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**MODELS**

**2-120**

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**Outdoor Warning Sirens**

**INSTALLATION, OPERATION & SERVICE  
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- If suitable warning equipment is not selected, the installation site for the siren is not selected properly or the siren is not installed properly, it may not produce the intended optimum audible warning. Follow Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recommendations.
- If sirens are not activated in a timely manner when an emergency condition exists, they cannot provide the intended audible warning. It is imperative that knowledgeable people, who are provided with the necessary information, are available at all times to authorize the activation of the sirens.
- When sirens are used out of doors, people indoors may not be able to hear the warning signals. Separate warning devices or procedures may be needed to effectively warn people indoors.
- The sound output of sirens is capable of causing permanent hearing damage. To prevent excessive exposure, carefully plan siren placement, post warnings, and restrict access to areas near sirens.
- Activating the sirens may not result in people taking the desired actions if those to be warned are not properly trained about the meaning of siren sounds. Siren users should follow FEMA recommendations and instruct those to be warned of correct actions to be taken.
- A siren that doesn't work won't provide any warning. After installation, service, or maintenance, test the siren system to confirm that it is operating properly. Test the system regularly to confirm that it will be operational in an emergency.
- If future service and operating personnel do not have these instructions to refer to, the siren system may not provide the intended audible warning and service personnel may be exposed to death, permanent hearing loss, or other bodily injury. File these instructions in a safe place and refer to them periodically. Give a copy of these instructions to new recruits and trainees. Also give a copy to anyone who is going to service or repair the siren.

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- The sound output of sirens is capable of causing permanent hearing damage. To prevent excessive exposure, carefully plan siren placement, post warnings and restrict access to areas near the sirens. Sirens may be operated from remote control points. Whenever possible, disconnect all siren power including batteries before working near the siren.
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- Failure to understand the capabilities and limitations of your siren system could result in permanent hearing loss, other serious injuries or death to persons too close to the sirens when you activate them or to those you need to warn. Carefully read and thoroughly understand all safety notices in this manual and all operations-related-items in all instruction manuals shipped with equipment. Thoroughly discuss all contingency plans with those responsible for warning people in your community, company, or jurisdiction.

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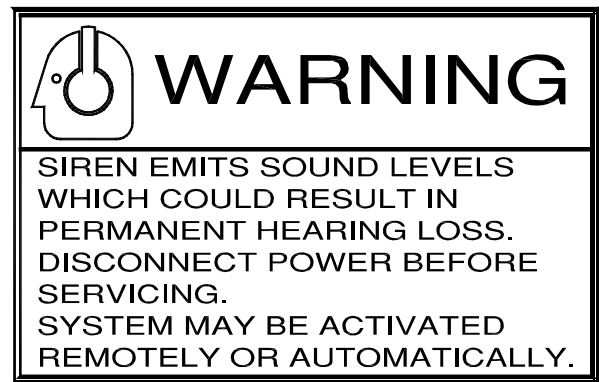
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Read and understand the information contained in this manual, before attempting to install or service the siren.

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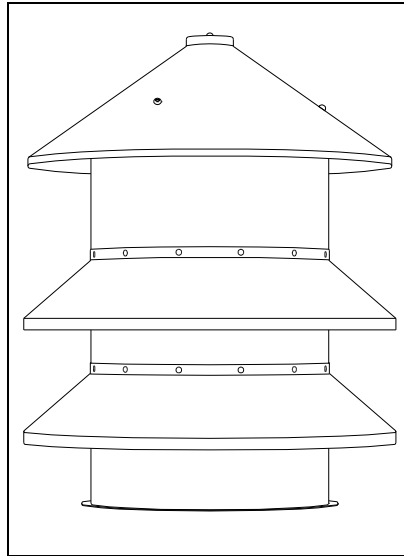


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# SECTION I

## CHARACTERISTICS



*Figure 1-1. Model 2 Siren*

### 1-1. SCOPE OF THIS MANUAL

This service manual describes the characteristics, specifications, installation, controls, theory of operation and servicing of the Federal Signal Model 2 Outdoor Warning Siren.

### 1.2. GENERAL

The Federal Signal Model 2 Outdoor Warning Sirens are omni-directional sirens that are capable of producing high intensity warning signals over a large area. Federal Signal provides mounting hardware that enables the user to install a siren on a utility pole or on the roof of a building. As a result, the siren can be installed in almost any situation. The high efficiency of these siren models enables them to produce a high sound level while making moderate demands on the power source.

### 1-3. SIREN DESCRIPTION

The Model 2 Siren (Figure 1-1) is a 102dB single tone siren.

The Model 2 siren mechanism is enclosed in a sheet metal housing. A conical dome is mounted on the top of the housing and two truncated conical cowls are attached to the housing, approximately one-third and two-thirds along the height of the housing.

A Model RC2W Motor Starter is required to operate the siren. The Model 2 uses a 120 or 240 volt universal motor that can operate from either dc or 25-60Hz single-phase AC.

### 1.4. MECHANICAL DESCRIPTION



The mechanism of all siren models covered in this manual consists of a vertically installed motor with a stator attached to the motor housing, and a rotor mounted on the drive-shaft concentric to the stator. The rotor and stator each contain at least one row of ports. As the motor rotates the rotor, air is drawn through an intake tube, and passes through the rotor and stator ports in pulses. These pulses are produced because the rotor alternately opens and closes the stator ports. The pulses of air produce sound at a frequency (pitch) that is dependent on the instantaneous rotational speed of the motor, and the number of ports in the rotor-stator combination.

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## 1-5. CONTROL DESCRIPTION

### A. Models RC2W-120 (120VAC), AND RC2W-240 (240VAC)

The Model RC2W Motor Starters are basically a heavy-duty relay that is required for the starting and operating current of a Model 2 siren. The RC2W is enclosed in a NEMA type 3R enclosure. The unit must be installed on a vertical surface.

### B. Models FC (1-way status), or FCTB (2-way status) Controllers

The *FC*, or *FCTB* siren control units provide RF and/or wire line control of individually programmable timing cycles for contact closure outputs. The versatility of the *FC* makes it an ideal choice for virtually all siren control applications or any other process that can be controlled via relay contacts.

The microprocessor based controller contains the following features:

- *Synthesized Radio Receiver (Low Band, High Band, or UHF - 3 separate models)*
- *Two-Tone and DTMF Decoders*
- *Up to 4 Individually Programmable Output Relays*
- *Siren Tone Generator*
- *Push Buttons for Local Control*
- *Contact Closure Inputs for Land Line Control*
- *RS232 Programming Port*
- *Diagnostic LED's*
- *Programmability*

All functions of the *FC* controller are programmable from a current WINDOWS compatible computer with an RS232 port using Federal Signal's easy to use *FSPWARE* programming software. The software allows easy configuration, uploading and downloading of control programs.

Programming options include:

- *Radio Receiver Frequency*
- *Single and Two-Tone Sequential Decode Tones & Tone Lengths*
- *DTMF Decode Digits*
- *Output Relay Timing Patterns*
- *Tone Generation Frequencies & Durations*

Up to six (6) control timing sequences may be programmed into the controller. Standard siren control timings can be chosen or custom relay output timings can be designed. The control functions can be activated from any combination of six (6) Single Tone, Two Tone Sequential and/or DTMF tones. Timing sequences can also be initiated using the local push buttons and contact closure inputs.

Configuration programs are stored in nonvolatile E<sup>2</sup> memory to ensure retention even during a complete power failure.

### C. Model AR Timer

The Federal Signal Model AR Timer contains the devices necessary for the control of all the vertical sirens described in this manual. It is an electromechanical timer that causes the associated siren motor starter to activate the siren. The AR Timer is capable of controlling a three-minute “Attack” signal and a three-minute “Alert” signal. The timer has a priority circuit that provides “Attack” with priority over “Alert”. If the “Attack” signal is initiated while the siren is producing the “Alert” signal, the “Attack” siren signal automatically overrides the “Alert” signal for the remainder of the three-minute cycle.

The AR Timer has a Test and a Cancel function. Depressing the TEST button causes the siren to produce a sustained signal that is identical to the “Alert” signal except that the signal is produced only for the time that the push-button is depressed.

