DRAG RACE TIMING DISPLAY MODEL CH-24-DS

INSTALLATION & SERVICE MANUAL

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SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

The drawing on the next page shows a complete Chrondek CH-24-DS display, consisting of three sections: five-digit speed (MPH) display, five-digit elapsed time (ET) display, and Adv/Sponsor Panel for advertising or drag strip logo. A typical installation includes two of these displays, one for each lane. The sponsor panel, if included, on either one or both displays may be painted or backlit. Each display can be comprised of only the five-digit MPH section, both digit sections, or all three sections. If only the single five-digit MPH section is used, the latest versions of the Chrondek C-33 timer can display the dial-in speed and elapsed time alternately on the same display.

This manual covers installation of the CH-24-DS display and provides information for servicing the digits and wiring. Setup of other control equipment or operation of the C-33 timer are not covered in this manual.

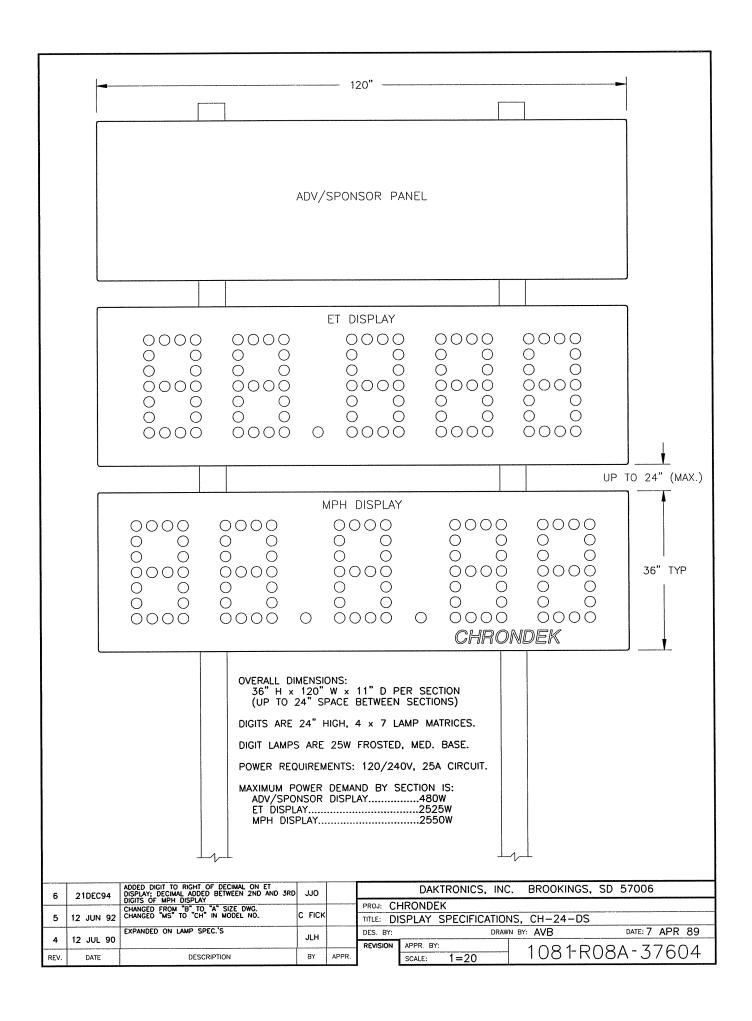
The following table shows the approximate weights of the individual sections of the CH-24-DS:

Section	Uncrated Weight (lbs)	Crated Weight (lbs)
5-Digit ET Display	130	155
5-Digit MPH Display	140	165
Adv/Sponsor Panel	150	175

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARD

DISCONNECT POWER WHEN THE DISPLAY IS NOT IN USE, OR WHEN SERVICING. PROLONGED POWER-ON MAY SHORTEN THE LIFE OF ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.

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SECTION 2: INSTALLATION

2.1 Refer to the illustration on page 2-2 for general system layout.

The general procedure for installing the CH-24-DS display is as follows.

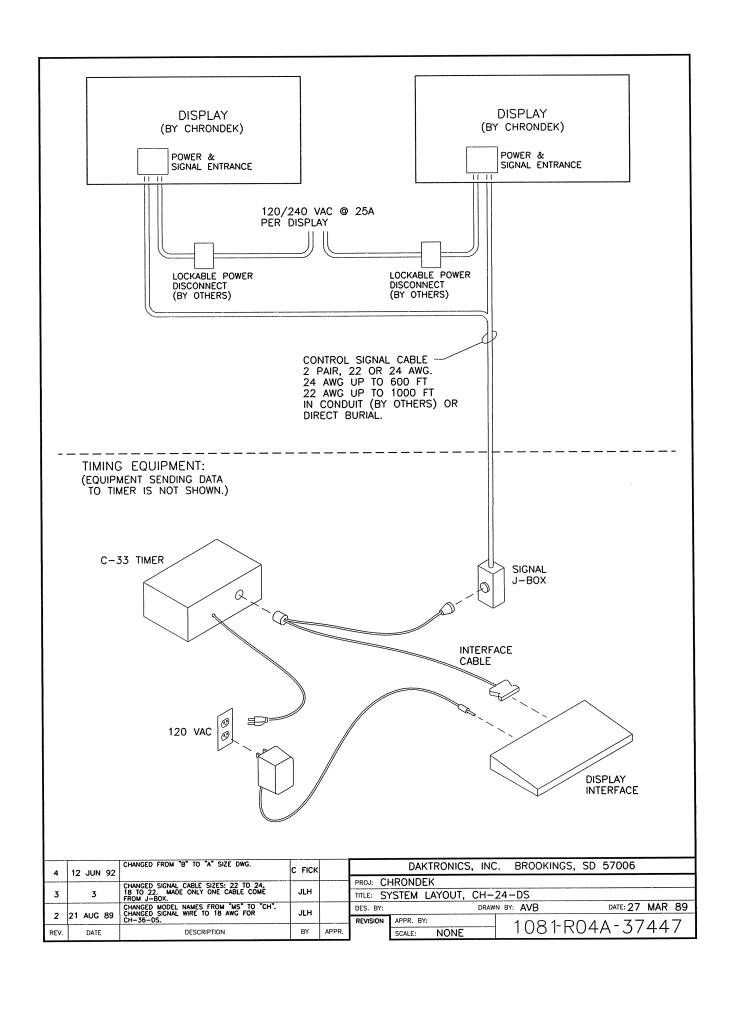
Select beam and footing recommendations from the table on page 2-3.

