

Technical Reference

SENTINEL-PROX READERS

Reader Cable Specifications

Change History

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When an extender cable is installed between an AWID reader and the panel or controller to which it is connected, the cable should meet the following specifications:

Number of conductors	Proximity readers:	5 or 6, plus shield or drain		
	Long-range reader (LR-911)	: 7 or 8, plus shield or drain		
Wire type	Copper, stranded			
Wire size	22 gauge			
Insulation	Each wire, color-coded			
Wire combinations	Individual wires – <i>not</i> twisted-pairs			
Cable shieldOverall shield only – <i>not</i> by pairs				
Shield typeBraid or foil, rated 100%				
Sheath	Overall plastic protective sheath			
Maximum cable length	Wiegand interface: 500 feet			
	RS-232 interface: 50 feet			

Notes

Cable quality: Using high-quality cable pays dividends in ease of installation, performance of the reader, and long life.

Twisted-pair cable: If existing twisted pair cable is used, the AWID reader will perform best if the Wiegand-interface data lines (Data 0 and Data 1 - the green and white wires) are split between two different pairs. For example, the Data 0 line (green) can be paired with DC Power Plus (red); and the Data 1 line (white) can be paired with Power Common or Ground (black). This helps to prevent cross-talk between the data lines in long cable runs.

Power common: If an independent power supply is used for the AWID reader, tie the ground side of all power supplies to the controller's ground terminal. This creates a common ground reference for the power ground terminal in the controller's reader input ports, lock power, and reader power.

Cable grounding: See the Installation Sheet for each reader model for grounding requirements.