The CANCEL push-button causes the siren signal in progress to cease immediately. This function can be used in the event that an error was made in the selection of a signal. Another signal can be initiated after the CANCEL push-button is pressed. However, the second signal sounds only for the remainder of the three-minute timer cycle. The Cancel function can also be used if it is necessary for “Alert” to override “Attack”. To over-ride “Attack” with “Alert,” press the CANCEL push-button while “Attack” is sounding, and then press ALERT.

## 1-6. SIGNAL DESCRIPTION

All of the vertical sirens are capable of providing a sustained steady signal, and a wailing signal. The steady signal is frequently used as a Civil Defense “Alert” signal. The wailing signal is often used as a Civil Defense “Attack”. However, the signal can be used for any desired indication. These signals are shown graphically in Figure 1-2 for both single tone and dual tone vertical siren models.

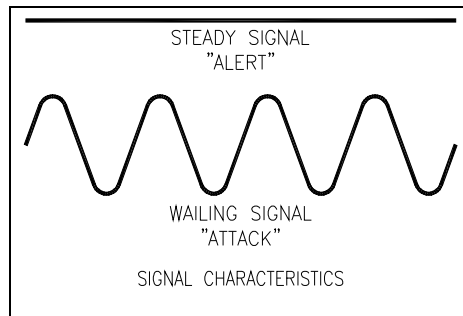


Figure 1-2. Signal Characteristics

## SECTION II SPECIFICATIONS

### 2-1. MODEL 2.

Power Requirements.....	120Vac/dc, single-phase 24A. or 240Vac/dc, single-phase 12A.
Physical	
Diameter .....	18" (46 cm)
Height .....	25.5" (65 cm)
Shipping Weight.....	85 lb. (36 kg.)
Miscellaneous	
Sound Output.....	102dBC at 100 ft.      (30.5m - Model 2)
Motor Type.....	Single phase ball bearing, universal series 120Vac/dc, or single phase ball bearing universal series 240V ac /dc
Power .....	2 HP
Top Frequency	
Single Tone .....	533Hz (60Hz) or 444Hz (50Hz)

## **SECTION III INSTALLATON**

### **DANGER**

Electrocution or severe personal injury can occur when making electrical connections, drilling holes, or lifting equipment. Therefore, installation should be performed by experienced electricians in accordance with national and local electrical codes.

### **3-1. SIREN LOCATION**

The information in this section provides guidelines to aid the user in the selection of an installation site that makes the best possible use of the siren.

### **WARNING**

The output levels of the Model 2 siren are capable of causing permanent hearing damage. To prevent excessive exposure, carefully plan placement of siren and post warnings.

If the siren is being installed as part of a Civil Defense Warning system, always follow Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recommendations.

Careful consideration of the factors affecting the propagation of sound from the siren and the response of the human ear to the sound will optimize the ability of the siren to effectively warn the community.

The reduction of signal intensity, as the distance from the siren increases and the minimum desired signal level at the fringe of the area to be covered are important considerations when choosing a siren installation site. As the distance from the siren increases, sound level losses accumulate. These losses are a result of weather conditions, the terrain, and obstructions in the sound path, the pitch of the sound and the height of the siren. Optimum sound propagation conditions exist when there are no obstructions in the sound path, the terrain is flat, and the air is calm. Under these conditions, each time the distance from the siren is doubled, the sound level decreases by approximately 8dB. For example, the sound level 100 feet (30.5m) from a Model 2 is 102dB, at 200 feet (61m), the sound level drops to 94dB; at 400 feet (122m) the sound level drops to 86dB; etc. This is referred to as the “loss per distance doubled”.

A loss per distance doubled of 8dB is seldom experienced. This is because buildings and other obstructions are frequently present in the sound path. In addition, the atmosphere is rarely calm, and the terrain may not be flat. As a result, a typical loss per distance doubled in residential areas may be 10dB, and as high as 12dB in areas having tall buildings.

Experience indicates that an individual with normal hearing will probably hear a warning signal whose intensity is at least as high as the ambient noise level.

Experience has also shown that the ambient noise level in industrial districts is typically 90dB. Therefore, for a person to hear a warning signal in an industrial area, the sound level intensity of that signal must also be approximately 90dB. In this situation, any point receiving a signal having less than 90dB intensity is considered to be outside the effective range of the siren.

In business districts an ambient noise level of 80dB is common and in residential areas, 70dB of ambient noise is typical. Assuming a 10dB loss per distance doubled and a 70dB minimum sound level, the effective range of a

Model 2 is approximately 910 feet (278m).

Wind speed and direction often affect the propagation of sound from the siren. Consequently, the direction of the prevailing wind may also be a factor to consider when selecting the installation site(s) of a small, one or two-siren system. For example, if the prevailing wind is from the west, it may be desirable to install the siren toward the western edge of the area to be covered.

Other factors to consider before selecting the installation site include the availability of electrical power, the ease of installation and maintenance, and the height of surrounding obstructions.

### **3-2. PHYSICAL INSTALLATION**

#### **WARNING**

Moving parts could cause severe cuts or amputation. DO NOT reach into the siren openings.

#### **A. GENERAL**

Most siren installations are one of two types; Pole Mount or Flat Surface Mount. These two configurations make it possible to install a siren in almost any situation. If neither of the installations in this paragraph is suitable, modification of one of the configurations described may be necessary. Contact the factory for further assistance.

A siren is typically installed 35 to 40 feet above the ground. If the installation is less than 35 feet above the ground, the sound intensity at close range may increase, but the effective range of the siren may be reduced. Conversely, if the siren is located more than 40 feet above the ground, the effective range of the siren may increase, but the sound may skip over areas closer to the siren. These variables may make it desirable to test the sound coverage of the siren at various heights and locations whenever possible. ALWAYS insure that the air intakes are clear when the siren is being tested and when it is installed at its final location.

#### **1. Model 2 (Pole Mounting)**

A Model PMS Pole Mounting Stand is required when mounting the Model 2 on a utility pole. The PMS consists of a mounting plate, three angle iron legs, six 1/2"-13 x 2" hex head cap screws, six 1/2"-13 nuts, and six 1/2" lock washers.

- (a) Uncrate the siren and remove the siren from the shipping base.
- (b) Attach the cast iron legs of the siren mechanism to the mounting plate using 3/8" lock-washers, nuts, and bolts through the 3 slots in the mounting plate (see figure 3-1).
- (c) Set the siren housing over the siren mechanism on the mounting plate. Center the housing over the mechanism. Attach the housing to the plate using aluminum clips, 1/4" lock-washers, nuts, and bolts through the three 3/8" diameter holes (see figure 3-1 and figure 5-8).

