Reset

Press the Frequency Count switch and count the number of flashes on the red LED. Each flash represents 10kHz. To help to prevent crosstalk when multiple detectors are used for adjacent loops, perform a frequency count on each detector to confirm the operation frequencies are different. Following a frequency count cycle, the detector re-initializes

## Automatic Sensitivity Boost

The Automatic Sensitivity Boost causes the sensitivity to increase following initial detection. This feature is useful to prevent dropout when detecting high-bed vehicles. The sensitivity returns to its normal setting after the vehicle exits the loop. Decimal point on the display indicates ASB on.

## Presence output

The Presence settings provides two selections, the output can be set for Infinite Presence or Normal Presence. Infinite Presence causes the output to remain in detect mode as long as the vehicle remains on the loop. Normal Presence causes the output to reset after 5 minutes. **DO NOT USE THE NORMAL PRESENCE SETTING UNLESS THE OPENING IS PROTECTED BY A SECONDARY SAFETY DEVICE SUCH AS THE IRB-4X.**

## **Detect-on-stop (DOS™)**

The detect-on-stop affects B and /B (inverted B output). This function requires that a vehicle come to a complete stop on the loop for the output to activate. This feature is useful in cases where cross-traffic causes the detection.

## **Output B**

Output B settings allow Pulse on Entry, Pulse on Exit, Output B same as Presence and Loop Fault.

## **Fail Safe / Fail Secure**

Fail Safe setting causes the ULT-PLG to activate the Presence output in the event a loop failure. Fail Secure setting will cause the ULT-PLG not to activate the Presence output in the event a loop failure.

# Controls and Indicators

## AUTOMATIC SENSITIVITY BOOST

	DIP switch position 8
ASB enabled	on
ASB off	off

## PRESENCE

	DIP switch position 7
NORMAL	on
INFINITE	off

## DETECT-ON-STOP (DOS)

	DIP switch position 6
DOS on	on
DOS off	off

## OUTPUT B

MODE	DIP switch position	
	4	5
Pulse on Entry	on	on
Pulse on Exit (1)	off	on
B same as A	on	off
Loop Fault	off	Off

(1) Not used when DOS is selected

## FAIL SAFE / SECURE

	DIP switch position 3
Fail Secure	on
Fail Safe	off

## FREQUENCY SETTINGS

FREQUENCY	DIP switch position	
	2	1
Low	on	on
Medium low	on	off
Medium high	off	on
High	off	off

## SENSITIVITY SETTING

Sensitivity	Position 0.....9
	Low.....high

## DETECT / FREQUENCY COUNT

	Red LED
Presence detected	on
No presence	off
Frequency count	flashing

## ULTRAMETER™ DISPLAY

Indicates sensitivity setting required to detect vehicle.

## FREQUENCY COUNT / RESET

Press to start frequency count, re-initializes after count



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## Connections

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Connector pin	Description
1	Loop
2	Loop
3	Power + (12VDC...24VDC)
4	No connection
5	No connection
6	Output B
7	Output B inverted
8	Presence output
9	Power + (12VDC...24VDC)
10	Common

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## Troubleshooting

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Symptom	Possible cause	Solution
Green LED flashes	Loop wire shorted or open	Check loop resistance on the appropriate loop pins on the control board connector, between .5 ohms and 5 ohms.
Green LED flashes, 2 fast	Loop was previously shorted or open	Check loop resistance on the appropriate loop pins on the control board connector.
Detector remains in detect after vehicle has left loop	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Faulty loop</li><li>2. Poorly crimped terminals</li><li>3. Loose connections</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Perform megger test from loop lead to ground, should be &gt;100 megohms</li><li>2. Check loop connections to terminals</li><li>3. Check splices are properly soldered and sealed against moisture</li><li>4. Observe ULTRAMETER display, level indicated on display indicates residual frequency shift from vacant loop to vehicle presence, press Frequency Count switch to re-initialize the detector</li></ol>
Intermittent detection	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Faulty loop</li><li>2. Poorly crimped terminals</li><li>3. Loose connections</li><li>4. Cross-talk between adjacent loops</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Perform megger test from loop lead to ground, should be &gt;100 megohms</li><li>2. Check loop connections to terminals</li><li>3. Check splices are properly soldered and sealed against moisture</li><li>4. Set adjacent loops to different frequencies (see Frequency Setting)</li></ol>
No detection	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Loop wire shorted or open</li><li>2. Loop sensitivity set too low</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Check loop resistance on the appropriate loop pins on the control board connector, between .5 ohms and 5 ohms.</li><li>2. With vehicle on loop, observe ULTRAMETER display, set sensitivity to the level indicated on the display</li></ol>

