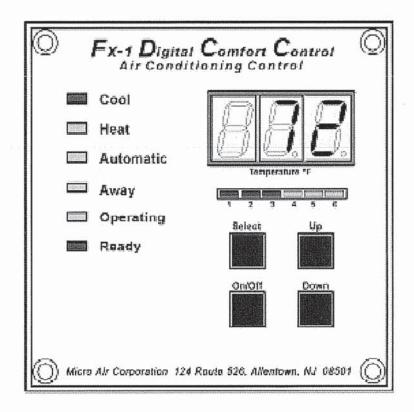
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The **FX-1** Control is designed for use with all direct expansion, reverse cycle air conditioning systems. **FX-1** has a universal power supply that operates on 115, 230, 50 or 60 Hz AC power. FX-1 includes the following standard and optional features:

#### Standard Features

User friendly 4 button display panel requires no manual for basic operation.

Five volt logic and micro controller located in the display.

3-digit 7-segment display panel indicates °Fahrenheit or °Celsius.

Room temperature sensor integral in the display panel.

Automatic fan speed reduction as set point is approached.

Six [6] programmable manual fan speeds.

17 programmable parameters for custom installations.

AC voltmeter to protect valuable electrical components.

High and low Freon pressure sensor inputs.

Away Mode for controlling relative humidity.

De-Icing cycle to prevent evaporator coil icing.

Programmable multiple compressor staging delays.

Universal AC power supply.

Nonvolatile memory retains settings without batteries.

Programmable display brightness control for night use.

# **Optional Features**

The following optional items can be added by plugging the device into the appropriate jack and making the necessary programming changes.

Outside air temperature sensor... No programming necessary.

Alternate air temperature sensor... No programming necessary.

Custom paintable display panels.

Pump Guard water sensor... Program setting of P-9 required.

This manual is designed to provide all the information necessary to insure proper installation and operation of the **FX-1**. Poor installation and <u>misunderstood</u> operating parameters will result in unsatisfactory performance and premature failure of the FX-1.

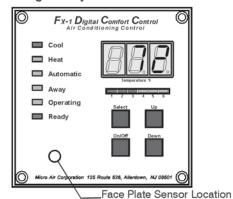
# Read This Manual Completely Before Proceeding!

If you require assistance prior to or during the installation of the FX-1 call Micro Air at 609-259-2636 or Fax your questions to Micro Air at 609-259-6601.

The **FX-1** is covered under existing Micro Air Warranty Policy. Incorrect installation, neglect and system abuse are not covered under Micro Air's warranty policy.

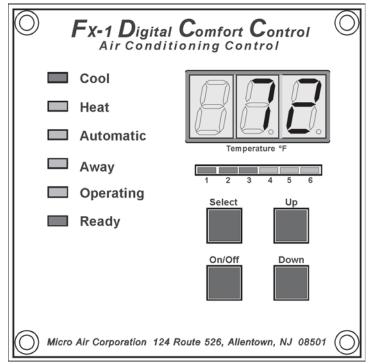
#### **IMPORTANT!**

The systems air sensor is located in the Display Panel. The display MUST be located on an inside wall, NOT in direct sunlight at eye level.



If these conditions cannot be met, the Optional Remote Air Sensor must be purchased and installed in the return air stream.

**POWER BUTTON** Press the power button once to toggle the unit to the on mode. Press the power button again to toggle the unit to the off mode.



**UP BUTTON** Momentarily press and the set point will appear in the temperature display. The set point increases one degree each time the up button is pressed and released.

**DOWN BUTTON** Momentarily press and release to display the set point. The set point is decreased one degree each time the down button is pressed and released.

**SELECT BUTTON** The **select button** is used to select one of 4 Operating Modes. Press and release to advance to the next mode. Continue to press and release until the desired Operating Mode is reached. The mode selected is indicated by the Mode LED.

THREE DIGIT DISPLAY The inside

[supply] temperature is displayed whenever the control is turned on. The display provides a readout of the inside air temperature.

**HEAT MODE LED** The heat mode LED is lit when Heating is selected.

**COOL MODE LED** The cool mode LED is lit when the Cooling is selected.

**AUTO LED** The auto LED is lit when the Automatic Heating or Cooling Mode is selected. The control will automatically switch to heating or cooling when this mode is selected.

