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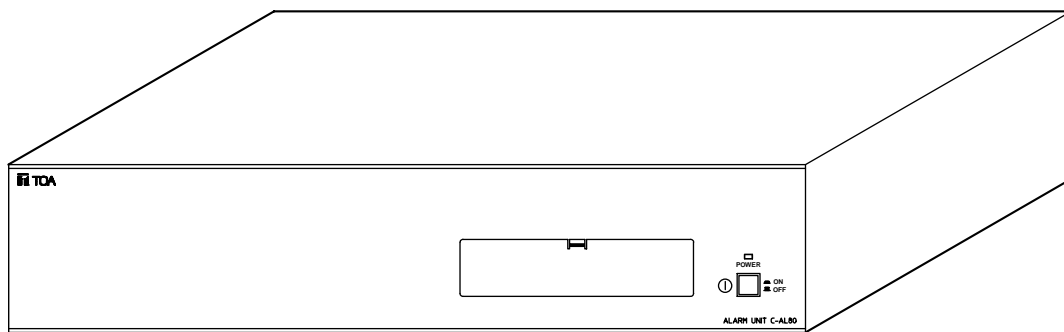
ALARM INPUT UNIT

C-AL80(L)
C-AL80(H)

Note
The C-AL80 Alarm Input Unit is designed to be used in conjunction with TOA's C-RM500 Remote Controller to enable their alarm operations or remote control. Thus, the C-AL80 Alarm Input Unit can only be used while connected to a C-RM500 Remote Controller.

Thank you for purchasing TOA's Alarm Input Unit. Please carefully follow the instructions in this manual in order to ensure long, trouble-free use of your Alarm Input Unit.

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1. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

• Before installation or use, be sure to carefully read all the instructions in this section in order to ensure long, trouble-free operation.
• Be sure to follow all the precautionary instructions in this section, which contain important warnings regarding safety.
• After reading, keep this manual handy for future reference.

Safety Symbol and Message Conventions
Safety symbols and messages are used in this manual to prevent bodily injury and property damage which could result from mishandling. The conventions of the symbols and messages are described below. Before doing anything else, read this section first so you are thoroughly aware of the potential safety hazards as well as understanding the safety symbols and messages.

⚠ **WARNING** — Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which could result in death or serious personal injury if ignored or mishandled.

When Installing the Alarm Input Unit…

• Do not expose the unit to rain or an environment where it may be splashed by water or other liquids, as doingotherwise may result in fire or electric shock.
• Use the unit only with the voltage specified on the unit. Using a voltage other than that which is specified may result in fire or electric shock.
• Do not cut, kink, or otherwise damage or modify the power supply cord. Also, avoid using the power cord in close proximity to heaters, and never place heavy objects, including the unit itself, on the power cord as doing otherwise may result in fire or electric shock.
• Avoid installing or mounting the unit in unstable locations, such as on a rickety table or a slanted surface. Failure to follow this instruction may result in the unit falling down and causing personal injury.
• Do not install the unit in close proximity to medical equipment since the electromagnetic wave from the unit may adversely affect the medical equipment.

When Using the Alarm Input Unit…

• Do not place cups, bowls, or other containers of liquids or metal objects on top of the unit. If they accidentally spill into the unit, this may cause a fire or electric shock.
• Do not insert foreign objects, such as metal objects and flammable materials, into the unit through the unit's ventilation slots, as this may result in fire or electric shock.
• Do not touch a power supply plug during thunder and lightning, as this may result in an electric shock.
• Do not open nor modify the unit's case to prevent a fire or electric shock because there are high voltage components inside the unit. Refer all inspection, adjustment and repair work to the dealer from where the unit was purchased.
• Should any of the following irregularities be found during use, immediately switch off the power, disconnect the power supply cord from the AC outlet and contact your TOA dealer. Do not attempt to further use the unit because a fire or electric shock may result.
   • If you detect smoke or a strange smell coming from the unit.
   • If water or a foreign object enters the unit.
   • If the unit falls or the unit case breaks.
   • If the power supply cord is damaged (exposure of core or disconnection).
   • If no image is displayed.

⚠ **CAUTION**	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which could result in moderate or minor personal injury, and/or property damage if ignored or mishandled.