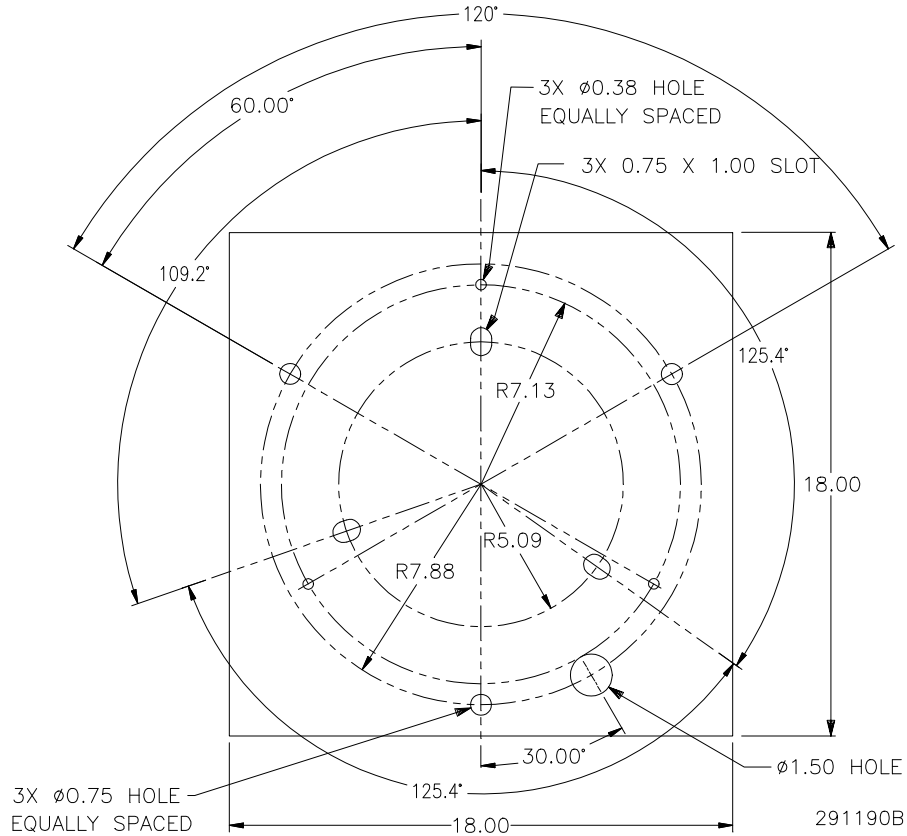


Figure 3-1. Mounting Plate Drilling Detail

(d) Lay the siren mechanism on its side and attach the three legs to the mounting plate using three angle iron clips and six 1/2"-13 nuts and bolts. Attach the legs through three .75" X 1" slotted holes indicated in figure 3-1.

(e) Dig the hole for the Class 2 utility pole and lay the pole on the ground as close as practical to the installation site.

(f) With the siren laying on its side, and the pole laying on the work surface attach the siren to the utility pole using at least two 5/8" lag bolts at least four inches long (not supplied) for each leg. If necessary, install shims between the siren legs and the pole.

(g) Wrap a cable or chain capable of bearing at least one ton around the pole-siren combination at least three times. Wrap the chain or cable around the legs of the siren. Use the chain or cable in conjunction with a crane or hoist capable of lifting at least one ton to erect the pole in accordance with accepted practice.

(h) Install the Model RC2W Motor Starter and a fused disconnect switch in a location on the pole that is readily accessible to service personnel, but discourages vandalism. The RC2W must be installed in a vertical position for proper operation. Install the electrical devices following NEC recommendations and local electrical codes. A suggested installation configuration is shown in figure 3-2.

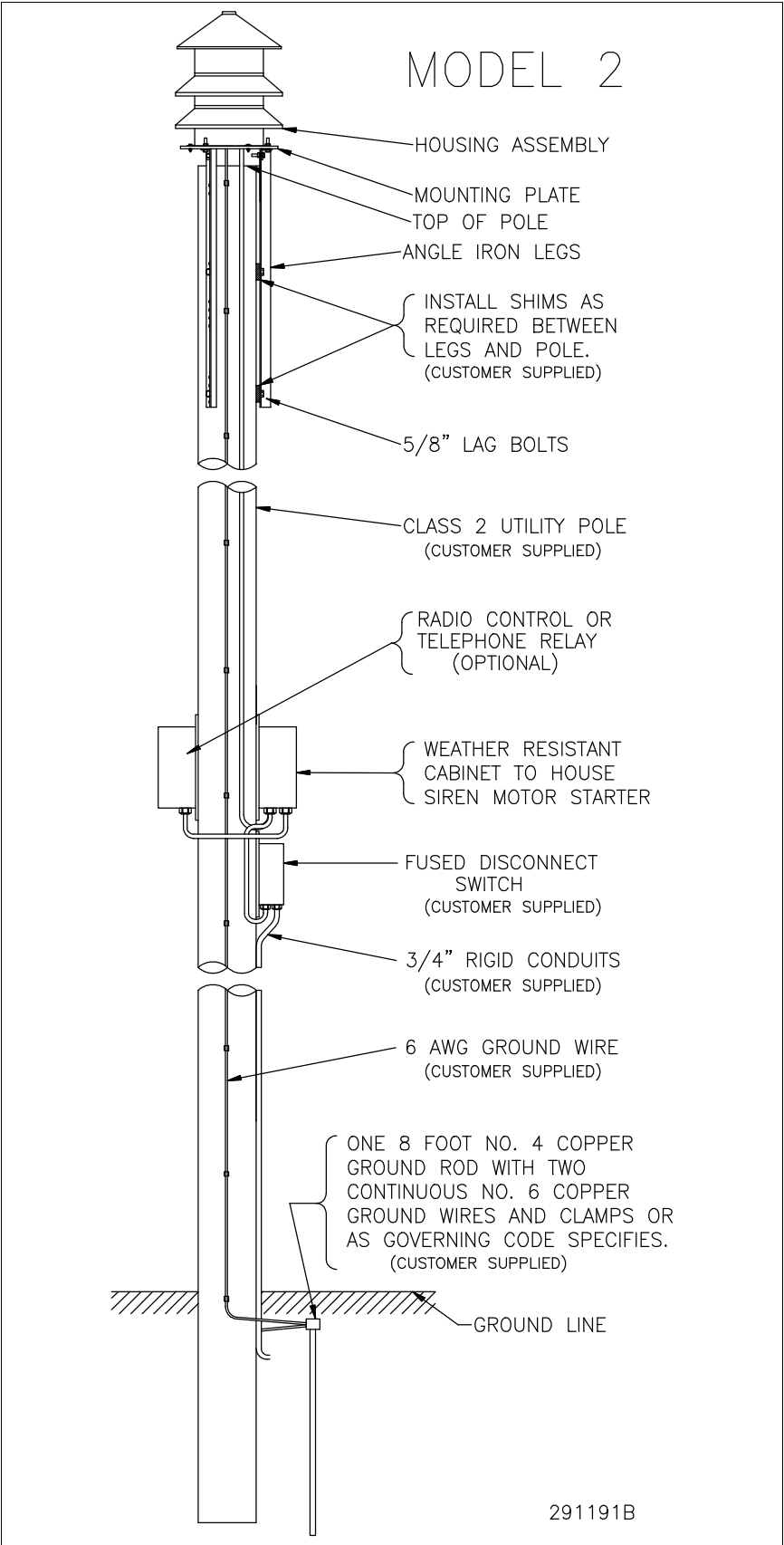


Figure 3-2. Typical Model 2 Pole-Mounted Installation

## 2. Model 2 (Flat Surface Mounting)

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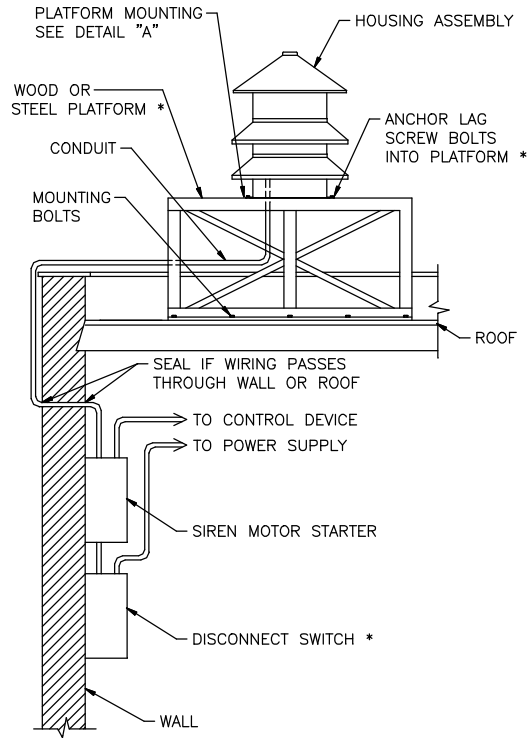
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- (a) Center the siren mechanism on the mounting surface, and using the mounting holes in the legs of the mechanism as a template, drill three 7/16" holes in the mounting surface (see figure 3-3).
- (b) Temporarily set the siren housing over the siren mechanism on the mounting plate. Center the housing over the mechanism.
- (c) Using the housing and the aluminum clips as a template, drill three 1/4" holes approximately equidistant around the circumference of the housing. Lift the housing off of the siren. It will be reinstalled later.
- (d) Mount the siren-base plate assembly on the mounting surface using lag bolts or nuts and bolts, as appropriate. Do NOT replace the housing on the siren. It will be replaced later. If the siren is mounted directly on a roof (without a platform or weight distribution mat) be sure to install waterproof joints where the mounting bolts pass through the roof so that water does not enter the building.
- (e) Install the RC2W Motor Starter, fused disconnect switch, and other control devices as close as practical to the siren following local electrical codes and NEC recommendations. If the siren is installed on the roof of a building, it may be desirable to install the RC2W and other control devices inside of the building. The unit must be installed vertically to operate correctly (see figure 3-3).