**AWAY MODE LED** The away LED is lit when the Away Mode [Rh Control] is selected.

**AUTO FAN SPEEDS** The fan speeds are automatically reduced as the set point is approached.

**FAN SPEED BAR GRAPH** There are six [6] individual fan speed LED's. Each LED represents one [1] fan speed. Low fan [1] is indicated by illuminating the first LED. High fan speed is indicated by illuminating all six [6] LED's.

**MANUAL FAN SPEEDS** Manual fan speed settings are available via system programming. See the first programming item on page 9.

**OPERATING LED** The system operating status [ compressor on or off ] is indicated by the operating LED.

FX-1 is a user friendly, easy to operate, programmable temperature control.

Press the ON/OFF button once to engage the system. The Display indicates room temperature when the system is on and the Display is blank when the system is off.

Press and release the Select Button until the desired Mode LED is illuminated.

Set the desired room temperature by pressing the up or down button. The set point can be viewed by momentarily pressing and releasing the Up or Down Button.

Fan speed operation is automatic allowing fan speed to decrease as room temperature is approached. The fan speed decreases as the set point is approached. The fan will operate at low speed when set point is satisfied. Manual fan speeds can be selected by entering the program mode and selecting the desired manual fan speed. The fan will operate at the speed selected and will not change speeds with room temperature. See page 9 of this manual for programming instructions.

The fan can be programmed to cycle on and off with demand, allowing the fan to run only when cooling or heating is required. Normally the automatic fan speed operation is reversed in the heating mode, however, the fan can be programmed to operate the same as in the cooling mode.

#### NORMAL HEATING OR COOLING CYCLE

Select Cool only and cooling only will be supplied. The cabin temperature will be maintained within  $2 \degree F$  of the set point. Select Heat only and only heating will be supplied. The cabin temperature will be maintained within  $2 \degree F$  of the set point.

Select Automatic and both heating and cooling will be supplied as required. While in the Automatic Mode FX-1 will maintain a two degrees Fahrenheit (2 °F) temperature variation. A four degree swing is required to cause the unit to shift to the opposite mode. Once in a given mode, heating or cooling, FX-1 will maintain a two degree differential.

When the Heating or Cooling demand is satisfied, the compressor cycles off and the Automatic Fan returns to low speed. The fan speed will remain constant if Manual Fan Speed has been programmed.

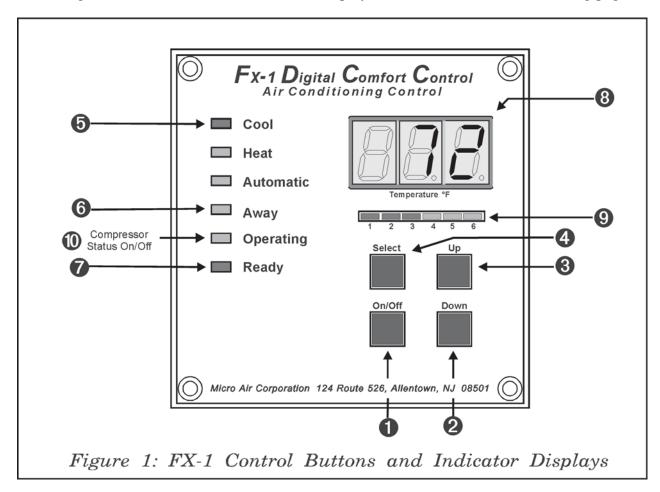
#### REVERSING VALVE OPERATION

The reversing valve is toggled to the opposite mode when heating or cooling is required to reduce the compressor starting surge. The valve will only toggle to the opposite mode when a cooling or heating cycle is called for and if the system has been off for less than seventy-five (75) seconds. The valve will also toggle if a cycle is interrupted from the display panel by pressing the power button ON/OFF, or changing the set point. Unnecessary valve toggling has been limited to reduce reversing valve noise. Valve toggling can be totally eliminated by programming the minimum compressor staging delay at seventy-five seconds (75) or greater.