When Installing the Alarm Input Unit
• Never insert nor remove the power supply plug with wet hands, as an electric shock may result.
• When unplugging the power supply cord, be sure to grasp the power supply plug; never pull on the cord itself. The power supply cord may be damaged, possibly causing a fire or electric shock.
• Do not block the ventilation slots in the unit's cover. Doing otherwise may cause heat to build up inside the unit, possibly causing a fire.
• Avoid installing the unit in humid or dusty locations, in locations exposed to the direct sunlight, near the heaters, or in locations generating sooty smoke or steam as doing otherwise may result in fire or electric shock.
• When moving the unit, be sure to remove its power supply cord from the wall outlet. Moving the unit with the power cord connected to the outlet may cause damage to the power cord, resulting in fire or electric shock.
• When mounting the C-AL80 Alarm Input Unit in an equipment rack, ensure that the temperature inside the rack is lower than its maximum ambient temperature.

When Using the Alarm Input Unit
• Do not place heavy objects on the unit. Such objects may fall or the unit may tip over, possibly resulting in personal injury.
• Clean the inside of the unit periodically, and contact your TOA dealer regarding the cleaning. If dust is allowed to accumulate in the unit over a long period of time, a fire may result.
• If dust accumulates on the power supply plug or in the wall AC outlet, a fire may result. Clean them periodically. Also, insert the plug in the wall outlet securely.
• Switch off the power and unplug the power supply plug from the AC outlet for safety purposes when cleaning or leaving the unit unused for a long period of time. A fire or electric shock may result.

L version complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules.

> **Note**
> This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.
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> **Modifications**
> Any modifications made to this device that are not approved by TOA Corporation may void the authority granted to the user by the FCC to operate this equipment.

2. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Using no-voltage contact inputs, TOA's C-AL80 Alarm Input Unit activates the remote controller's alarm facilities or remotely controls the remote controller. The C-AL80 has a total of 32 alarm or remote inputs. By making master-sub connections, up to 8 C-AL80 units can be connected to each other, creating a total of 256 alarm/ remote inputs.

3. HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

• Use the C-AL80 Unit in locations where the temperature fluctuates in the range of 0 – 40°C, and humidity is under 90% (no condensation must be formed).
• When permanently installing the Unit, avoid blocking ventilation slots in the Unit's cover and bottom panel, and keep the Unit's front, rear, and sides at least 10 cm from the wall. Doing otherwise may cause heat to build up inside the Unit and result in the Unit's failure.

4. NOMENCLATURE AND FUNCTIONS

[Front Panel]

Cover

The inside of the cover
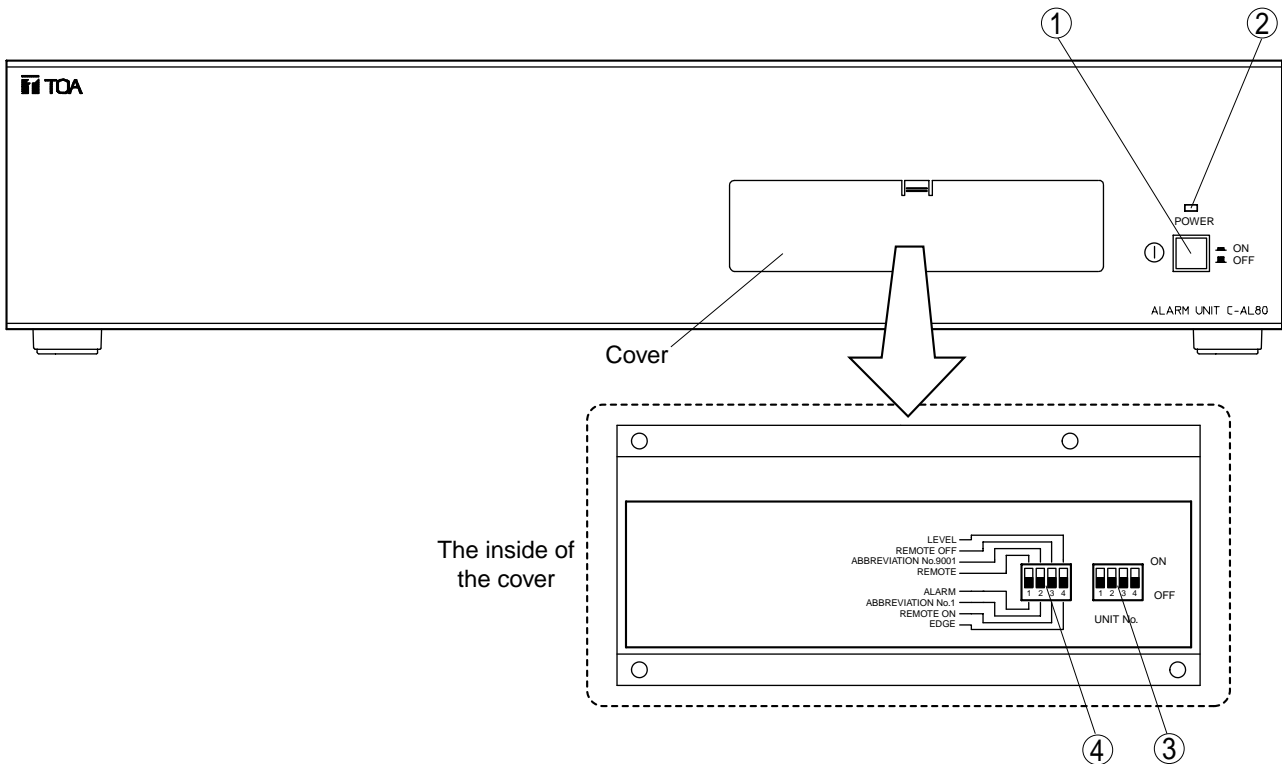
(1) Power Switch [ON/OFF ⏻]