Dig the footing holes and install beams and footings.

Route power and signal cables to the display and control locations.

Mount the displays to the beams as described on pages 2-4 and 2-5.

Route power and signal wires into the displays as described on pages 2-6 through 2-10.



BEAM AND FOOTING SELECTION TABLE

		i	E - SEC DISPLA		l .) - SECT DISPLA			E - SEC DISPLA	
DIST FROM	WIND VELO-	BEAM SECT.	FOO	TINGS	BEAM SECT.	FOO	TINGS	BEAM SECT.	FOO	TINGS
GRND (FT)	CITY (MPH)	REQ. @ 2	DIA	DEPTH	REQ. @ 2	DIA	DEPTH	REQ. @ 2	DIA	DEPTH
10	70	W6x9	2	3.5	W6x9	2	4	W6x16	2	4.5
12	70	W6x9	2	3.5	W6x9	2	4.5	W6x16	2	5
14	70	W6x9	2	64	W6x12	2	4.5	W6x16	2.5	5
16	70	W6x9	2	4	W6x12	3	4	W8x18	2.5	5.5
18	70	W6x9	2	4	W6x16	3	4	W8x18	3	5.5
20	70	W6x9	2	4.5	W6x16	3	4.5	W8x18	3	5.5
10	80	W6x9	2	4	W6x16	2	10	W8x18	3	4.5
12	80	W6x9	2	4	W6x16	2	4.5	W8x18	3	4.5
14	80	W6x9	2	4.5	W6x16	2.5	4.5	W8x18	3	5
16	80	W6x9	2	4.5	W6x18	2.5	5	W8x24	3	5.5
18	80	W6x12	2	4.5	W6x18	2.5	5	W8x24	3	5.5
20	80	W6x12	2	5	W6x18	2.5	5	W8x24	3	6
10	100	W6x9	2	4	W8x18	2.5	5.5	W8x24	3	6
12	100	W6x9	2	4	W8x24	2.5	5.5	W8x28	3	6.5
14	100	W6x12	2	4.5	W8x24	3	5.5	W8x28	3	6.5
16	100	W6x12	2	5	W8x24	3	5.5	W8x28	3	7
18	100	W6x16	2	5	W8x24	3	6	W10x30	4	7
20	100	W6x16	2.5	4.5	W10x24	3	6	W10x30	4	7

All footing dimensions are in feet.

These footing recommendations are based on an allowable soil bearing pressure of 3000 psf vertically and 300 psf/ft of depth horizontally. However, these recommendations are suggestions only and each installation

should be treated individually. You must be sure that your installation complies with local codes and is suitable for your particular soil and wind conditions.

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2.2 BEAM AND FOOTING SELECTION

The table on the previous page contains recommendations for beams and footings to support your display. The distance in the left column is from the ground to the bottom of the display. The second column is wind velocity in miles per hour. Your choice from these columns depends upon your display location.

The beams listed are W-shape (wide flange) beams which provide maximum wind load strength for the weight and cost of the beams. Choose your beams under the appropriate headings for 1-Section, 2-Section, or 3-Section displays.

The calculations for footing diameters and depths are based on the assumption that footings are in undisturbed soils, **NOT FILL SOILS**. Lateral bearing capacity of 300 psf per foot of depth in natural grade was used to derive these figures.

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2.3 DISPLAY MOUNTING

The illustration on page 2-5 shows the mounting procedure for a typical two-section-display. In this illustration, the sections are mounted with no spacing between them.

NOTE: The bolts that secure the display do not go through the beams, but run along both sides of the beam to clamp the display to the beams.

Start with the bottom of the lowest section and work your way up, adding brackets and sections as you go. The five-digit ET display has wires in plastic conduit that extend into the lower section. If the five-digit ET display is included, remove the black hole plug from the top of the lower section before lifting it into place.

