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Standards Update Transmittal

Reference Number: 2023-06
Standards: Standard Drawings, SL-13 & SL-14

Update:

1. Modification to Standard Drawings:
 - a. SL-13: 2-WIRE STREET LIGHT SYSTEM, WIRE SIZE AND VOLTAGE DROP CALCULATION, updating tables, calculations and references to reflect LED luminaires instead of HPS luminaires.
 - b. SL-14: 3-WIRE STREET LIGHT SYSTEM, WIRE SIZE AND VOLTAGE DROP CALCULATION, updating tables, calculations and references to reflect LED luminaires instead of HPS luminaires.

Effect of Update:

1. The Standard Construction Drawings required all luminaires to be LED. However, Standard Drawings SL-13 & SL-14 referenced voltage drop calculations for HPS luminaires. This update will bring consistency between Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Drawings.

Request for Update Initiated By: Shoab Ahrary, PE, ESD Manager 8/23/2022

Update Reviewed for Conformity and Consistency to Standards:

Shoab Ahrary

6/20/2023 | 2:21 PM PDT

SHOAB AHRARY, PE, ESD Manager

Date

Update to Standards Approved:

Jeffrey R. Werner

6/21/2023 | 5:17 PM PDT

JEFFREY R. WERNER, PE, City Engineer

Date

TYPICAL VOLTAGE DROP CALCULATION FOR 2 - WIRE SYSTEM

VOLTAGE DROP (COPPER CONDUCTOR) = $\frac{D \times A \times N \times 22}{\text{CIRCULAR MILS}}$

D = Length of section, in feet.

A = Line operating amperes drawn by one light.

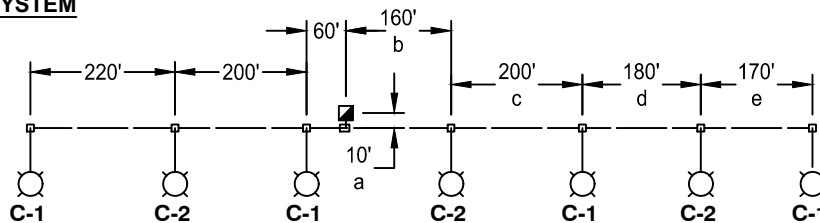
N = Number of lights in the circuit beyond the section.

WIRE SIZE (AWG)	AREA (Circular Mils)
14	4,110
12	6,530
10	10,380
8	16,510
6	26,250
4	41,740

Driver Maximum Input Amps for Light Emitting Diode (LED) Luminaires (At 115 Volts)

All Fixtures: 1.25 Amps

TYPICAL MULTIPLE STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM



EXAMPLE CALCULATION:

FIND TOTAL VOLTAGE DROP IN CIRCUIT #1:
(115 volt system)

NOTE:

Dimension "a" is the distance between the service can and the adjacent load pull box. Use "a"=10' for standard installations where the load pull box is immediately adjacent to the service can.

Voltage drop calculations

Section a = $\frac{10 (1.25 \times 4) (22)}{10,380}$ = 0.11

Section b + c = $\frac{360 (1.25 \times 2) (22)}{10,380}$ = 1.91

Section d + e = $\frac{350 (1.25 \times 1) (22)}{10,380}$ = 0.93

TOTAL VOLTAGE DROP = 2.95

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115W Light Emitting Diode Luminaire

Circuit #1



Service Can



Conduit with #10 AWG Conductors

NOTES:

- Design must be based on a two (2) wire system, even though three (3) wires (with a single common wire) are actually used.
- Maximum voltage drop allowed in 115 volt system = 8.05 volts.

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**2 - WIRE STREET LIGHT SYSTEM
WIRE SIZE AND VOLTAGE DROP
CALCULATION**

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DRAWING NUMBER
SL - 13

TYPICAL VOLTAGE DROP CALCULATION FOR 3 - WIRE SYSTEM

VOLTAGE DROP (COPPER CONDUCTOR) = $\frac{D \times A \times N \times 11}{\text{CIRCULAR MILS}}$

D = Length of section, in feet.

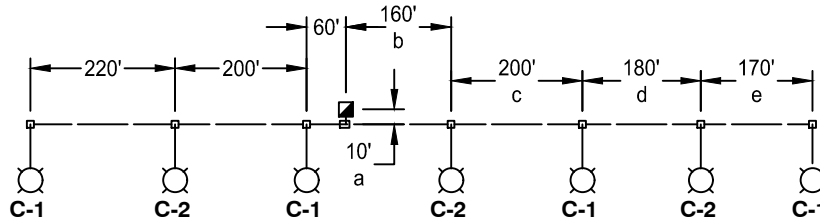
A = Line operating amperes drawn by one light.

N = Number of lights in the circuit beyond the section.

WIRE SIZE (AWG)	AREA (Circular Mils)
14	4,110
12	6,530
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6	26,250
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Driver Maximum Input Amps for Light Emitting Diode (LED) Luminaires (At 115 Volts)
All Fixtures: 1.25 Amps

TYPICAL MULTIPLE STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM



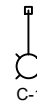
EXAMPLE CALCULATION:

FIND TOTAL VOLTAGE DROP IN CIRCUIT #1:
(115 volt system)

NOTE:

Dimension "a" is the distance between the service can and the adjacent load pull box. Use "a"=10' for standard installations where the load pull box is immediately adjacent to the service can.

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115W Light Emitting Diode Luminaire

Circuit #1



Service Can



Conduit with #12 AWG Conductors

Voltage drop calculations

Section a = $\frac{10 (1.25 \times 4) (11)}{6,530} = 0.08$

Section b + c = $\frac{360 (1.25 \times 2) (11)}{6,530} = 1.52$

Section d + e = $\frac{350 (1.25 \times 1) (11)}{6,530} = 0.74$

TOTAL VOLTAGE DROP = 2.34

NOTE:

Maximum voltage drop allowed in 115 volt system = 6.90 volts.

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3 - WIRE STREET LIGHT SYSTEM
WIRE SIZE AND VOLTAGE DROP
CALCULATION

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