# **Digital Switching Systems**







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## New ECS III

Carling Technologies continues a heritage of innovation with the next generation in switching technology...the Electronic Control System III, (ECS III).

The ECS III features the latest in digital multiplex technology, creating a safer and fully configurable control system for the marine environment. With numerous advantages to both the marine manufacturer and the end operator, the ECS III truly defines a revolution in switch technology. While providing a flexible system with a new aesthetic look, the ECS III also simplifies and enhances the end operator's switching environment. Beyond product differentiation, the ECS III eliminates complex wiring while increasing switching features and functionality, and simplifies troubleshooting.

As future product enhancements necessitate more complex switching applications, Carling Technologies has the answer. Turn the page to open your eyes to a revolution in switching technology...



# The Carling Technologies' ECS III.



## The ECS III

A basic ECS III consists of at least one **Electronic Control Processor** (ECP)<sup>™</sup>, **Operator Control Module** (OCM)<sup>™</sup> and **Electronic Communications Cable** (ECC)<sup>™</sup>.

#### **Electronic Control Processor (ECP)**

The heart of the ECS is the Electronic Control Processor (ECP). The ECP receives switching commands from the OCM(s), translates the commands and activates or de-activates the appropriate circuits in the boat's electrical system. One ECP can control up to 16 separate circuits/accessories. Up to four ECP's can be linked together to provide control for up to 64 separate circuits/accessories. Each circuit is protected by its own resettable thermal circuit protector within the ECP.

Manual circuit-override switches are designed into the ECP. In the unlikely event of a system failure, these switches provide a fast and convenient way to override the ECS' electronics, without bypassing the unit's circuit protection (in accordance with ABYC\* recommendations). The manual circuit-override can also be used to switch ON/OFF circuits, without powering up the entire ECS.

The ECP is factory programmable to meet your application needs.

#### Standard Operator Control Modules (OCMs)

Standard OCMs are backlit and are offered in two configurations: four button and eight button. OCMs include LEDs, which are illuminated when an individual button is activated. Numerous OCM colors, markings and illumination options are available.





#### Custom Operator Control Modules (OCMs)

Custom OCM shapes, colors and configurations can be designed for your panel to meet your switching, marking and illumination needs.





Switching commands are transmitted from the OCM(s) to the ECP via the ECC. The ECC can be supplied in any length to suit your application needs.



\* ABYC: American Boat & Yacht Council



#### **Standard Software Features**

Each ECS contains a base software program which has been developed to provide boatbuilders and end users with the maximum benefit of digital switching technology. The following are some of the standard software features provided with every Carling ECS:

## Load Protection and Circuit Shutdown

Voltage monitoring software and battery drain protection are standard, and can be assigned to individual buttons on the OCM. This feature minimizes the chances of the voltage level dropping to a non-operational low level, by shutting down low priority circuits during low voltage situations.

The software constantly monitors the battery voltage and electrical components that are being operated by the ECP. The normal operating range for the 12V ECP to function properly is between 9 volts and 16 volts. The normal operating range for the 24V ECP to function properly is between 18 and 32 volts.

The ECP can automatically turn OFF components at a specific voltage level. Each circuit can be assigned one of three levels of battery protection. By assigning a priority level to each circuit, the ECS knows which electrical circuit to turn OFF, and in which order, when the battery voltage drops below the programmed Low Voltage Level. Priority Level One Circuits will always remain ON.

The operator can override the Circuit Shut Down by pressing the corresponding button on the OCM.

### Sleep Mode

The ECP provides battery protection by reducing the amount of current that the ECS draws when it is not being used.

- a. Shut Down: The ECP can be programmed to shut down after a customer defined set time.
- b. Restart: The ECP will reboot its normal operations.

## **Dedicated Bilge Pump Circuits**

Many boats utilizing bilge pumps have an automatic float switch to turn the bilge pump ON in the event of a high water situation. The ECS has provisions to connect the auto float switch to the same circuit protector as the manual bilge pump, eliminating the need for additional circuit protection, or even worse, leaving the auto bilge circuit unprotected. The float switch connection is independent of the ECS electronics, and power will be maintained to this connection even if the master power switch on the ECS is turned OFF. Additionally, the switched line doubles as a sensor which can be configured to detect if the float switch has turned the bilge pump ON and will indicate this on the keypad (in accordance with ABYC recommendations).