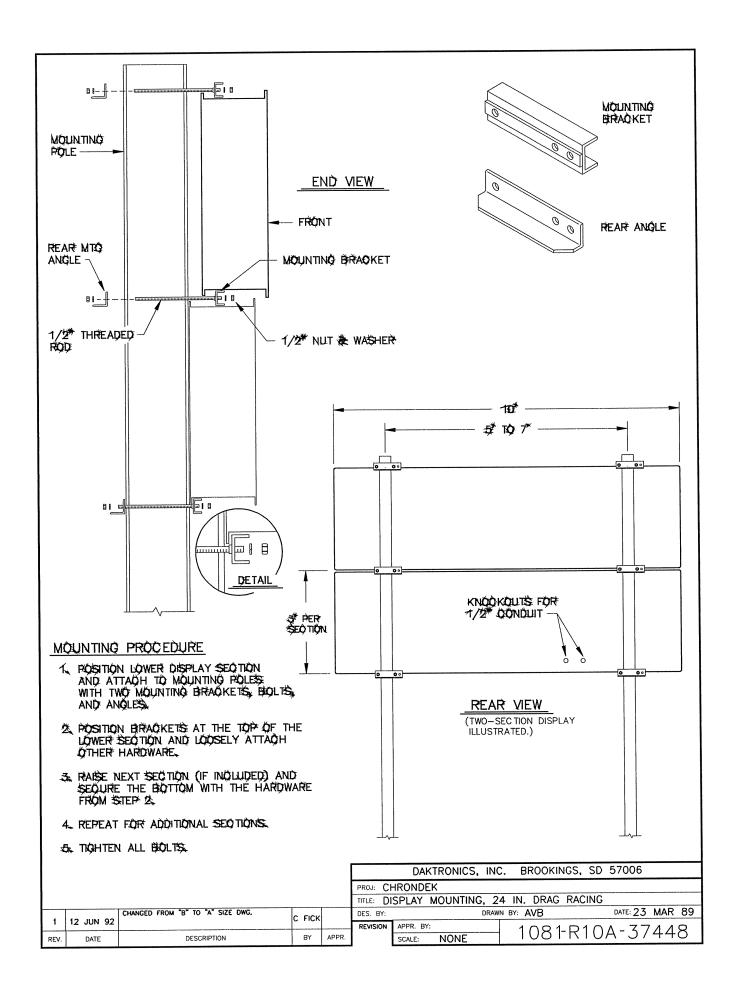
A third section is mounted on top of the second in exactly the same way as section two is mounted to section one.

Enough brackets and mounting hardware are provided to mount sections with space between them. It may be desirable to position the sections up to two feet apart. If so, mount sections beginning with the five-digit MPH display on the bottom.

Secure the bottom of section as shown in step 1 on page 2-5. Next, secure top of section with mounting brackets and tighten bolts.

Position the five-digit ET display, if included, the desired distance above the bottom section. Attach the bottom of this section to the poles with mounting brackets. Secure the top of the display with another set of brackets and tighten bolts.

If a sponsor panel is present, mount this to the poles above the previous sections in the same way.



2.4.1 Control Signal Cable

For each display, two conductors of 24 AWG, for distances up to 600 ft. or 22 AWG for distances up to 1000 ft. are required. Daktronics has the following cable available: Daktronics part no. W-1105, this is a six conductor, 24 AWG direct burial cable. Also Daktronics part number, W-1077 this is a two conductor, 22 AWG cable that must be pulled through conduit before it is buried.

At the control location, mount the signal J-box to a convenient location. Route the cables and connect to the wires leading from the connector in the cover, according to the table below and illustration on page 2--12.

At the display, open the hinged digit covering the entrance enclosure as shown on page 2-8. Remove the cover from the entrance enclosure. Refer to page 2-10 or an illustration of the components inside the enclosure. Connect the signal wires to TB31 as indicated in the table below.

Signal Connections

Control End		Display End			
J-box Term. no.	Wire <u>Color</u>	<u>Display</u>	TB 31 Term no.		
1 2 3 4	RED BLACK WHITE GREEN	LEFT LEFT RIGHT RIGHT	1 (+) 2 (-) 1 (+) 2 (-)		

2.4.2 Power Wiring

Each CH-24-DS display requires a 120/240 VAC, 25 amp circuit (two hot lines, one neutral, plus a separate earth-ground conductor) be connected to the power and signal entrance in the display from the electrical source. The maximum current drawn is 17 amps on line one (5-digit ET display), 23 amps if a backlit sponsor panel is present in addition to 5-digit ET display. The maximum current draw on line two (5-digit MPH display) is 21 amps.

Install a lockable power disconnect to the display support beam as shown on page 2-8. A three-conductor disconnect is recommended for proper protection from lightening strikes, see page 2-9. Install a copper ground rod by each of the support poles of the display. THE DISPLAY MUST BE CONNECTED TO EARTH GROUND AT THE DISPLAY LOCATION. This is in addition to the separate earth-ground conductor in the power cable.

Route two "hot", one "neutral", and one "ground" wire, 12 AWG from the electrical source to the entrance enclosure in the five-digit MPH display. Connect to TB41 as

shown on page 2-10. A jumper connects terminals 2 and 3 on TB41. Loosen either one of these terminals and insert the neutral wire.

2.4.3 Digit Connection for ET Display

Remove locknut from PVC conduit in the bottom of the five-digit ET display. Push plugs and cables, protruding from conduit, through the hole in the top of the five-digit MPH display. Extend conduit into the top of the five-digit MPH display. Secure conduit with the locknut.

Each plug has a number written on it. Carefully connect these plugs into the corresponding jacks on the connector plate.

2.4.4 Power Wiring for Backlit Sponsor Panel

With sponsor panel mounted to the poles, remove face panel retainer from either end of face panel. Slide face panel out of display. Run ½" conduit out of the back of the display. Run conduit into one of the knockouts below the entrance enclosure. Connect wires to sponsor panel and MPH display as shown on page 2-11.

Connect the hot wire (black) from the sponsor panel to the top of fuse F42 in the entrance enclosure. Another option is to connect a grounded 120V plug to the wires from the sponsor panel and plug this into the grounded 120V outlet labeled J41 in the entrance enclosure. Connecting the panel in this way may prevent the entrance enclosure cover from fitting properly.