**Power on reset**, which occurs when the system is powered up, will always initiate a valve toggle.

**Memory: FX-1** has nonvolatile memory which requires no batteries or any form of backup power. When power is lost the operating parameters are retained indefinitely. When power is restored, the control resumes operating as last programmed. All operating and programming parameters are entered into nonvolatile memory instantly and are retained indefinitely.

Refer to figure 1 for the buttons locations and display functions listed on the following pages.



- **1. POWER BUTTON** The power button is used to toggle between the **on** and **off modes**. Press the power button once to toggle the unit to the on mode. Press the power button again to toggle the unit to the off mode.
- **2. DOWN BUTTON** Momentarily press and release the **down button** to display the set point. Press and release the **down button** to decrease the set point. The set point is decreased one degree each time the down button is pressed and released. The lowest set point allowed is 55 ° Fahrenheit. The down button is used in conjunction with the up button to display the outside air temperature when the control is on. The down button is also used to reduce program values in the program mode.
- **3. UP BUTTON** Momentarily press the **up button** and the set point will appear in the temperature display. Press and release the up button to increase the set point one degree. The set point is increased by one degree each time the up button is pressed and released. The highest set point allowed is 85 ° F. The up button is used in conjunction with the down button to display the outside air temperature when the control is on. The up button is also used to increase program values in the program mode.

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- **4. SELECT BUTTON** The **select button** is used to select one of the four operating modes. Press and release the **select button** and the FX-1 will advance to the next mode. Continue to press and release the select button until the desired operating mode is reached. The mode selected is indicated by the Mode LED, i.e., Cool, Heat, Automatic or Away Mode.
- **5. COOL MODE LED** The cool mode LED will be lit when the Cooling Mode has been selected.

**HEAT MODE LED** The heat mode LED will be lit when the Heat Mode has been selected. The heat mode LED is also lit when the optional electric heat is installed and the heat mode is selected. Electric heater status, on or off, is indicated by the Operating LED.

**6. AWAY MODE LED** The Away Mode LED will be lit when the Away Mode has been selected. This mode is used to control moisture during periods when the vessel is unoccupied.

| Cool              | 1  |
|-------------------|----|
| ] Heat            | 10 |
| l Automatic       |    |
| l <sub>Away</sub> |    |
| Operating         |    |
| Ready             |    |
|                   | 1  |

- **7. READY LED** The Ready LED is on whenever AC power is supplied to the control. The Ready LED remains on when the control is in both the ON and OFF Modes.
- **8. THREE DIGIT SEVEN SEGMENT DISPLAY** The inside air temperature is displayed in the window whenever the control is turned on. The three digit 7 segment display provides a readout of the inside air temperature which is located in the face plate. An **optional alternate** air sensor is available for installations that cannot use the face plate sensor.

The display also indicates program information, fault codes and outside air temperature when the **optional outside air sensor** is installed.

The display will momentarily indicate the **set point** when either the **up** or **down** button is pressed and released.

When the control resumes operation after a power interruption all the display LEDs will turn on for one second. This is a normal operating condition and is referred to as "Power On Reset".

- **9. FAN SPEED BAR GRAPH** There are six [6] individual fan speed LED's in the Fan Speed Bar Graph. Each LED represents one [1] fan speed. Low fan speed [1] is indicated by illuminating the first LED. High fan speed is indicated by illuminating all six [6] LED's. Any of the six [6] fan speeds available are displayed by illuminating the appropriate LED's.
- **10. OPERATING STATUS LED** The Operating LED is **on** when the compressor is **on** and **off** when the compressor is **off**. The Operating LED also indicates when the optional electric heater is turned on.

**DUAL BUTTON FUNCTIONS** 

**Up & Down Buttons...** Press the up and down button together and the outside air temperature will be displayed, providing the **OPTIONAL OUTSIDE AIR TEMPERATURE SENSOR** has been installed. No programming is required. **Press the UP & Down Buttons** simultaneously, while in the program mode, to set new custom programming defaults.

**Power & Down Buttons...** Simultaneously press the power and down buttons while viewing the Service Fault History Log clears the fault History Log.

# SPECIAL BUTTON FUNCTIONS

Special button functions are implemented by pressing and holding a particular button while the controls' AC power is turned on.