## Key Benefits of the ECS III:

- Simplified operator control, comfort and safety
- Ease of installation
- Reduced labor installation time
- Simplified wiring resulting in weight reduction and space savings
- Ease of serviceability and troubleshooting
- Programmable and expandable switching functions

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Additional Standa	ard Software Features		
Ignition Sensing	The ECS can be tied to the ignition switch so some features only work when the key is in the ON or accessory position. Other circuits (ie, bilge) would work regardless of ignition switch position.	Bilge Pump Auto Detect Circuit	The ECS will detect when a bilge pump has been turned ON by a float switch, & will indicate this on the OCM (as required by the ABYC).
		Cloned Switches	Individual circuits can be controlled with
Backlighting	OCM backlighting is controlled by either a particular switch button press or by the position of the ignition switch.		multiple switch buttons in multiple loca- tions.
		Dimming	The ECS can be configured to dim the
Low Battery Sensing	The ECS can be configured to sense bat-		function indication LEDs to a preset value
	tery voltage and turn OFF non-critical loads as the battery starts to drain. The levels (x2) at which circuits are turned		by turning on a particular circuit, typically the navigation or anchor lights.
	OFF are customer configurable.	Lock-out Circuits	Lock-out Circuits can be configured to not work if another specific circuit is ON. This
Automatic Shutdown	The ECS can be configured to turn OFF all functions after a prescribed period of inactivity.		is an ideal configuration for motor revers- ing circuits.
		Tripped Circuit	The ECS will detect when a circuit
Configurable Always On Circuits	Circuits (relays) can be configured to be ON all of the time. This allows the ECP to be used as a distribution panel (ie.	<b>Breaker Sensing</b> (pending)	breaker has tripped and will indicate the trip with a rapid flashing LED on the OCM.
	for stereo memory) as well as a switching system.	Remote-Reset Circuit Breaker (pending)	Using an auto-reset thermal circuit breaker, the ECS is capable of remotely resetting circuits.

## Hardware Features

Multiple ECPs	Up to 4 ECPs, totalling up to 64 cir- cuits per ECS.	Dedicated Bilge Pump Circuits (x2)	One switched output for manual control and one unswitched output for float switch connection on
Multiple OCMs	Up to 16 OCMs per ECS, using stan- dard 4 & 8 button boards.		a common circuit breaker.
		Override Switches (x8)	Provides manual conventional switch-
Circuit Protection	Carling Technologies' thermal circuit breakers.		ing as a back-up for critical circuits. Maintains circuit protection.
Auxiliary Digital Input	Each ECP has a digital input for con- nection of an external sensor or dis- crete switch.	Master Power ON-OFF Switch	Turns the ECS OFF to avoid battery drain, during extended periods of non-use.



Primary Circuit Cor	nfigurations (actuated by one button push)		
Toggle Momentary	Turns circuit(s) ON with one press, OFF with the next press. Turns circuit(s) ON while pressed.	Exclusive Scroll	Turns ON 1 <sup>st</sup> circuit with first press. Turns ON 2 <sup>nd</sup> circuit with 2 <sup>nd</sup> press, turn- ing OFF 1 <sup>st</sup> circuit. Controls up to eight cir- cuits.
Countdown	Turns circuit(s) ON with one press. Turns circuit(s) OFF automatically after preset period of time. Can be configured to have LED flash during countdown.	<i>Binary Scroll</i> (00, 01, 10, 11)	Turns ON 1 <sup>st</sup> circuit with first press. Turns ON 2 <sup>nd</sup> circuit with 2 <sup>nd</sup> press turning OFF first circuit. Turns 1 <sup>st</sup> circuit back ON leav- ing 2 <sup>nd</sup> circuit ON with next press, count- ing in binary. Controls up to four circuits.
Intermittent	Turns circuit(s) ON with one press. Circuit(s) will cycle ON and OFF automati- cally at a preset rate until the button is	Reverse Binary Scroll	Binary Scroll with reverse count.
	pressed again. Can be configured to have LED flash during OFF portion of the cycle.	Momentary Scroll	Turns ON 1 <sup>st</sup> circuit while button is pressed and held. After releasing button, the next press and hold will turn ON the 2 <sup>nd</sup> circuit. Ideal for hatch up/down from
Inclusive Scroll	Turns ON one circuit with first press. Turns ON successive circuits with addi-		one button.
	tional presses. Previous circuits stay ON. Turns OFF all circuits with last press. Controls up to eight circuits.	Master Toggle	Controls up to four circuits. Turns circuits on with one press. Circuits can now be individually turned OFF and back ON with separate buttons. Second press will turn
Reverse Inclusive Scroll	Turns ON all configured circuits with first press. Turns OFF successive circuits with additional presses until all circuits are OFF. Controls up to eight circuits.		all associated circuits that are ON, OFF. Allows for master control of lights with separate remote controls.