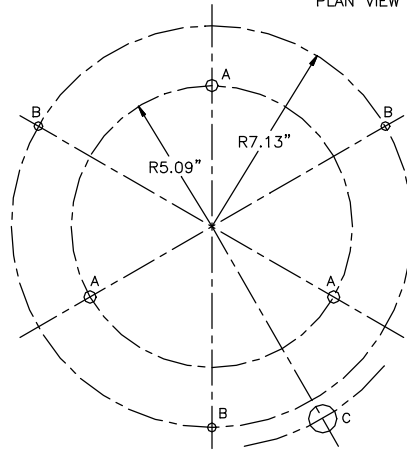
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## DETAIL "A"

PLAN VIEW



- ⊕<sup>A</sup> DRILL 3 HOLES 7/16 DIA. FOR MODEL 2 LEGS
- ⊕<sup>B</sup> DRILL 3 HOLES 5/16 DIA. FOR MOUNTING CLIPS
- ⊕<sup>C</sup> DRILL 1 HOLE FOR CONDUIT

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Figure 3-3. Typical Model 2 Platform Mount

### 3-3. ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS.

**Note:** For FC, FCTB controller connections refer to their installation manuals.

**DANGER**

Electrocution or severe personal injury can occur when making electrical connections, drilling holes, or lifting equipment. Therefore, installation should be performed by experienced electricians in accordance with national and local electrical codes.

The power and control circuitry of a typical Model 2 installation is shown in figure 3-4. The schematic diagram of the Model RC2W Motor Starter is also shown in the figure.

The RC2W Motor Starter is provided with various size knockout holes. Some of the knockouts can accommodate 1/2" conduit fittings, others can accept 3/ 4" conduit fittings, and still others can accommodate 1" conduit fittings. These various sized knockout holes are provided because electrical wiring requirements are frequently unpredictable. The diameter of the conduit required for the installation depends on the AWG size of the wiring used, the type of insulation on the wiring, and local electrical codes. Therefore, be sure that the size of the conduit selected meets the requirements of the installation.

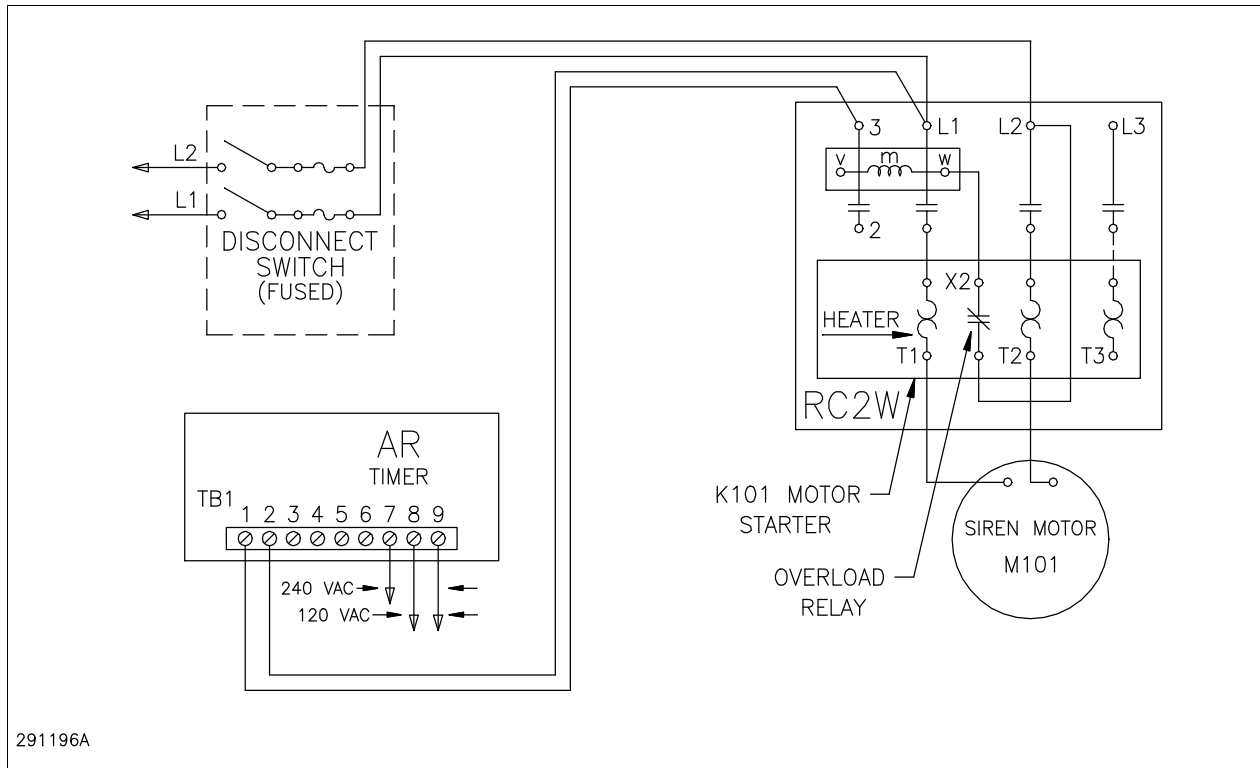


Figure 3-4. RC2W Electrical Connection

To connect the motor starter and siren to the power source and control circuitry, proceed as follows (see figure 3-4):

1. Install conduit between the RC2W and the electrical leads on the side of the siren motor.
2. Install conduit between the RC2W and the disconnect switch.



8. Replace the housing on the siren.

9. As a safety precaution to protect both personnel and equipment, it is highly recommended that the siren and all control devices be solidly connected to an earth ground. If the siren is installed on a building, ground the system to a metallic object known to be grounded. For pole mounted installations, drive a metal rod or bar at least two feet (61 cm) into the ground, or as close as practical to the base of the pole. For maximum protection, use a separate, continuous 10AWG or larger, wire from the siren frame to ground and the cabinet of each control device to ground.

### 3-4. PREOPERATION CHECKS

After the siren has been completely installed, perform the following checks before putting the siren into service.

#### **WARNING**

The output level of a siren is capable of causing severe hearing discomfort or permanent hearing damage. Therefore, ALWAYS wear hearing protection when performing tests or maintenance on the siren.

A. Make sure that all air intakes and sound outlets are not obstructed.

B. Press the TEST pushbutton on the AR Timer. The siren should produce a continuous signal until the pushbutton is released.

C. Check the operation of the control circuitry by initiating one or more signals from the AR Timer.

After the installation is complete and it has been established that the siren is operating properly, Federal recommends that all control devices be padlocked to discourage tampering and vandalism.

## **SECTION IV**

### **CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION**

#### **4-1. GENERAL**

The Model AR may be installed with any siren described in this manual.

#### **4-2. MODEL AR TIMER**

The Model AR Timer (see figure 5-5) causes the vertical siren to produce a steady three-minute "Alert" signal, and a three-minute undulating up and down scale "Attack" signal.

The timer controls the siren "Attack" signal by applying a three-minute series of eight-second control contract closures separated by four-second opens to the control winding (coil) of the motor starter.

The AR Timer includes a TEST pushbutton switch, S4. The TEST pushbutton operates the control devices only for the time that it is pressed. The timer is not activated because the TEST pushbutton is in the timer output circuit.

The CANCEL button, S3, enables the operator to stop the siren signal in progress in the event that an error was made in the selection of a signal. If a signal is canceled, the timer motor continues through the three-minute cycle. If another signal is selected during the cycle it will be produced only for the remainder of the signal cycle selected.