- **1. Service History Log...** View the service history log by pressing and holding the **select button** while turning on the AC power. Exit the service history log by pressing the **power button** once. Clear the service history log by simultaneously pressing the power and down buttons.
- **2. Self Test Mode...** Press and hold the **power button** while AC power is applied to enter the self test mode. The self test is used to diagnose problems and test the air conditioning system. For complete details see page 15 of this manual.
- **3. View Hour Meter...** To view the compressor hour meter, press and hold the **down button** while applying AC power. Maximum recorded time is 10,000 hours. The hour meter stops at maximum (10,000 hrs) and can only be reset by Micro Air Corporation. The hour meter functions are described fully on page 17 of this manual.

Modes of Operation

# Off Mode

When the **FX-1** is in the **off mode**, all control outputs are turned off. Program parameters and user settings are saved in nonvolatile memory. The program mode can only be accessed from the off mode. The power LED remains lit in the off mode.

#### On Mode

When the control is in the **on mode**, power will be supplied to the appropriate control outputs and the display will indicate the current state of operation. The operating and program parameters resume based on those stored the last time the unit was operating.

# Cool Only Mode

When **Cool LED** is on, only the cooling systems are selected and operated as required. When the temperature drops below the set point, the system will **not automatically** switch to the heating mode. Cooling only is available for customers that do not want automatic cooling and heating operation. Systems without reverse cycle heating can have an optional electric heater installed should heating be required.

# Heating Mode Only

When the **Heat LED** is on, only the heating systems are selected and operated as required. Should the temperature rise above the set point, the system will **not automatically** switch to the cooling mode. Heating only is supplied for customers that require the system to not automatically switch from the heating to the cooling mode.

#### Automatic Mode

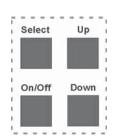
When **the Automatic LED** is on, both heating and cooling are supplied as required. The **heat** and **cool LEDs** will be lit according to the mode required. When the system requires compressor operation for heating or cooling the Operating LED will turn on when the compressor is on.

Temperature in a given mode will be maintained at two degrees Fahrenheit ( $2 \,^{\circ} \, F$ ), however, a four degree difference is required to allow the control to change modes. Once in a new mode, the temperature will remain within two degrees Fahrenheit ( $2 \,^{\circ} \, F$ ) of the set point.

# Cool Heat Automatic Away Operating Ready

#### Away-Mode

While in the **on mode**, press the Select Button until the Away Mode LED is illuminated. The first cycle will start in one minute. Every four (4) hours, the fan is started and air circulated for thirty (30) minutes. During this time the air temperature is sampled and entered into memory. The cooling cycle is started and continues until the temperature is lowered 2 ° F. The compressor is allowed a maximum of one hour running time to reach the desired temperature. Four (4) hours after the temperature is satisfied or the compressor times out, the cycle is repeated. During the humidity cycle the Operating LED is lit while the compressor is running.



FAN MODES

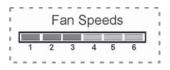
#### Automatic Fan Mode

FX-1 has six automatic fan speeds available. Speed six is high, three is medium and one is low or the slowest speed. Automatic fan mode allows the FX-1 to determine the required fan speed based on room temperature. The closer the room temperature is to the set point, the slower the fan will run. This permits a balance between the most efficient temperature control and slower, quieter fan speeds. Automatic fan operation is the **factory default**, however, manual fan speed control is available.



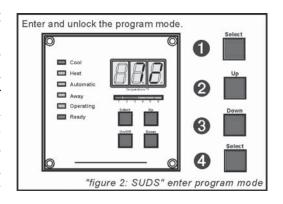
#### Manual Fan Mode

Program parameter one [1] is used to select one of the six (6) manual fan speeds available. Six (6) is the fastest and one (1) represents the slowest fan speed. Manual fan mode allows the user to select and maintain the desired fan speed manually. When a manual fan speed has been selected, the fan speed bar graph will indicate the speed selected by the number of LED's lit. Select speed 3, for example, and the first 3 LEDs in the fan bar graph will turn on. Manual Fan Mode is sometimes preferred when room temperature is constantly changing due to varying heat loads.