Used to turn power on and off.

(2) Power Indicator

Lights when the Power switch is set to ON.

(3) Unit No. Setting Switch [ON/OFF]

Used to set the unit number when performing master/slave connections (cascade connections) for multiple C-AL80 units. Up to 8 units can be connected for the "Master/Slave" relations. (Refer to p. 19; Master/Slave Connections.)

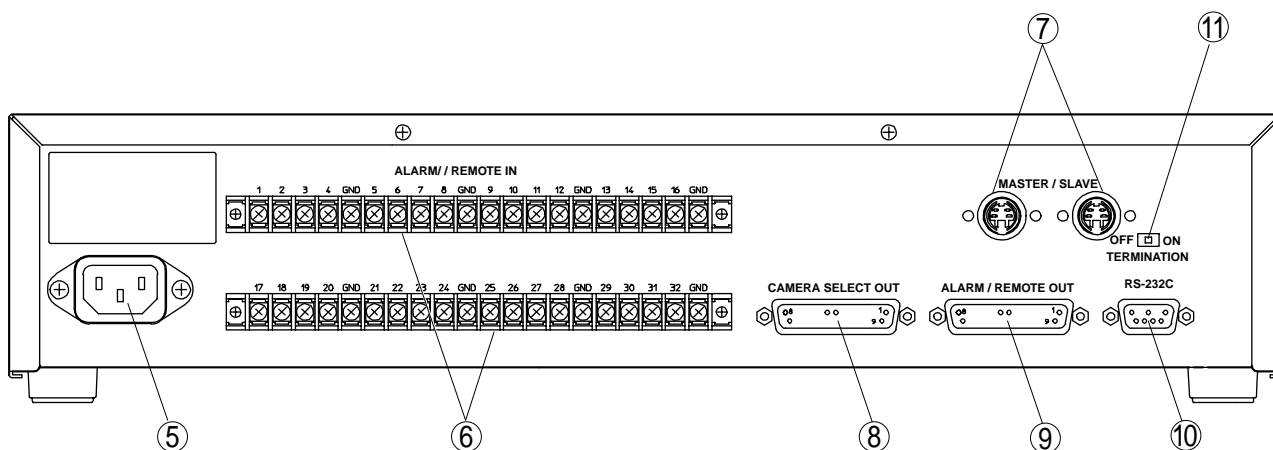## (4) Mode Selection Switch [Alarm/Remote, Abbreviation No. 1–/Abbreviation No. 9001–, Remote ON/Remote OFF, Edge/Level]

(From left to right)
1) Switches the rear panel-mounted terminal block input between "Alarm" and "Remote" mode.
2) It cannot be used.
3) It cannot be used.
4) Switches the alarm interval between "Edge" and "Level."

For more information on, refer to p. 9; Mode Selection Switch Setting.

[Rear Panel]

(5) Power Inlet

Connects to the supplied power supply cord.

(6) Alarm/Remote Input Terminal [Alarm/Remote Input]

Use the Mode Selection switch (4) to perform input function settings. When set to "Alarm" input, an alarm can be activated from such external devices as sensors connected to this terminal. When set to "Remote" input, this terminal permits the selection of the camera connected to the Remote Controller. (Refer to p. 11; Using the Alarm/Remote Function.)