The AR Timer may be operated from a 120-volt or 240 volt, single phase, 50-60Hz source. When properly connected to the power source, transformer T1 provides 120 volts to the 120-volt components.

The Model AR Timer contains the devices necessary for the control of all sirens covered by this manual. However, the timer does not include a power supply for the control circuits. Therefore the user must provide an external power supply in the siren control circuitry when landline control is used (see figure 3-4).

The output circuitry is electrically independent of the timing circuitry. Consequently, the output circuit can utilize up to 480V. The capacity of the microswitch contacts in the signal circuits is 15 amperes AC, or 1/4 ampere DC.

Pressing the appropriate local or remote pushbutton for at least two seconds activates the timer.

The red pilot light, DS2, on the front panel of the timer, indicates that the timer is cycling. The yellow pilot light, DS1, indicates that power is available to the timer.

When the ALERT or ATTACK pushbutton is pressed, the respective relay energizes, establishing a holding circuit through the relay holding contacts. Simultaneously, the motor feed contacts apply operating voltage to the timer motor M, and the motor begins to rotate the cams. After the cams rotate slightly, the motor feed cam contacts close to provide a parallel circuit to the timer motor.

The control closures required for the production of the "Attack" signal are generated by cam-operated contacts in the Timer. These control closures are applied to the siren motor starter coil or control panel terminals (TB 102) through the signal contacts of the selected relay in the timer. There are no cam-operated contacts for the "Alert" signal. As a result, when the "Alert" signal is selected a sustained closure is applied to the siren motor starter coil or control panel, and the siren produces a signal having constant level and pitch for three minutes.

Several seconds before the end of the three-minute timer cycle, the cam-operated hold contacts open momentarily, releasing the relay holding circuit. The timer control circuit closure to the motor starter coil or control cabinet opens, stopping the siren motor.

The “Attack” signal has priority over all other signals. If “Attack” is initiated while “Alert” is sounding, “Attack” automatically overrides the signal being sounded until the end of the timer cycle, or the CANCEL pushbutton is pressed.

The CANCEL pushbutton can be used to override a higher priority signal. For example, to override “Attack” with “Alert” press the CANCEL pushbutton and then press ALERT pushbutton.

### **4-3. SIREN CONTROL DESCRIPTION**

The Model RC2W is used to operate a Model 2 Siren.

Application of a control signal to an RC2W energizes the motor starter and applies power to the siren motor. The siren produces the undulating “Attack” signal because the timer closes the control circuit for eight seconds and opens the circuit for four seconds. When the control circuit opens the motor starter de-energizes, de-energizing the siren motor. As the siren motor coasts toward a stop, the pitch of the sound and the sound level decrease. After approximately four seconds the timer energizes the motor starter and the motor starter re-applies power to the motor; the pitch and sound level of the signal increase, and the cycle repeats.

The AR timer causes the siren to produce the continuous “Alert” signal by energizing the motor starter continuously for three minutes. As a result, the siren is energized continuously for three minutes causing the siren to produce a continuous tone signal.

As shown in figure 3-4, the motor starter includes an overload relay. The relay protects the motor starter and the motor in the event that excess current is drawn. The overload relay is activated when there is sufficient current through one or more of its heaters to cause the heater(s) to expand enough to open the relay contacts. The opening of the relay contacts opens the motor starter control circuit. As a result the motor starter de-energizes, protecting the circuit against damage. After the motor starter de-energizes, the relay contacts reset automatically when the heater(s) cools sufficiently. The overload relay can also be reset manually after approximately one minute.

## **SECTION V**

### **SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE**

#### **5-1. GENERAL**

##### **WARNING**

Service or maintenance should be performed by qualified personnel familiar with the siren, associated controls, and power sources being used. The siren has moving parts and high operating currents that could cause severe personal injury, electrocution, or death. Before servicing or maintaining, ensure that remote activation cannot occur and disconnect power to the siren and its controls.

The Model 2 Siren is designed to require a minimum of maintenance. In addition, experience has shown that all Federal Signal sirens are highly reliable devices. However, if a siren failure does occur, Federal Signal will provide technical assistance with problems that cannot be handled locally. If assistance is desired, contact:

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#### **5-1.A MINIMUM RECOMMENDED INSPECTION**

Test the siren for proper operation at least once a month. A daily test at noon, curfew, or other selected time is preferred. This not only enhances the usefulness of the siren, but also instills public confidence in the reliability of the warning system.

#### **5-1.B ANNUAL INSPECTION**

In order to minimize the possibility of siren failure, inspection and maintenance at regular intervals is desirable. Therefore, it is recommended that the procedure in this paragraph be performed at least once a year. However, it may be necessary to increase the frequency of this procedure if the siren is used frequently or if it is used in an extreme climate.

1. Remove the housing and inspect the motor brushes. Replace the brushes if necessary.
2. Inspect all electrical and mechanical connections. Make sure that all fasteners are properly tightened.
3. Inspect the siren installation to be sure that it is vertically oriented. Take corrective action if a pole mounted installation is more than 5° from vertical or a roof or flat surface mount is more than 10° from vertical to prevent lubrication losses and excessive motor bearing wear.
4. Examine all painted surfaces. Repaint as necessary.

## 5-2. CORRECTIVE MAINTENANCE

### A. Troubleshooting

The Troubleshooting Chart (Chart 5-1) is provided to assist repair personnel when troubleshooting a siren malfunction. This section also includes diagrams that may be helpful if the siren or control devices need repair.

#### WARNING

Moving parts could cause severe cuts or amputation. DO NOT rotate the commutator by sticking your fingers in the stator ports and pushing on any part of the rotor.

### B. Model 2 Motor Brush Replacement

1. Loosen the clips that hold the siren housing to the mounting surface. Lift off the housing.
2. Remove the insulated cap from the Armature Brush Holder and slide out the worn armature brush. Do not loosen or remove the brush holder.
3. Install the replacement brush and replace the cap. Ensure that the brush is properly seated as indicated in figure 5-1, before tightening the cap. Make sure that the cap seats properly. However, do not tighten the cap excessively, or it may break.

### C. Model 2 Armature and Field Replacement

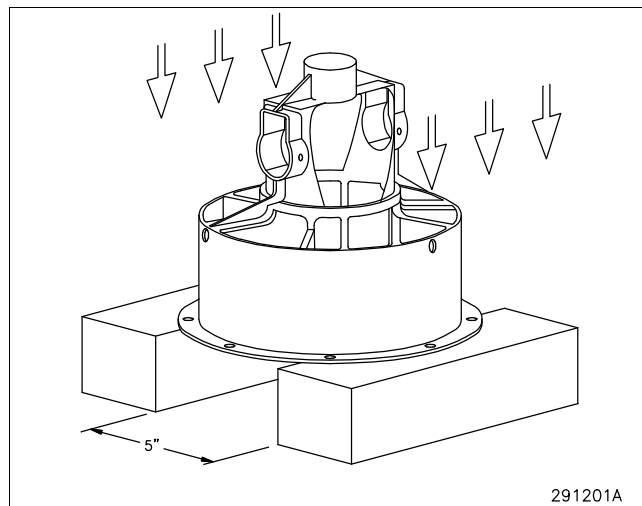
#### 1. Armature

- (a) Turn off the power to the siren at the disconnect switch.
- (b) Remove the siren housing from the mechanism.
- (c) Disconnect the electrical power wiring from the siren motor.
- (d) Remove the mechanism from the mounting surface. If desired, the legs can also be removed from the mechanism.
- (e) Remove the four bolts holding the chopper rotor and armature to the stator. Lift out the rotor and armature.
- (f) Remove the lock nut and lock washer from the armature.
- (g) Use a bearing puller to pull both roller bearings from the armature shaft.
- (h) Use a hydraulic press to separate the armature from the chopper rotor.
- (i) When installing a new armature it may be necessary to change the electrical connections of the field. Therefore, refer to the instructions included with the replacement armature for the correct field connections.
- (j) Install the replacement armature and reinstall the siren following steps (a) through (h) in reverse.