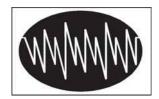
# Program Mode Overview

The program mode is used to adjust the systems operating parameters to suit the particular needs of individual users. The program mode is also used to tailor the air-conditioning system for the most efficient operation within an installation. Installation variables such as, ducting, sensor location and system layout effect the perceived operation of the overall system. The program mode allows the system to operate as efficiently as possible under all conditions. **FX-1** is shipped with factory default settings which are stored in permanent memory and can be recalled at any time.



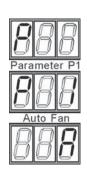
#### Warning

Severe electrical disturbances can sometimes upset the FX-1 operating sequences. Operator confusion related to program parameters can also cause, what seem to be, operational problems. Whenever there is any doubt as to the proper operation of the controller, Factory Default Parameters should be Re-initialized.



# ENTERING PROGRAM MODE

The program mode can **only** be entered from the **off mode**. From the off mode and in the following order, press the **Select**, **Up**, **Down** and the **Select** buttons. These buttons have to be pressed and released in the order given. The letter "P" appears in the display. The buttons have to be pressed in the sequence described. Remember "**SUDS**"... It's the key to enter and unlock the program mode. The characters "P" then "P 1" followed by the parameter setting, appear in the display. The FX-1 control is now in the program mode. Exit the program mode, to the **off mode**, by pressing and releasing the **power** button.



**NOTE:** The control will exit the program mode and return to the **off mode** if no programming is attempted for one (1) minute.

# Restore Memorized Default Settings

**IMPORTANT!** The memorized default settings can be **restored** by entering the program mode and setting P-17 to **rSt**. Exit the program mode and the software version number appears in the display. The **memorized default settings** are restored and the FX-1 control returns to the **off mode**. The software version number is always displayed when you exit the program mode.



Increment from one **program parameter** to the next by pressing the **select button** while in the **program mode**. Press and release the select button to advance to the desired parameter. Use the **up** and **down buttons** to change the program parameter values. The **programmable parameters** range from P-1 through P-17.

#### Up and Down Buttons

The **up** and **down buttons** are used to select the data or set the desired limits for the parameter being programmed. This method is followed throughout the program mode, however, special instructions are included for individual functions as require them.

#### Exiting the Program Mode

There are two methods to exit the program mode. Press the power button and the **FX-1** control will return to the **off mode**. Not pressing any buttons or attempting any program changes for sixty (60) seconds will allow the control to exit the **program mode** to the **off mode**. Any programming changes that were made while in the program mode will be memorized and put into operation when the program mode is exited and the control is returned to the on mode.

#### Software Identification

The software version of the control is identified for one (1) second prior to the exit from the program mode. The software identification number, i.e. ("A10") will appear in the display for one second, then the control will return to the off mode.

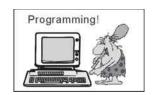


Should there be any reason to contact Micro Air Corporation about the system or programming the FX-1 be sure to have the software identification number and serial number of the system available.

**PROGRAMMING** 

# P-1: Fan Speed Automatic or Manual

The program values allowed are A, followed by one (1) through six (6). Select "A" (factory default setting) for automatic fan speeds and the fan will operate in conjunction with room temperature. The further the room temperature is from set point, the faster the fan will run in the cooling mode. The fan speed will gradually decrease as the set point is approached and the fan will run at low speed (1) when the set point is satisfied. Select any one of six (6) manual fan speeds available, for example, select three (3) and the fan will operate at medium speed under all temperature conditions. When a manual fan speed is selected the fan will always operate at the speed selected and will not vary with room temperature.