(7) Master/Slave Terminal [Master/Slave] (Non LPS)

These input and output terminals are used to make master/slave connections for multiple C-AL80 Units. The master/slave connection is possible for up to 8 C-AL80 units. Both left and right terminals provide the same function.

(8) Camera Selection Output Terminal [Camera Selection Output]

It cannot be used.

(9) Alarm/Remote Output Terminal [Alarm/Remote Output]

It cannot be used.

(10) RS-232C Terminal [RS-232C] (Non LPS)

Connects to the Remote Controller's RS-232C terminal.

(11) RS-485 Termination Switch [Termination]

Used for master/slave connection of multiple C-AL80 Units.

5. MODE SELECTION SWITCH SETTINGS

Perform settings of Alarm/Remote input, and alarm intervals here.

Note
Make sure that the Power switch is set to OFF when setting each Mode Selection switch. The Mode switch is not correctly set if the Power switch is set to ON.

5.1. Alarm/Remote Input Settings

Using Mode Selection switch 1, select either "Alarm" or "Remote" for Alarm/Remote input. Set the switch to the lower "Alarm" position when selecting "Alarm," and to the upper "Remote" position when selecting "Remote." The "Alarm" position permits alarm indication to be displayed and a buzzer to be sounded when there is an alarm signal input. However, when a master/slave connection is established, only the master unit's setting is valid. (Factory-preset position: Alarm)
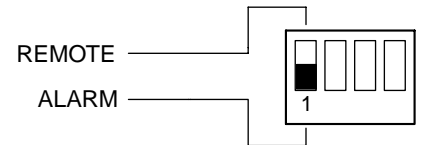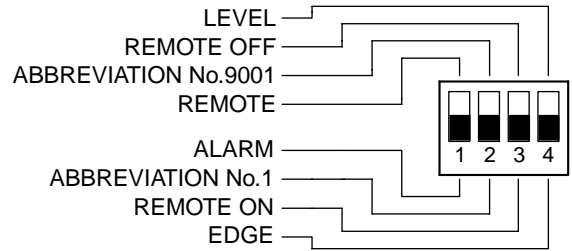
5.2. Abbreviation Number Settings

Please fix to the "Abbreviation No. 1–,"
(Factory-preset position: "Abbreviation No. 1–,")
In the event of the slave unit, its abbreviation number increases in increment of 32. Thus, each Alarm Unit's Alarm/Remote inputs 1 – 32 correspond to the abbreviation numbers shown in the below table.
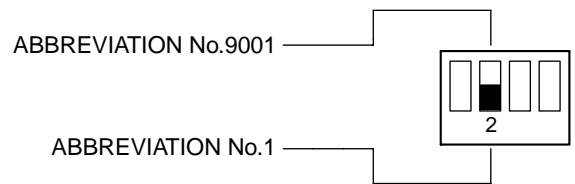
• **Alarm/Remote input Nos. 1 – 32 vs. corresponding abbreviation Nos.**

Master Unit's Switch Setting	Master Unit 1	Slave Unit 2	Slave Unit 3	Slave Unit 4	Slave Unit 5	Slave Unit 6	Slave Unit 7	Slave Unit 8
	1〜32	33〜64	65〜96	97〜128	129〜160	161〜192	193〜224	225〜256

Note
The C-AL80 uses the abbreviation numbers to perform alarm activation or remote control for the Remote Control. Therefore, the abbreviation numbers must be preprogrammed into the Remote Controller.

5.3. Alarm/Remote Output Settings

It cannot be used.
Please fix to the "Remote OFF"
 (Factory-preset position: "Remote OFF")

REMOTE OFF

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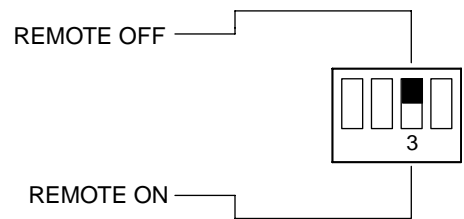
REMOTE ON

5.4. Alarm Interval Settings

Set the alarm time interval to "Edge" or "Level" with Model Selection switch 4.

Selecting "Edge" causes the system to operate on alarm for a specified period of time (Alarm Interval set by the Remote Controller) when an alarm signal is received. If "Level" is selected, the system continues to operate on alarm as long as an alarm signal is input. In this event, the alarm cannot be reset with the Alarm Reset key of the Remote Controller.