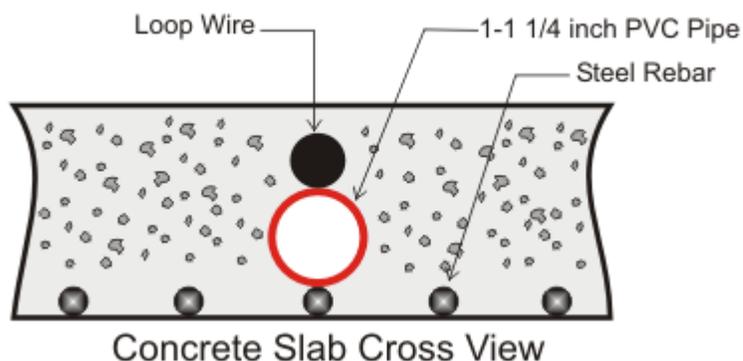
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## Loop Installation

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### NEW SLAB POUR

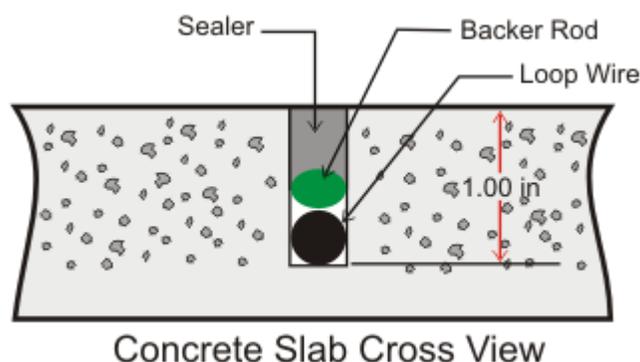
Ty-wrap 1-1/4" PVC pipe to the top of the rebar in the size and configuration of the loop (ex. 4' x 8'). Then ty-wrap the loop to the top of the PVC frame. This stabilizes the loop during the pour and separates it from the rebar.



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### SAW CUT EXISTING SURFACE

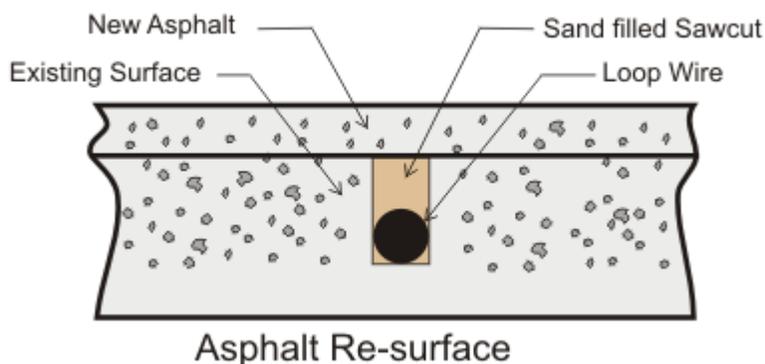
Cut 1" deep into the existing surface, place a 45° cut at the corners to prevent sharp edges from damaging the loop wire. Notch out for the "T" connection where the lead wire connects to the loop. Remove all debris from the finished cut with compressed air. Place the loop into the saw cut. Place backer material into the saw cut over the loop wire and pack tightly. Place a high-quality sealer over the saw cut to seal the surface.



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### RESURFACE ASPHALT

Saw cut the existing surface 3/4" deep and place a 45° cut at the corners to prevent sharp edges from damaging the loop wire. Remove all debris from the finished cut with compressed air. Place sand over the loop wire to the surface and pack tightly. Lay new asphalt.



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## General Installation Guidelines

- Use EMX Lite Preformed loops for quick, reliable installations and for CE compliance.
- Lead-in wire (wire from loop to detector) must be twisted a minimum of 6 turns/ foot to avoid the effects of noise or other interference.
- Detection height is approximately 70% of the shortest side of the loop. Example: detection height for an 4' x 8' loop =  $48" \times .7 = 33.6"$

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## Ordering information

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ULT-PLG      ULTRALOOP Vehicle Loop Detector

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## Accessories

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PR-XX      EMX Lite Preformed Loops™

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## Warranty

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### **WARRANTY**

EMX Industries Incorporated warrants all products to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for a period of two years under normal use and service from the date of sale to our customer. This warranty does not cover normal wear and tear, abuse, misuse, overloading, altered products, damage caused by incorrect connections, lightning damage, or use other than intended design.

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