## Secondary Circuit Configurations (actuated by pressing & holding button for approximately 3 seconds)

Countdown	Turns circuit(s) ON with one press. Turns OFF automatically after preset period of time. Can be configured to have LED flash during countdown time.	Intermittent	Turns circuit(s) ON with one press. Circuit(s) will cycle ON and OFF auto- matically at a preset rate until the button is pressed again. Can be con- figured to have LED flash during OFF portion of the cycle.
Cancel	Turns OFF all circuits associated with a scroll primary function		





#### **ECS III Typical Wiring Diagram**



#### **Recommended Mounting**

1. The ECP should be mounted in an area easily accessible to the operator to allow:

a. access to integrated manual circuit override switches for critical loads.

b. access to thermal protectors, so they can be reset if a circuit has an overload condition.

- 2. Suggested ECP mounting: 45° to 90° (vertical), or on a hinged door for easy accessibility.
- 3. If cover of ECP is removed, after replacing cover, torque screws to 8 - 10 in-lbs.

GENERAL NOTES: 1. ECS must be wired directly to battery. Do not branch ECS power from starter lines!

2. Circuit protect system per ABYC standards.

Diagram represents recommended wiring only.
 A hard reset of the system may be necessary should power become unstable.

Electrical			
Recommended System Voltage	12V nominal system: 9-16V 24V nominal system: 18-32V	Standby Current - OFF Memory Type	15mA max. in sleep mode Flash
Switch Life (keypad)	exceeds one million operations per button		
ECP Current	100A maximum		
Environmental (Mee	ts EMC Directive 89/336/EEC, as amended b	y 92/31/EEC and 93/68/EEC)	
Operating Temperature Storage Temperature	-30°C to + 50°C -40°C to + 50°C	Salt Spray RCA Abrasion Wear Test	MIL-STD-202F
Humidity	MIL-STD-202F	(keypad)	100 times
Mechanical			
PC Board	.093 thick FR-4	Connectors (OCM)	Deutsch DT13-4P
Relay	12V, 8 positions @ 15A and 25A 24V, 8 positions @ 10A and 16A	Power Lug Power Lug Hardware	Brass Alloy, electroplated bright tin Brass Alloy Hex Nuts, Lock Washers
Cover Housing (ECP)	PBT/ABS, Black	romer Lug Hardware	Flat Washers
Cover Gasket (ECP)	Translucent silicone rubber, durome- ter: 40±5	Information Labels	Opaque polyester, white background, black and red printing
Cover Screws	Cover screws 302SS	Typical Actuation Force	890 grams
Connectors (ECP)	Deutsch DT13-4P, -12PA, -08PA	of Buttons on Keypad	
CLB-Series Therma	I Circuit Protection		



OVERLOAD	TRIP TIME
100%	NO TRIP
150%	TRIP IN 1 HR
200%	5 - 35 SEC.
300%	1.5-9 SEC.
400%	0.9 - 5.5 SEC.
500%	0.5 - 3.5 SEC.
600%	0.3 - 2.8 SEC.
600%	0.3 - 2.8 SEC.