Set Mode switch 4 to the lower "Edge" position to select Edge, and upper "Level" position to select Level. When a master/slave connection is established, only the master unit's setting is valid. (Factory-preset position: Edge)

LEVEL

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EDGE
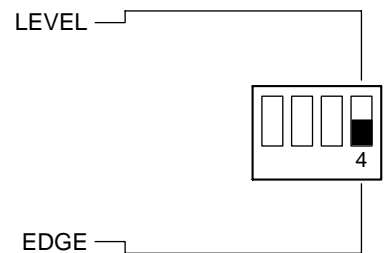
6. USING THE ALARM/REMOTE FUNCTION

6.1. Alarm/Remote Input

The Alarm/Remote input terminals on the rear panel are designed to be used for both alarm and remote inputs. Select either input with the Mode Selection switch. (Refer to p. 7.)

Alarm input: Enables spot alarm operations using such external equipment as sensors.
Remote input: Selects the channel and position of the camera corresponding to the abbreviation number when shorted to GND.
(Only the channel is selected for other cameras than the Combination Camera.)
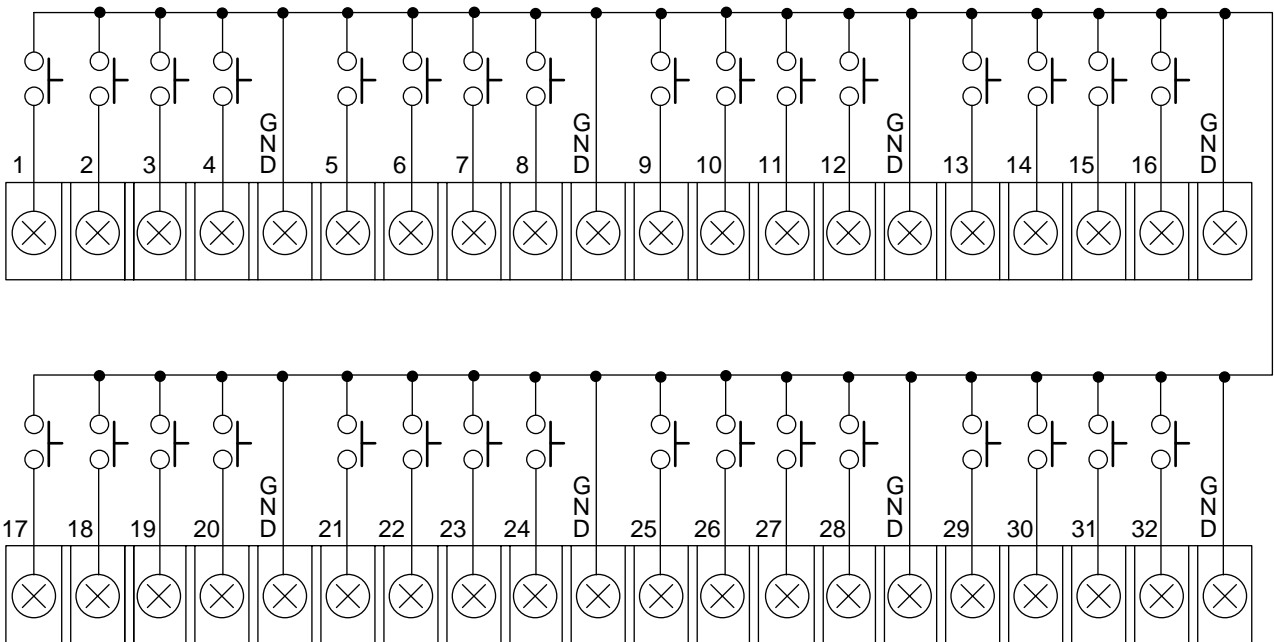
• **Electrical Alarm/Remote Input Specifications**
Input: 32 channels, no-voltage make contact input
Open Voltage: 5 VDC
Short-circuit Current: Max. 5 mA

6.2. Alarm/Remote Output

It cannot be used.

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7. CONNECTION EXAMPLE

7.1. Connection to the C-RM500 Remote Controller

RS-232C reverse cable
D-sub 9 pins/female to D-sub 9 pins/female

C-RM500

Camera control terminal

Switcher control terminal

+GND− +GND−

Alarm input terminal
RS-232C

Fixed cameras

Twisted pair shielded cable

Multi-Switcher
C-MS161D

Video input

Input

Input

Video input/output

+ GND −
Input

+ GND −
Output

Alarm input/output

Dedicated remote control terminal

Monitor output

Remote control termination: OFF

A + 1
B − 2
A + 3
B − 4
5

Camera control cable

Alarm input cable

1
4
6
9
5,10   Sensor

Combination camera

+ 1
− 2
+ 3
− 4
5

Camera control cable

Alarm input cable

1
4
6
9
5,10   Sensor

Monitor

Combination camera

The use of each camera's alarm input permits up to 8 sensors to be connected for each camera.