## 2. Field

- (a) Turn off the power to the siren at the disconnect switch.
- (b) Remove the siren housing from the mechanism.
- (c) Disconnect the electrical power wiring from the siren motor.
- (d) Remove the siren mechanism from the mounting surface. If desired, the legs can also be removed from the mechanism.
- (e) Remove the field-retaining ring from the motor housing.
- (f) Arrange two spacers consisting of 4" x 4" (102mm x 102mm) lumber or similar material, approximately 5" (127mm) apart on a solid work surface as shown in figure 5-2.
- (g) Sharply rap the motor housing against the spacers several times until the field drops out of the motor housing. The motor housing is aluminum die-casting. As a result, it can be broken or damaged. Therefore, use caution to ensure that the motor housing strikes the spacers squarely as indicated in figure 5-2.



*Figure 5-2. Model 2 Field Removal*

**NOTE:**

It is not necessary to follow the procedure described in steps (h) through (k) if a hydraulic press is available to press the replacement field into the motor housing.

(h) Fabricate two 8" (203mm) guide pins from 3/16" (5mm) metal rod. Taper these pins as indicated in figure 5-3.

(i) Insert the tapered end of the pins into the threaded holes in the field holder ring as indicated in figure 5-3.

(j) Set the new field on the motor housing with the guide pins passing through the two mounting holes in the body of the field as shown in figure 5-3. Be sure that the four wires are in the position shown in figure 5-3.

(k) Set a length of 3/8" (9.5mm) steel bar stock approximately 5" (127mm) long, or similar object, on the field as illustrated in figure 5-3. Drive the field into the motor housing by firmly and squarely tapping the bar with a hammer. See figure 5-3. Use caution to avoid cutting or otherwise damaging the wires that are connected to the field.

(l) Connect the two wires having rings to the motor brush holders, one wire to each brush holder.

(m) Reinstall the field-retaining ring.

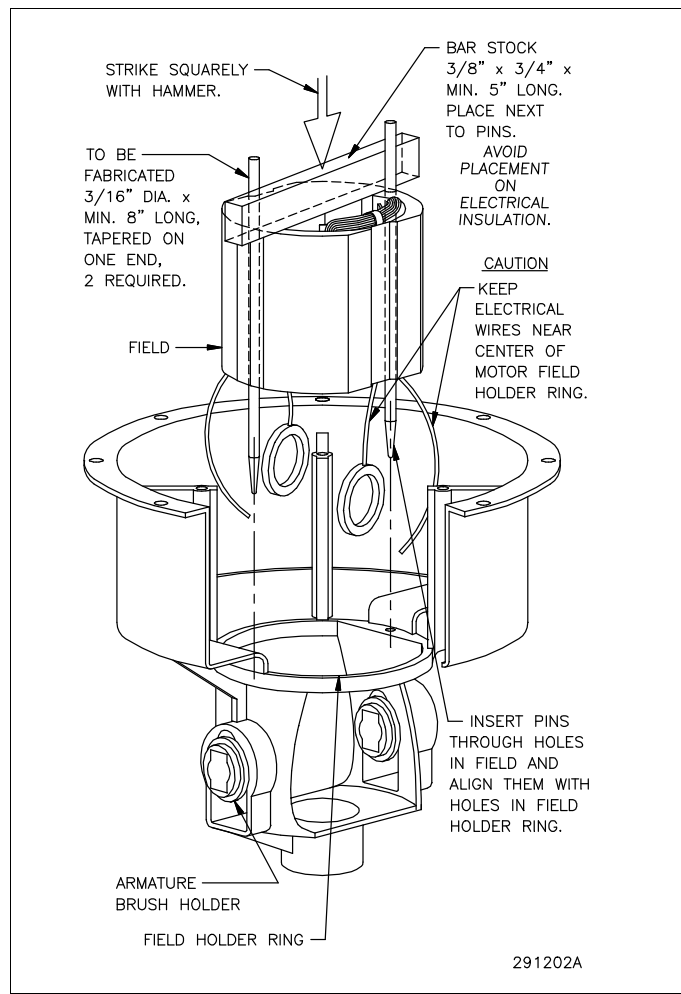


Figure 5-3. Model 2 Field Replacement

TROUBLE	POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Siren motor inoperative.	Motor starter overload relay tripped.	Reset relay
	Open circuit between motor starter and Motor.	Check wiring for continuity.
	Rotor jammed	Check rotor for free rotation. Remove material causing jamming.
	Siren motor defective.	Check motor, and repair or replace, if necessary.
	Faulty Overload Heater(s)	Replace
	Open thermal protector in motor.	Connect a jumper wire between TB104-P1 and P2.

Motor starter inoperative.

Faulty motor starter control winding	Replace coil
Motor starter overload relay tripped	Reset relay
Faulty overload heater(s)	Replace heater(s)
Open circuit between disconnect switch and motor	Check wiring for continuity. Repair or replace wiring as necessary.
Open circuit between control equipment and motor	Check wiring for continuity. Repair or replace wiring, as necessary.
Faulty control device(s)	Repair or replace, as necessary.