**Circuit Protection** Rating **Approvals** Dielectric Strength Interrupting capacity Resettable overload capacity Insulation Resistance Voltage drop

CLBXX311ANNRA 3 to 40A, 125-250VAC, 32VDC UL/CUL 1500 VAC/ 1 minute 1000 amps 10x rated current 100M ohms < 0.25 V

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## **Connection Diagram**





## **Dimensional Specifications**





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**Electronic Control System** 

**Configuration Sheet** 

Total # Of OCMs:

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CUSTOMER INFORMATION:			_
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Address:		City, State, ZIP:	
Phone:		email:	
APPLICATION INFORMATION:			
Type Of Boat:			
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Panel Source & Contact:		· ·	
# Of Operator Stations:		Total # Of Controlled Loads:	Т

1. ENTER GLOBAL PARAMET	TERS		
Parameter	Range	Default	Setting
Ignore Ignition	ON/OFF	ON	
Backlight On Ignition	ON/OFF	OFF	
Inactivity Power-Down Time	0 (No Shutdown) to 54 hours in 10 minute increments	10 Hours	
Count-Down On Time	3 seconds to 12 minutes, 42 seconds in 3 second increments	3 Minutes	
Intermittent On-Time	3 seconds to 12 minutes, 42 seconds in 3 second increments	1 Minute	
Intermittent Off-Time	3 seconds to 12 minutes, 42 seconds in 3 second increments	1 Minute	
Low Voltage Stage 1	helvetica	9.8V	
Low Voltage Stage 2	6.0V to Stage 11V in .1V increments	9.2V	

#### 2. ENTER LOAD CIRCUIT SPECIFICATIONS (see notes.)

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Circuit #	Function	Master Override	Load Current	Inrush	Load Preference	CB Rating	Shutdown Priority	Std/Accy	Comments
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Notes:

Master override is available on up to 8 circuits per ECP.

If inrush current is unknown, please provide as much information about the load as possible such as MFG, MFG P/N etc.

Available circuit breaker ratings are: 3.0A, 4.0A, 5.0A, 6.0A, 7.0A, 8.0A, 10A, 12A, 13A, 15A, 20A & 25A. Add information for additional circuits, If more than 16 circuits are required Circuit numbers do not correspond to actual connections to the ECS. Refer to customer kit drawing for connection details.



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## Carling leads the way in digital switching technology with the ECS III

Multiplex switching technology offers many benefits over traditional analog switching, to both the manufacturer and to the end user. The marine manufacturer benefits from decreased wiring time, expense, weight, and complexity, while the end operator benefits from increased control, switching flexibility and a safer boating environment.

Leading the revolution in the marine market for digital switching technology, Carling Technologies' ECS III delivers on a promise to simplify marine equipment. Don't wait for the future to drive you, catch the wave and switch to a simpler world of switching technology.

## For more information:

For more information on the ECS III, please:

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Let us show you how we can put the power of digital switching in your control!



## **Other Carling Technologies Catalogs**







### **Switches and Controls**

This catalog includes the complete line of Carlingswitch brand electrical switches for most any power switching need. Included are rocker, toggle, pushbutton, rotary and sealed switches with a wide variety of circuits, ratings, terminations, colors, illuminations, and legends. Worldwide certifications, UL1500, CE marked.

## **Circuit Protection**

This catalog details Carling circuit protection products including hydraulic/magnetic circuit breakers and ground fault breakers. Breakers range from 0.1 to 700 amps Hi-inrush delay curves, Front Panel Snap-in Mounting styles, Rockerguard Bezels, Dual-Coil functions, and Quick Connect Terminals are included. Worldwide certifications, including UL1500, UL489 and CE marked. A Carling thermal circuit protection catalog is also available.

## **Power Distribution Centers**

This catalog includes the complete line of standard AC and DC Power Distribution Centers and Battery Disconnects. All products are designed to fit into industry standard racks, from 1RU to 3RU, and utilize Carling hydraulic/magnetic circuit breakers.

#### Warranty Policy

Carling Technologies, Inc. (Seller) warrants that goods sold hereunder shall be free of defects in material and workmanship for one year from date of shipment. In the event of such defects, the Seller's only obligation shall be the replacement or the cost of the defective goods, themselves, excluding, without limitation, labor costs, which are or may be required in connection with the replacement or reinstallation of the goods. This warranty is the Seller's sole obligation and excludes all other remedies or warranties, express or implied, including warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, whether or not purposes or specifications are described herein. This Warranty expressly excludes any and all incidental, special and/or consequential damages of any nature. Seller further disclaims any responsibility for injury to person or damage to or loss of property or value caused by any product which has been subjected to misuse, negligence, or accident; or misapplied, or modified or repaired by a person or persons not authorized by the Seller or which have been improperly installed.

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