2.5 CH-24-DS Win Lights Installation for Non Daktronics Supplied Win Lights

NOTE: Refer to User's Manual **ED-5469** to install Daktronics supplied win lights.

The drawing on page 2-13 describes the installation of a finish light on a CH-24DS display.

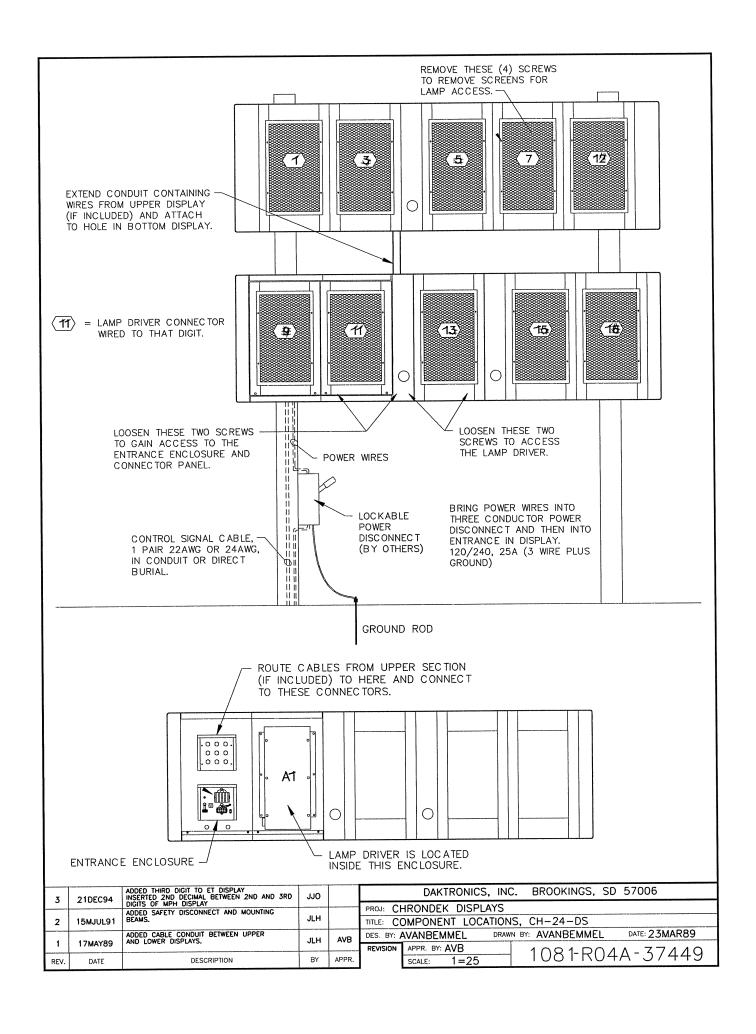
Drill a 1 1/4" diameter hole in the bottom of the 5-digit MPH display, just inside whichever pole you wish to mount the finish light on.

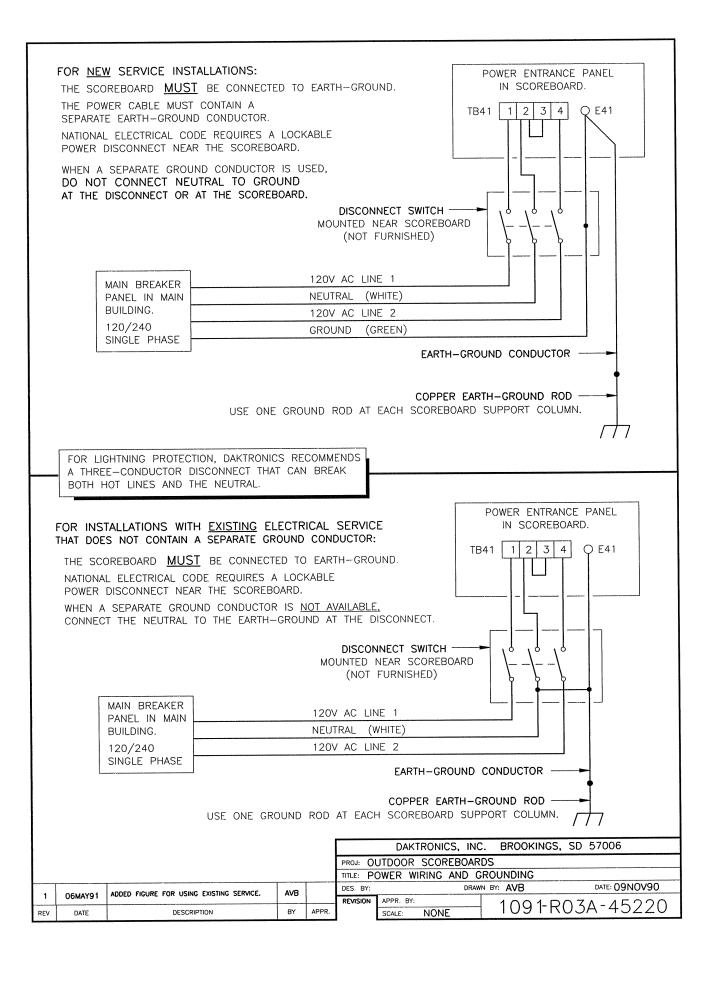
Loosen screws in bottom of digit number 11 and open upwards to access the connector plate.