*Chart 5-1. Troubleshooting Chart*

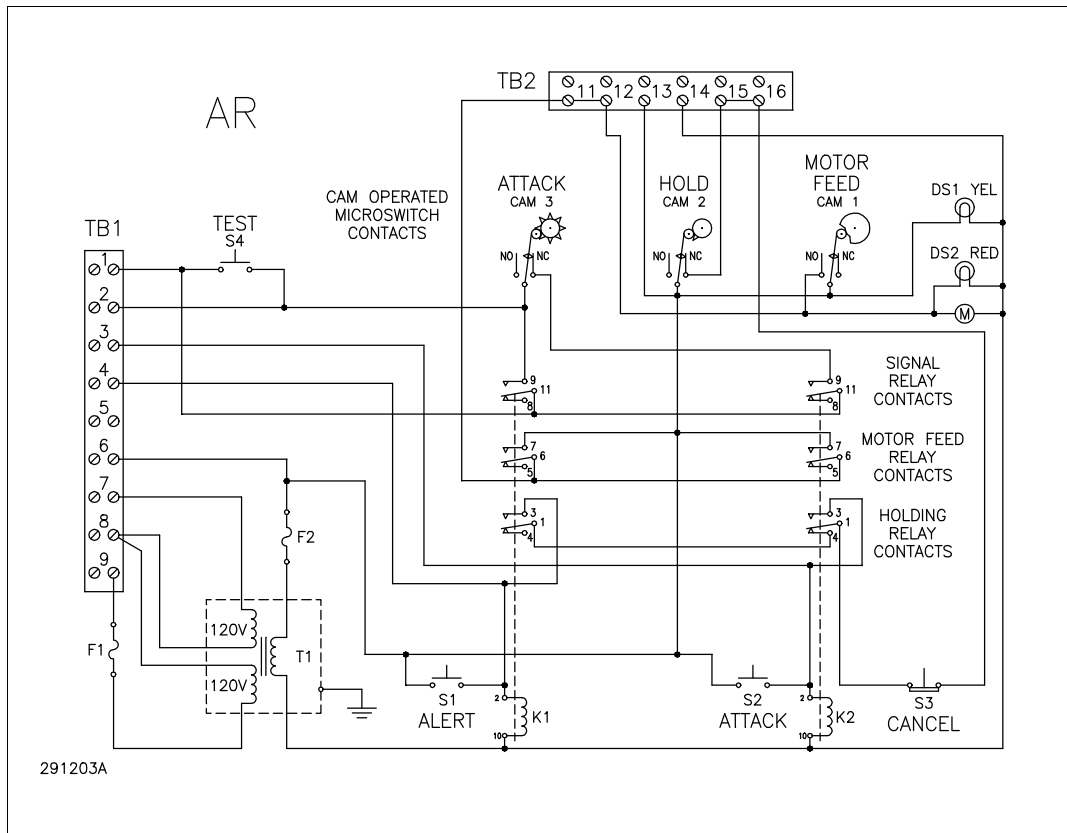


Figure 5-4. Model AR Timer Wiring Diagram

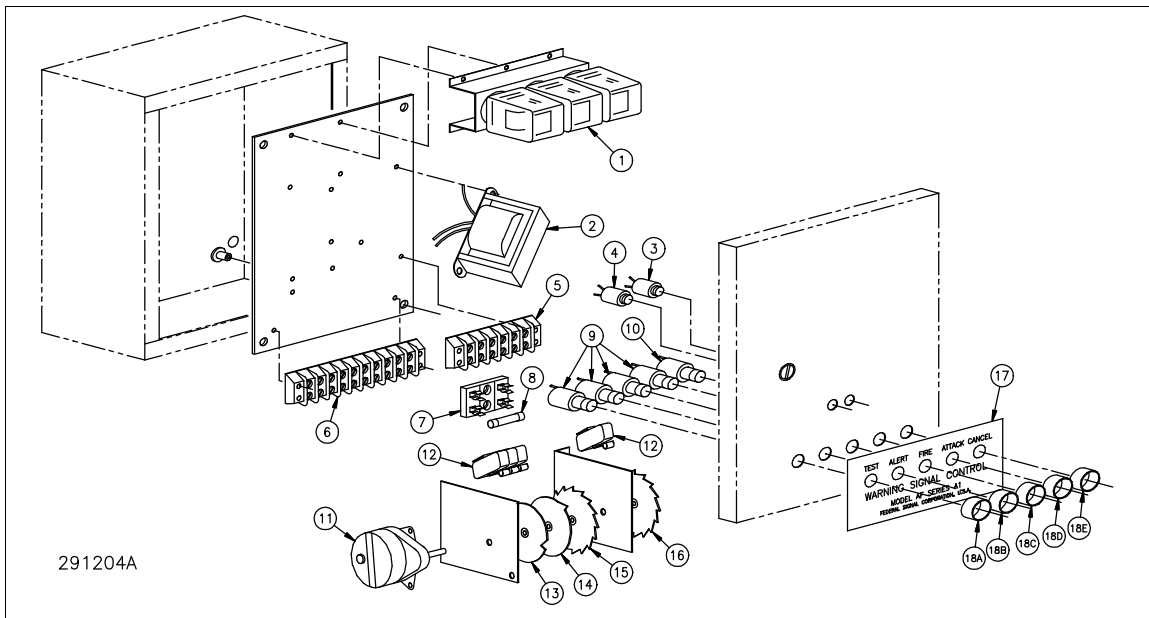


Figure 5-5. Models AF and AR Parts Index

PPL 0060 PARTS LIST		TIMERS	MODELS: AF, AR		DECEMBER 1985	
Item No.	Description	Part No.	AF	AR		
1	Relay	8217A082	3	2		
2	Transformer	8217A083	1	1		
3	Motor Pilot Light Assembly	8217A087	1	1		
4	Power Pilot Light Assembly	8217A213A	1	1		
5	Terminal Block, 6 Terminal	8217A086	1	1		
6	Terminal Block, 9 Terminal	8217A173	0	1		
	Terminal Block, 10 Terminal	8217A085	1	0		
7	Fuseholder	8217A091	1	1		
8	Fuse, One Ampere	148A106	2	2		
9	Switch, Red Pushbutton	8217A089	4	3		
10	Switch, Black Pushbutton	8217A088	1	1		
11	Motor	8217A084	1	1		
12	Microswitch	8217A081	4	3		
13	Cam Number 1	8217A092	1	1		
14	Cam Number 2	8217A093	1	1		
15	Cam Number 3	8217A094	1	1		
16	Cam Number 4	8217A095	1	0		
17	Nameplate, AF	8146A330	1	0		
	Nameplate, AR	8146A331	0	1		
18A	Switch Guard, Silver	8217A097-05	1	1		
18B	Switch Guard, Blue	8217A097-03	1	1		
18C	Switch Guard, Red	8217A097-01	1	0		
18D	Switch Guard, Yellow	8217A097-02	1	1		
18E	Switch Guard, Black	8217A097-04	1	1		

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**MODEL 2 SIREN**

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Index No.	Description	Part No.	Qty.
1	Housing Assembly, Galv. Steel	8155B086	1 AR
2	Projector	8247C006	1
3	Plug	8283A120	1
4	Plate, Baffle	8247C007	1
5	Taper Pin, # 5 x 1	8400A229	2
6	End Bell, Stator	L01-02	1
7	Locknut	L01-15	1
8	Lockwasher	L01-16	1
9	Bearing	8239A045	2
10	Mounting Clip	8155109A	3
11	Rotor Spacer and Bearing Stop	L01-08	1
12	Rotor	L01-21	1
13	Key	8247A057	1
14	Armature, (120V) Armature, (240V)	8247B041G 8247B039G	1 AR
15	Locking Ring, Field	L01-20	1
16	Field, (120V) Field, (240V)	8247B042G 8247B040G	1 AR
17	Spring Lockwasher, Lower Bearing	L01-11	1
18	Holder, Brush	8247A021	2
19	Brush and Spring	8247A020	2
20	Cap, Brush Holder	8247A022	2
21	Housing, Motor	L01-03	1
22	Legs	L01-4A	3
23	Hanger, Cable	8400A211	1

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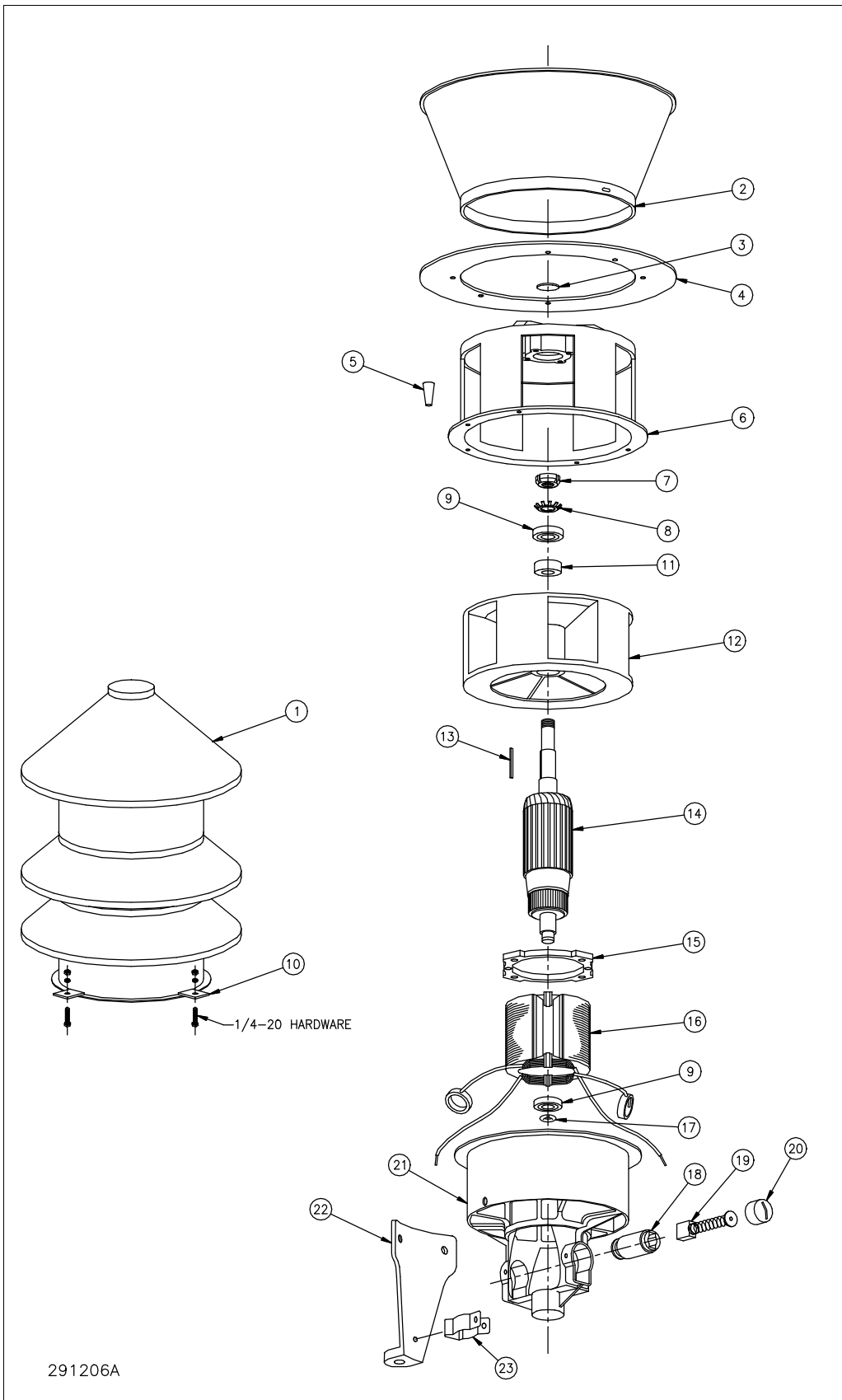