Sensor

Alarm Input Unit
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Alarm/Remote Input

RS-232C

Master Unit

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7.2. Master/Slave Connection Example

For details about unit number settings, etc., refer to p. 19; Master/Slave Connections.

RS-485 Termination switch (11)

Unit Number Setting switch (3)

C-AL80 Alarm Input Unit
Master Unit

OFF ■ ON
Termination

Unit No.

AC100V

Unit Number Setting switch (3)

RS-485 Termination switch (11)

Slave Unit 1

OFF ■ ON
Termination

Unit No.

AC100V

Unit Number Setting switch (3)

RS-485 Termination switch (11)

Slave Unit 2

OFF ■ ON
Termination

Unit No.

AC100V

To Slave Unit 3

RS-485 Termination switch (11)

Unit Number Setting switch (3)

From Slave Unit 6

OFF ■ ON
Termination

Slave Unit 7

Unit No.

AC100V

Note
Set the RS-485 Termination switch of only the master unit and the last slave unit to ON.

8. MASTER/SLAVE CONNECTIONS

An entire system can have up to 256 Alarm/Remote inputs through master/slave connections (cascade connections) of up to 8 C-AL80 Units.
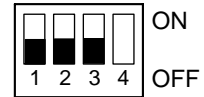
8.1 Unit Number Settings

Be sure to set the unit number when making master/slave connections.
Because each component is factory-preset to the unit number for individual use (same setting as the master unit), change the number when making a master/slave connection.

Note
Make sure that the Power switch is set to OFF when changing each switch setting. The system does not operate correctly if the change is made with the Power switch set to ON.

Unit Number

Settings
Use Unit No. Setting switches 1 – 3 to perform settings. Refer to the following table for switch settings of the master unit and slave units. Assign slave unit numbers in consecutive order with the lowest number first. Be sure that no numbers are duplicated.

	Master Unit	Slave Unit 1	Slave Unit 2	Slave Unit 3	Slave Unit 4	Slave Unit 5	Slave Unit 6	Slave Unit 7
Unit No. switch setting	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4