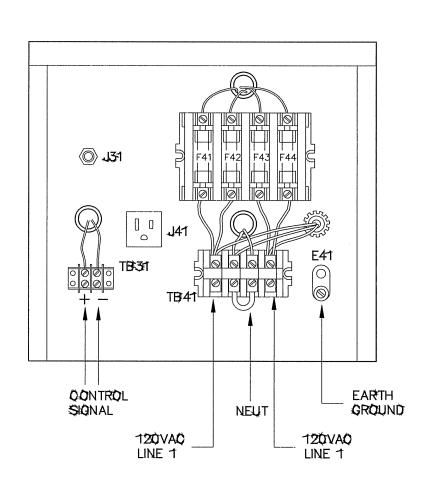
Route cable from finish light through hole in bottom of MPH display and plug into jack #10 on the connector plate, **refer to detail B.** Coil excess cable and lay in bottom of MPH display.

Close and secure digits.

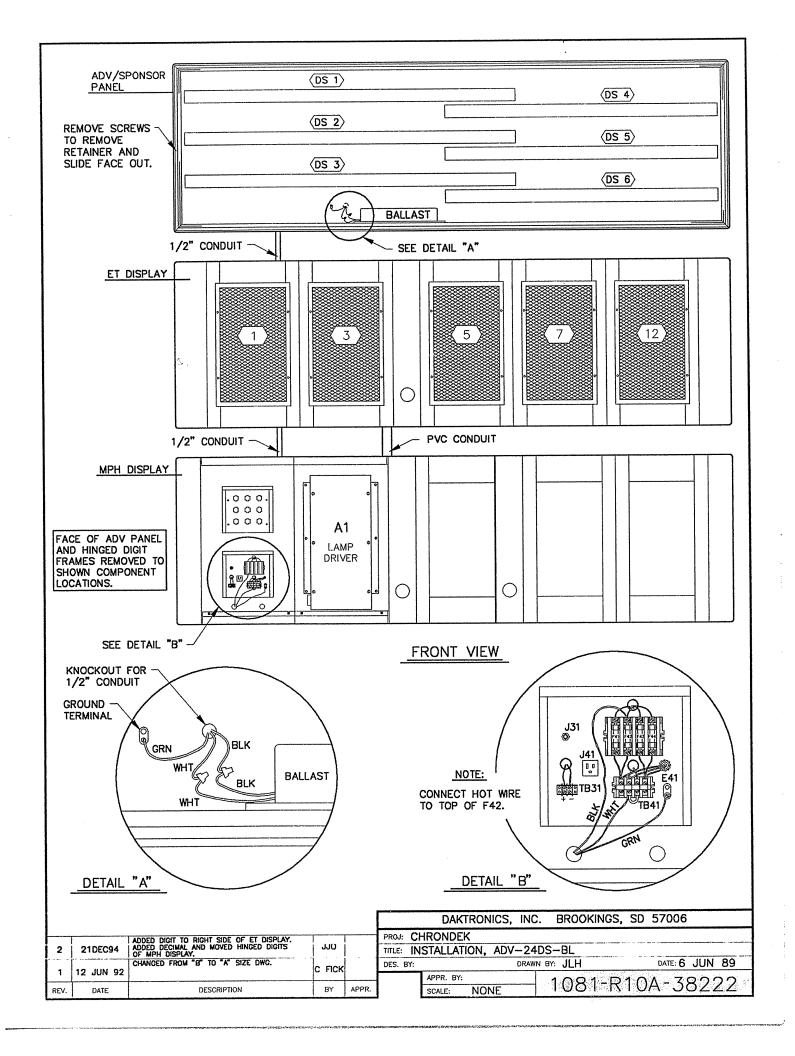
WARNING: Each lamp circuit can drive a maximum of 85 Watts. Therefore a relay may be required to drive larger loads.