Figure 5-6. Model 2 Parts Index



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**CANADIAN MODEL 2 SIREN**

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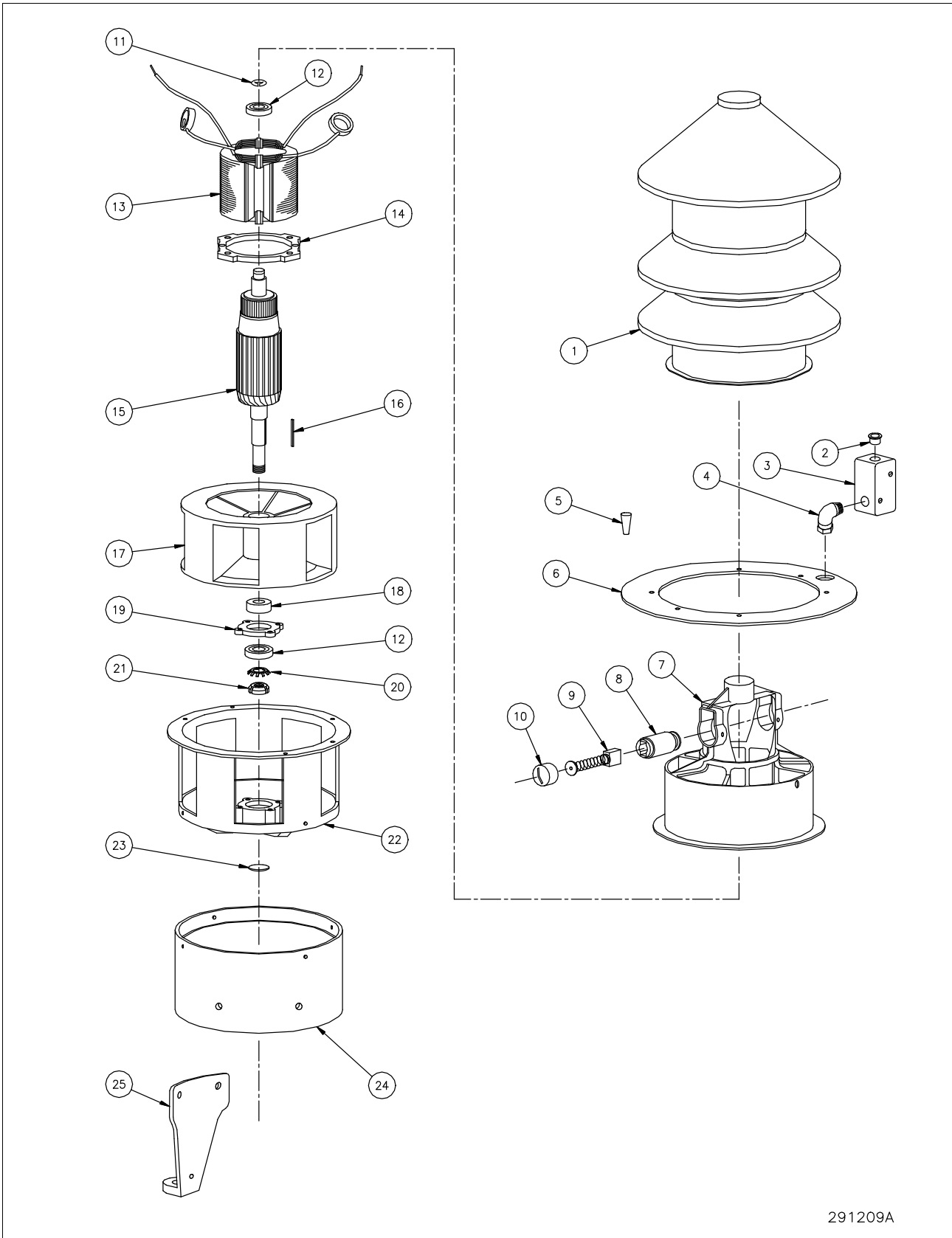
Index No.	Description	Part No.	Qty.
1	Housing Assembly	8155B092	1
2	Bushing	231A135A	1
3	Junction Box, with Cover	8287B202	1
4	Elbow, 90°	8287A145	1
5	Taper Pin, # 5 x 1	8400A229	2
6	Plate, Baffle	8247C007-01	1
7	Housing Motor	L01-03	1
8	Holder, Brush	8247A021	2
9	Brush and Spring	8247A020	2
10	Cap, Brush Holder	8247A022	2
11	Lockwasher, Spring	L01-11	1
12	Bearing	8239A045	2
13	Field, (120V)	8247B042G	1 AR
	Field, (240V)	8247B040G	
14	Locking Ring, Field	L01-20	1
15	Armature, (120V)	8247B041G	1 AR
	Armature, (240V)	8247B039G	
16	Key	8247A057	1
17	Rotor	L01-21	1
18	Rotor Spacer and Bearing Stop	L01-08	1
19	Ring, Locking	L01-07	1
20	Lockwasher	L01-16	1
21	Locknut	L01-15	1
22	End Bell, Stator	L01-02	1
23	Plug	8283A120	1
24	Adapter, Mounting	8155C059	1
25	Legs	L01-4A	3

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Figure 5-7. Model 2-120-3Z and 2-240-3z Parts Index

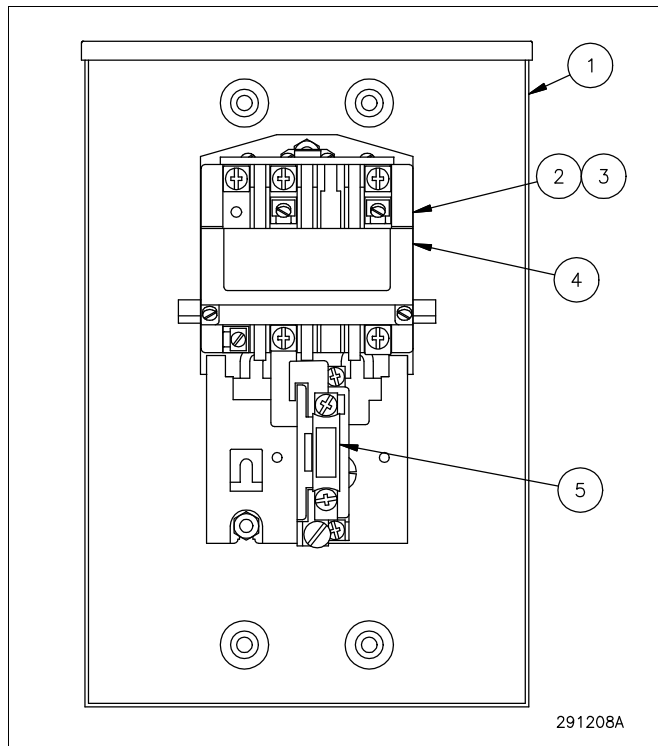


Figure 5-8. Model RC2W Parts Index

**SIREN REMOTE CONTROL  
MODELS: RC2W-120 and RC2W-240**

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Item No.	Description	Part No.	Qty.
1	Cabinet, NEMA Type R3	170272B	1
2	Contacts and Springs (Power Pole)	8217C182-11	2 sets
3	Contacts and Springs (Interlock)	8217C180-12	1 set
4	Coil, 60 Hz, 120/240V	8217C180-16	1
5	Overload Heaters (K-58) 120V	8217C182-20	1
	Overload Heaters (K-42) 240V	8217C183-20	1

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