8.2. Master/Slave Terminal Connections

Connect the Master/Slave terminals of all C-AL80 units to be included in the master/slave connection in order of the unit number. Set the RS-485 Termination switch of the master unit and the last-connected slave unit (highest unit number) to ON, and those of other units to OFF. Set the Termination switch to OFF when using the unit individually. (Factory-preset position: OFF.)
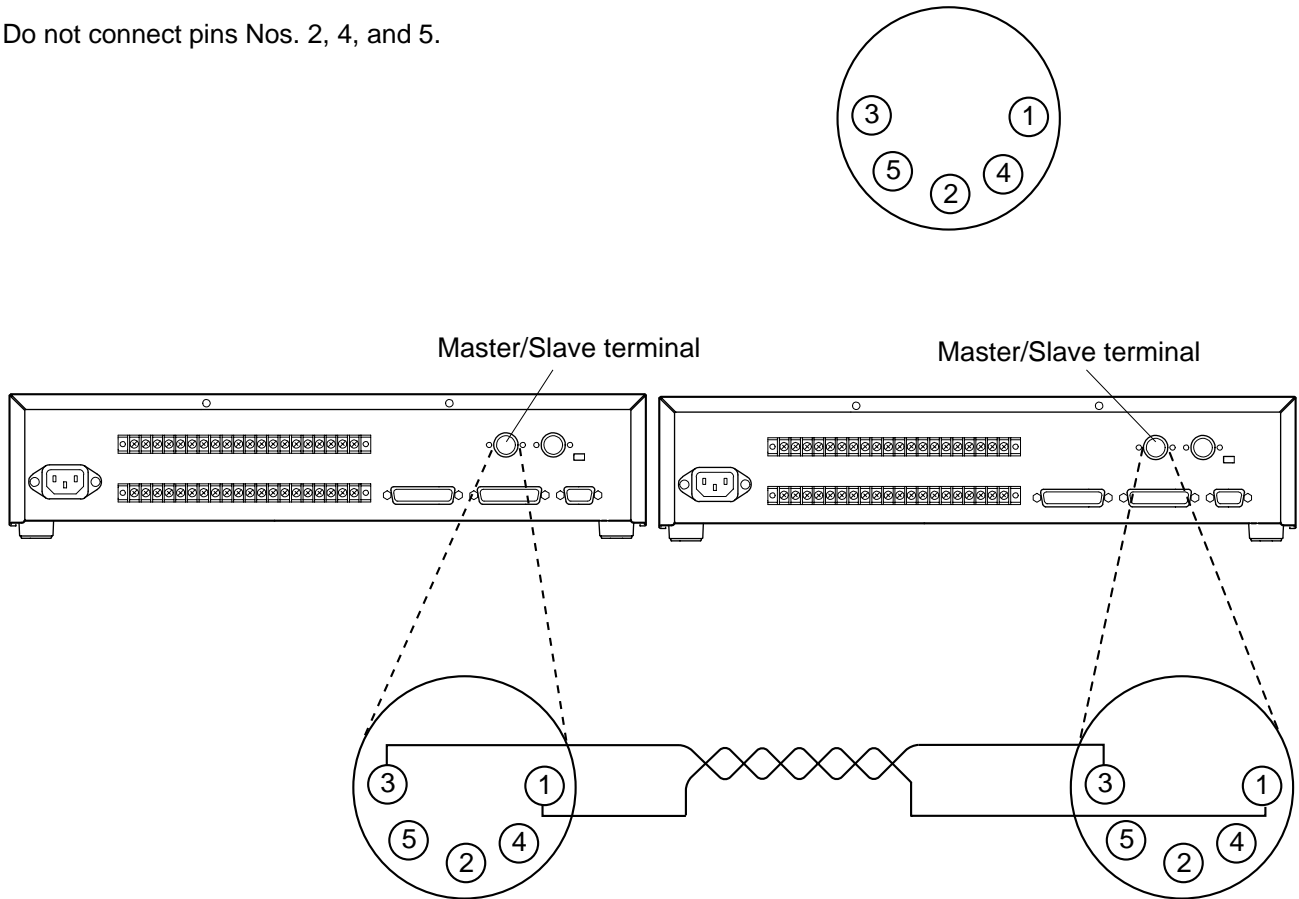
Note
The system does not operate correctly when the unit number is not correctly set, when the unit numbers are duplicated or not consecutive or when the BS-485 Termination switch is not correctly set.

• Master/Slave Terminal Cable Type

Use the supplied DIN plug and the twisted pair cable with plug for connection between the Master/Slave terminals. Refer to the figure shown below and note the correct polarity when making the connection.

Pin No. 1 – Pin No. 1 → Control signal (positive)
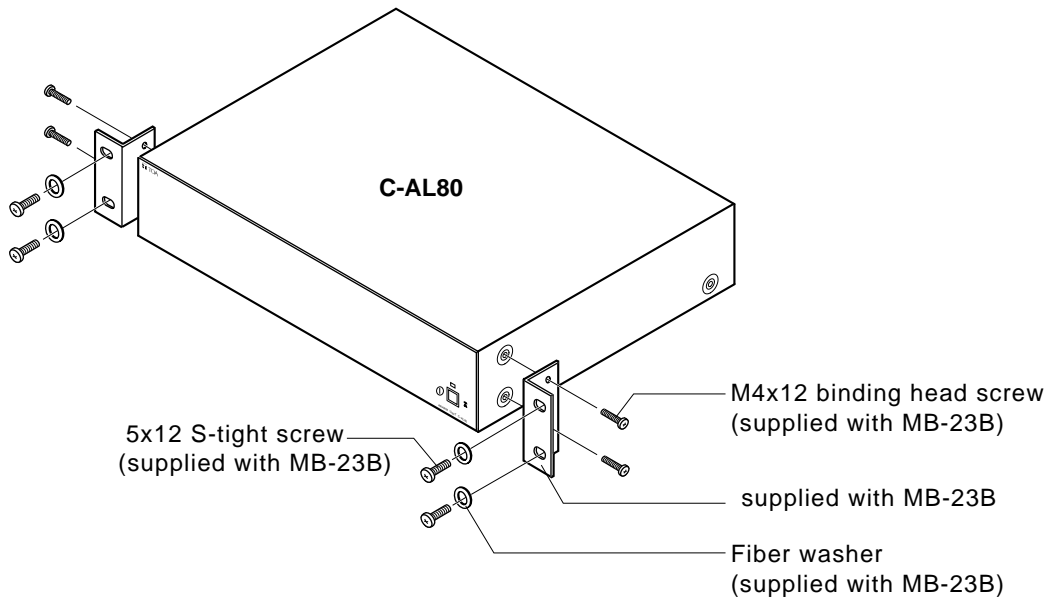Pin No. 3 – Pin No. 3 → Control signal (negative)

Do not connect pins Nos. 2, 4, and 5.