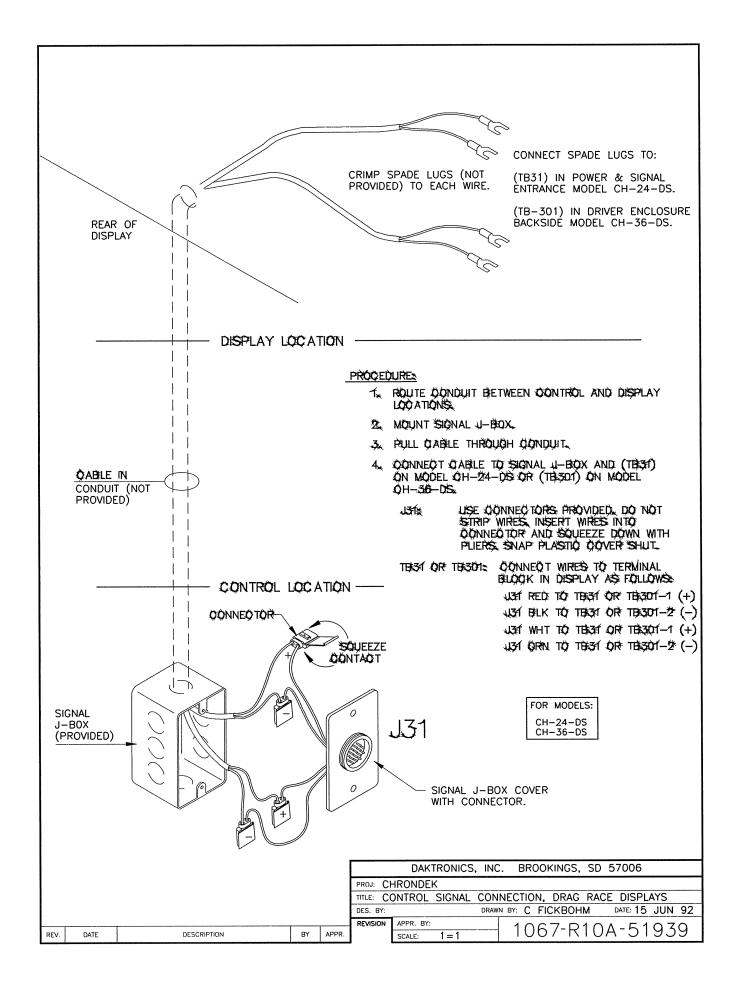


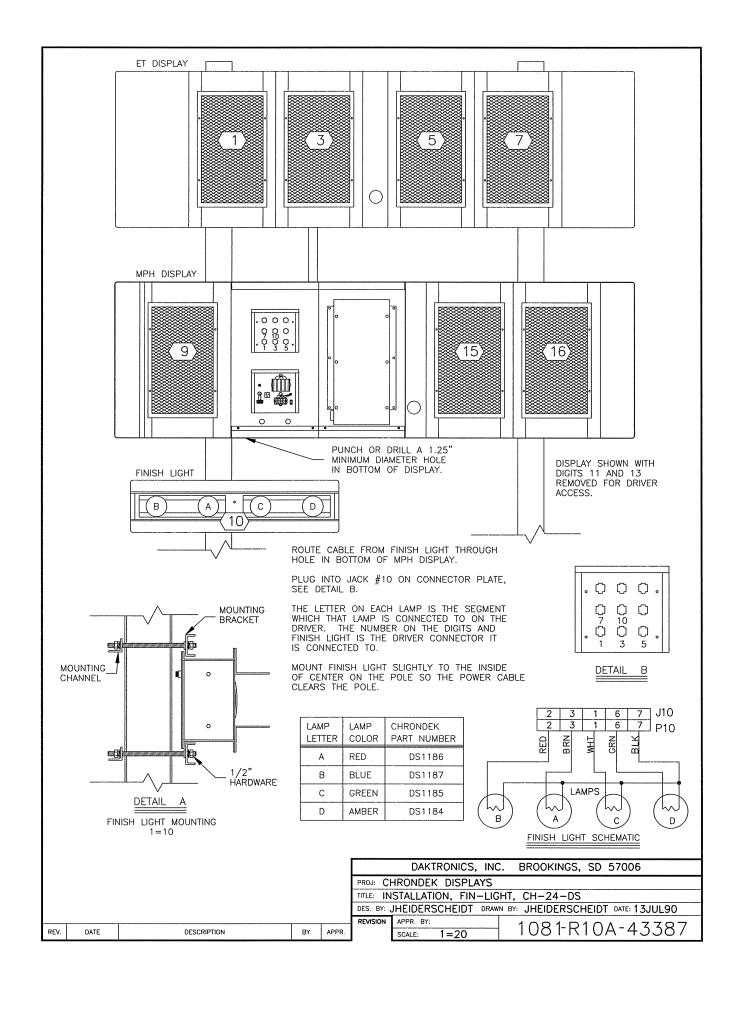




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SECTION 3: SERVICE

DISCONNECT POWER TO DISPLAY BEFORE SERVICING

3.1 Lamp Replacement

The primary service required by the CH-24-DS display is to replace burned-out lamps. See page 3-3 for an illustration of lamp changing. Replacement lamps are 120V, 25W frosted, medium base, available at your local store or directly from Chrondek, part number DS-1029.

The Adv/Sponsor panel uses 60 inch and 72 inch, 120V, 85W cool white fluorescent lamps, Chrondek part numbers DS-1049 and DS-1037 respectively. Refer to the top figure on page 2-11 for an illustration of how to access lamps.

Do not use lamps larger than those originally installed in the display. Using higher power lamps will likely cause fuse failures in the display and could exceed the current levels that the display's circuits can safely handle.

3.2 Lamp Driver

In the display, the task of switching lamps on and off is performed by the lamp driver. Page 2-8 shows the location of the lamp driver in the display. Page 3-4 is an illustration of the lamp driver and the fuses located in it.

The lamp driver has 21 connectors, providing power and signal inputs and outputs to digits. The functions of these connectors are as follows:

Connector no.	<u>Function</u>
1 - 16	Outputs to digits
17	Signal Input
18	Power input for outputs 1-8 (120V)
19	Power input for driver logic and fan (120V)
20	Power input for outputs 9-16 (120V)
24	Dim option selector

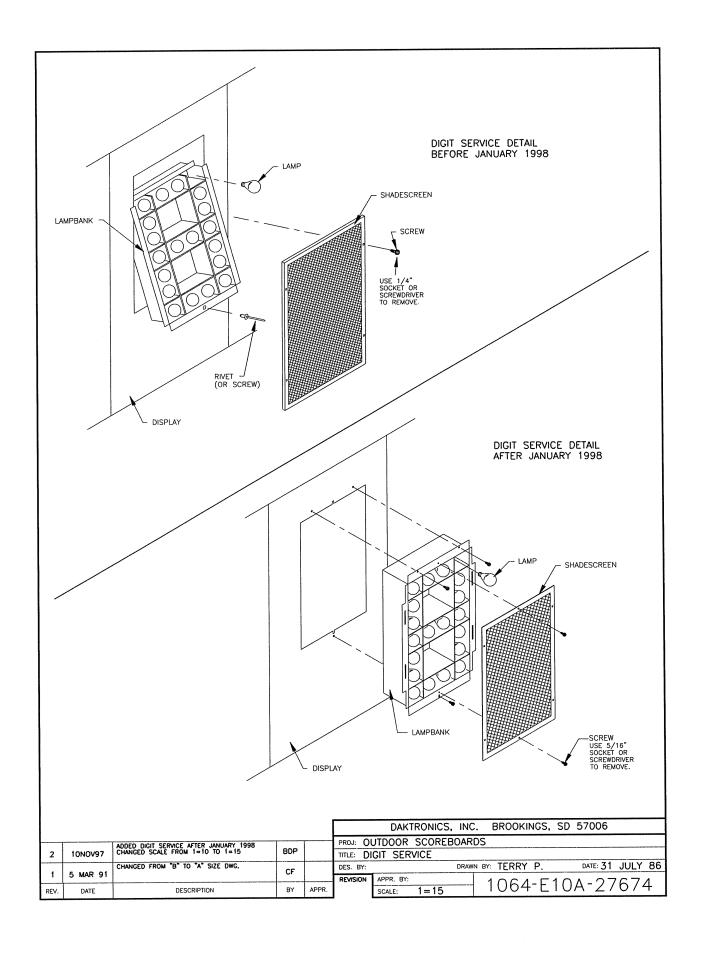
On page 2-8, the numbers on the digits refer to the lamp driver output connector wired to each digit.