Note
Incorrect wiring may result in the unit's failure.
The maximum cable length is 1.2km.

9. RACK MOUNTING

When mounting the C-AL80 Unit in an equipment rack, remove 4 plastic feet on the bottom plate and attach an optional MB-23B mounting bracket.

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M4x12 binding head screw
(supplied with MB-23B)

5x12 S-tight screw
(supplied with MB-23B)

supplied with MB-23B

Fiber washer
(supplied with MB-23B)

Note
• Use the Alarm Input Unit in locations with ambient temperature of between +0°C and +40°C.
• Be sure to mount the Alarm Input Unit below the heat generating components, and mount the perforated panel between the Alarm Input Unit and such a heat generating component as required.
• Avoid installing the Alarm Input Unit in locations exposed to vibration.

10. IF A FAILURE IS DETECTED... (TROUBLESHOOTING)

Symptom	Cause
Cannot switch power on.	• The supplied AC cord is not connected to the C-AL80 Unit's Power inlet and AC outlet.
Cannot activate an alarm.	• The C-AL80 Unit is not correctly connected to the Remote Controller. • The C-AL80 Unit's Mode Selection switch is not set to "Alarm." • [Sensor Alarm] is not set to "ON" on the Remote Controller menu. • Abbreviation number corresponding to the Remote Controller is not registered. • If a master/slave connection has been established, the Unit Number Setting switch, Mode Selection switch or RS-485 Termination switch is not correctly set. Cables are not correctly connected between the C-AL80 Units.
Cannot remotely control the Remote Controller.	• The C-AL80 Unit's is not correctly connected to the Remote Controller. • The C-AL80 Unit's Mode Selection switch is not set to "Remote." • Abbreviation number corresponding to the Remote Controller is not registered. • If a master/slave connection has bee established, the Unit Number Setting switch, Mode Selection switch or RS-485 Termination switch is not correctly set. Cables are not correctly connected the C-AL80 Units.
Power LED flashes.	• If a master/slave connection has been established, the Unit Number Setting switch, Mode Selection switch or RS-485 Termination switch is not correctly set. Cables are not correctly connected between the C-AL80 Units.

11. SPECIFICATIONS

[C-AL80(L), C-AL80(H)]

Power Source	(L) : AC110 – 120 V, 50/60 Hz	(H) : AC220 – 240 V, 50/60 Hz
Power Consumption	3 W(60 mA)	6 W(60 mA)
Alarm/ Remote Input	32 channels, no-voltage make contact input, open voltage : 5V DC, short-circuit current : max. 5 mA, M3 screw terminal, distance between barriers : 7.62 mm	
Control Input/ Output	1 channel, RS-232C, D-sub connector (9P, male) (only valid for master unit), fixse to 38,400 bps	
Master/ sub Connection Terminal	2 channels, RS-485, maxmum cable length : 1200 m, DIN connector (5P)	
Alarm Reset Input	1 channel, no-voltage make contact input, open voltage: 5V DC, short-circuit current : max 5 mA, D-sub connector (25P)	
Setting Switches	Master/ Sleve : 3-bits DIP switch (Selection of Master or Slave 1 – 7)	
	Alarm/ Remote : 1-bits DIP switch (Alarm/ Remote selection)	
	Alarm time : 1-bit DIP switch (Edge/ Level selection)	
	RS-485 terminal : Rear-mounted slide switch	
	(RS-485 termination, Enable/Disable selection)	
Application	indoor use	
Operating Temperature	0°C to +40°C	
Finish	Panel : Alminum extrusion, black, 30% gloss	
	Case : Pre-coated steel plate, black, 30% gloss	
Dimensions	420 (W) x 96.6 (H) x 335.8 (D) mm	
Weight	3.6 kg	

The above specifications are subject to change without notice.

• **Accessories**

Power cord (2 m) 1
5-pin DIN plug 2
RS-232C cable (2 m) 1
25-pin D-sub connector 2

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