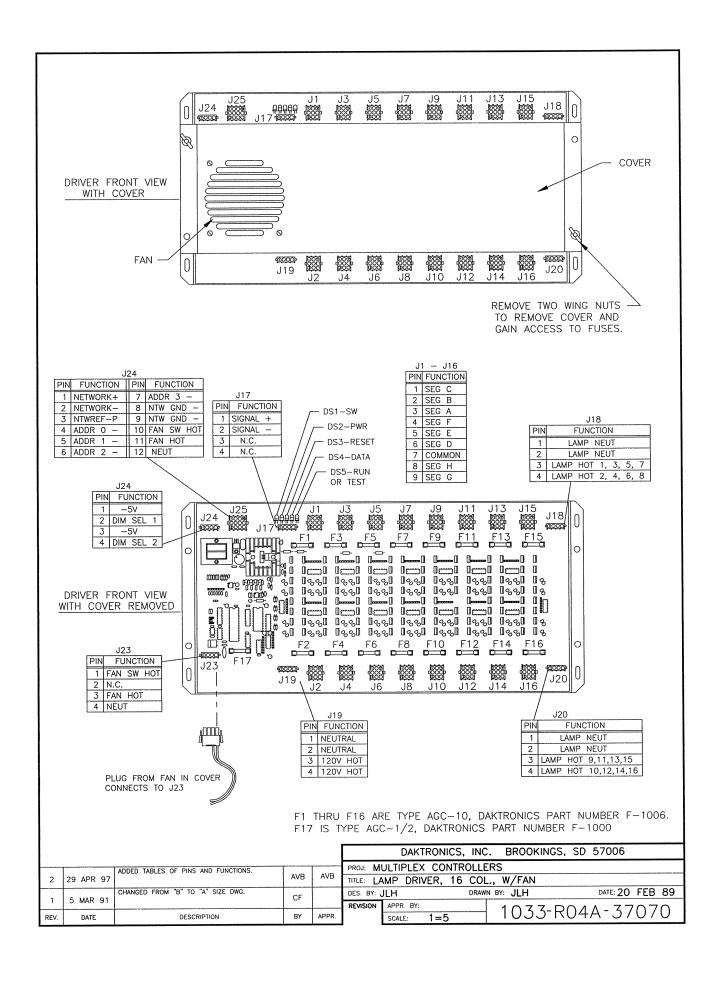
3.3 Digit Segmentation

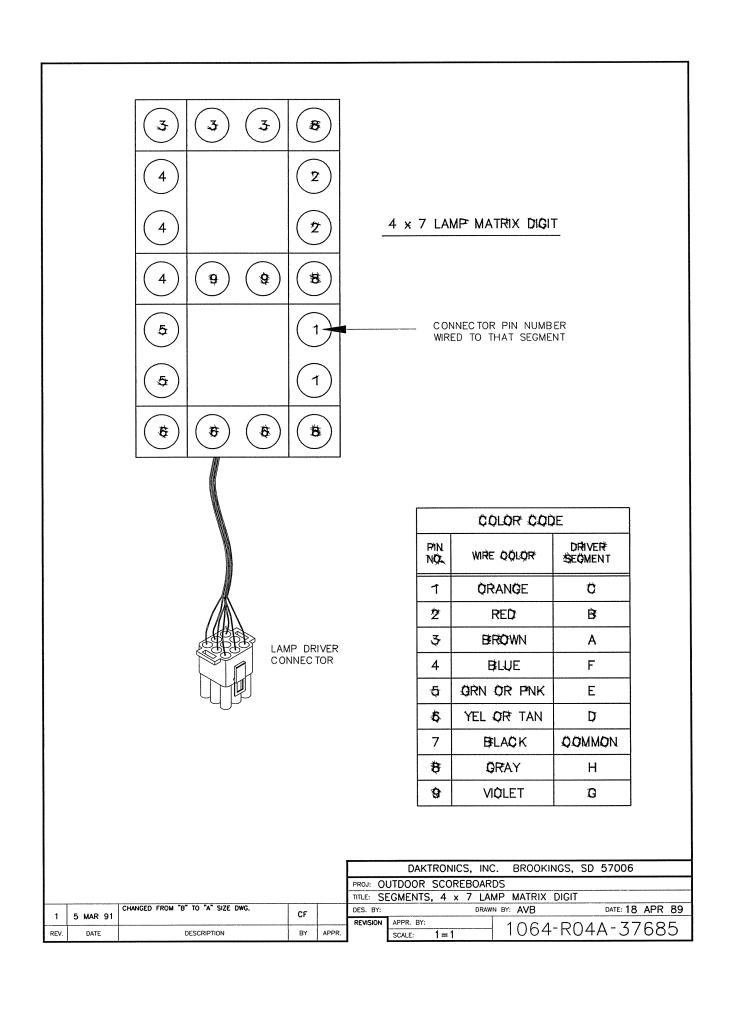
In a digit certain lamp always go on and off together. These groupings of lamps are known as "segments". Each digit has eight segments, referred by letters A through H. Page 3-5 illustrates these segments and shows which connector pin and wire color is wired to each segment.

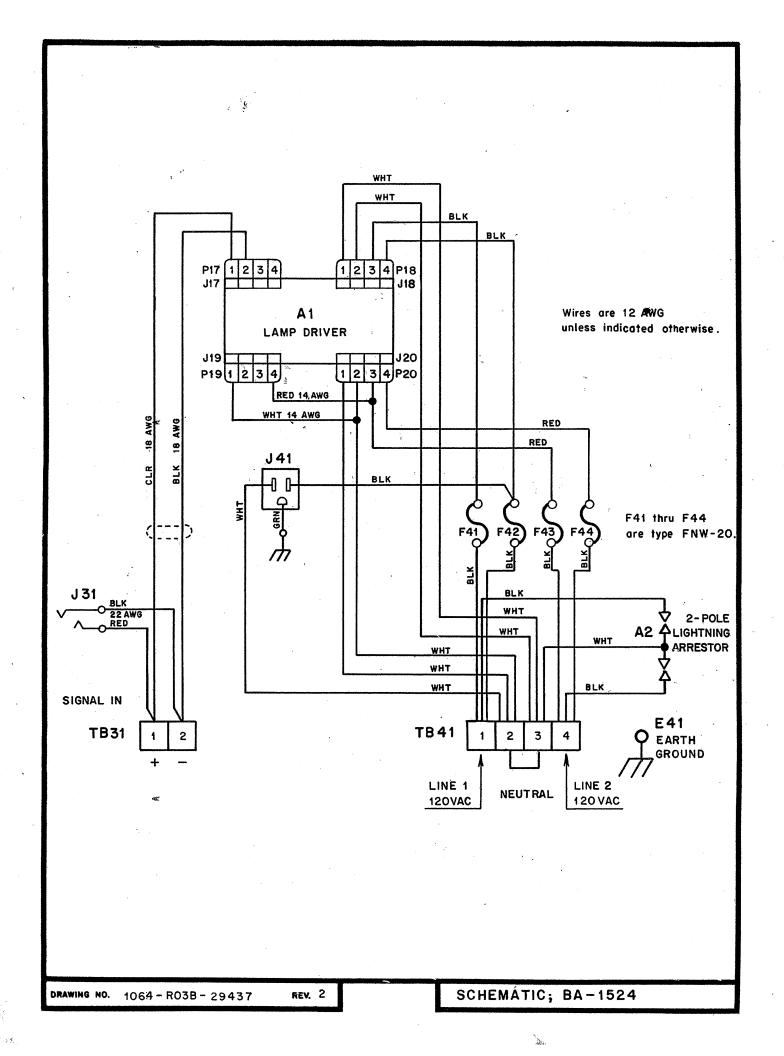
3.4 Schematic

The schematic diagram on page 3-6 shows the power and signal inputs into the display and to the lamp driver. The component numbers correspond to those shown on page 2-10.









3.5 Trouble - Shooting

This is a list of possible problems that may occur and their possible solutions.

Observed Problem Possible Cause

One lamp won't light Burned-out Lamp

Broken wire behind digit

Digit segment won't light Broken wire

Poor contact at driver connector Internal driver malfunction

Entire digit won't light Service breaker tripped

Main fuse blown

Poor contact at connector, pin 7

Fuse blown in driver

Half the display won't light Service breaker tripped

Main fuse blown

Poor contact at main power connection

P18 disconnected

Entire display won't light Power disruption

Poor signal connection Driver logic fuse blown

Control not connected to display

P20 disconnected

Segment stays lit Broken wire behind digit

Internal driver malfunction

Garbled display Control malfunction

Internal driver malfunction

If a problem is observed in one digit, the cause may be isolated by swapping plugs on the driver. That is, connect the plug from the digit into a different jack. If the same digit shows the same problem, the cause may be in the digit or wiring. If the problem moves to another digit, then the cause is probably an internal driver problem.

Use a volt meter at driver inputs to determine if power is being supplied to the driver. An ohmmeter can be helpful in finding broken wires and bad connections. Internal electronic problems must be corrected by Chrondek or an authorized service center.

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Part Name or Description	<u>Type</u>	Part Number
Lamp Driver		A-1033-42
J-Box, Signal, 16-Pin		A-1010-26
Cable, Timer/Interface/J-box		A-1067-40
Fuse, main power, 20A	FNW-20	F-1016
Fuse, Lamp Driver, 10A	AGC-10	F-1006
Fuse, Driver Logic, 1/2A	AGC-1/2	F-1000
Digit Lampbank, 24" 4x7		A-1064-02
Digit Screen, 24" 4x7		S-1064-02
Socket, Med. Base		X-1046
Lamp, 25W Frosted		DS-1029
Lamp, Fluorescent, 60" 85W		DS-1049
Lamp, Fluorescent, 72" 85W		DS-1037

For parts not listed, or for more information about installation or service, please call Chrondek. Our phone number is (605) 697-4000, or call toll-free 1-888-247-6633.

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