# Programmable Parameters

There are seventeen (17) programmable parameters with their Factory Default Settings listed in this section. The table below indicates what these parameters are, along with the permitted values and the original Factory Default Settings.

| P rogram<br>Number | Description   | Default   | Range  |
|--------------------|---|---|--|
| P-1                | Fan Speed Operation Auto or Manual  | A = Automatic   | A = Auto<br>1 thru 6 Manual Fan Speeds   |
| P-2                | High Fan Speed Limit (arbitrary units)  | 85  | 65 - 95  |
| P-3                | Low Fan Speed Limit (arbitrary units)   | 55  | 30 - 64  |
| P-4                | Compressor Staging Time Delay   | 15  | 5 - 135 seconds  |
| P-5                | Temperature Sensor Calibration  | 0   | Ambient ± 10° F  |
| P-6                | Failsafe Modes and Mnemonic High Freon Pressure HPF Low Freon Pressurer LPF Low AC Line Voltage LAC | 3 = 4 Failures With<br>90 Second Restart<br>Delay. Manual Reset<br>is Required. | Off 1 = Continuous No Display 2 = Continuous W / Display 3 = 4 Failures Reset Required |
| P-7                | Low AC Voltage Cut-Off  | 85 VAC (115vac)<br>185VAC (220vac)  | Off - 75 to 120 (115 vac units)<br>Off - 175 to 220 (220 vac units)                    |
| P-8                | De-Icing Cycle  | 0   | O = Off<br>1 to 3 Minutes  |
| P-9                | Pump Sentry Protects Pump and Compressor From Loss of Sea Water.                                    | OFF   | OFF<br>On = Select 100°F to150°F   |
| P-10               | Display Brightness Control  | 13 = Maximum  | 4 = Low<br>13 = Maximum  |
| P-11               | Display ° Fahrenheit or ° Celsius   | °F  | °F = Fahrenheit Displayed °C = Celsius Displayed                                       |
| P-12               | Cycle Pump With Compressor or Continuous Pump   | OFF = Cycle With<br>Compressor  | OFF = Cycle with Compressor<br>On = Continuous Pump                                    |
| P-13               | Reverse Fan Speeds During Heating Mode  | rEF = Reversed  | nor = Normal Fan Operation<br>rEF = Reversed Fan In Heating                            |
| P-14               | Continous Fan or Cycle Fan with Compressor  | con = Continuous<br>Fan Operation   | CYC = Cycle Fan With Comp.<br>con = Continuous Fan Operation                           |
| P-15               | Reverse Cycle Heating or Electric Heat  | nor = Reverse Cycle<br>Heating  | nor = Reverse Cycle Heating<br>ELE = Electric Heater Installed                         |
| P-16               | Fan motor type selection Shaded pole or split capacitor.  | SP = Shaded Pole  | SP = Shaded Pole Fan Motor<br>SC = Split Cap. Fan Motor                                |
| P-17               | Reset Memorized Programming Defaults  | nor = Normal  | rSt = Reset Defaults   |

Should any programming problems or confusion occur, reset the Memorized Default Settings by entering the program mode and setting P-17 to rSt.

#### P-2: High Fan Limit

The upper fan speed limit can be tailored to suit various motors and operating conditions. The **high fan limit** is adjusted with the system installed and operational. The range of values are 56 through 85 and represent arbitrary units. Setting a higher number, results in a higher fan speed, setting lower numbers, lowers the high fan speed limit. Use the up and down buttons to select the desired high fan speed limit. The factory default setting is eighty-five (85).

#### P-3: Low Fan Limit

The **low fan limit** determines the lowest output allowed for the low fan speed. The range of values for the low fan speeds are 30 through 55, in arbitrary units. Use the up and down buttons to select the desired low fan speed limit. Setting a higher number, results in a higher fan speed, setting lower numbers, lowers the low fan speed limit. The factory default setting is 45.

IMPORTANT! Once the high and low fan speed limits are set, the unit will automatically readjust the remaining fan speeds to produce six (6) equally spaced in both the automatic and manual fan speeds modes.

#### P-4: Compressor Staging Time Delay

The **compressor staging delay** is provided for installations where more than one system is being operated from the same power source. Setting the staging delays at different intervals allows only one compressor to start at a time. The units should be staged at least five (5) seconds apart. The minimum delay is five (5) seconds and the maximum is one hundred thirty-five (135) seconds. The factory default setting is 15 seconds.

# P-5: Temperature Calibration

Use this feature to calibrate the air sensor within a range of  $\pm$  ten (10) °F. Enter the program mode and the ambient temperature appears in the display. Use the up and down keys to select the desired offset. The temperature in the display will increase or decrease according to the offset programmed. The factory default setting is zero.

# P-6: Fail-safe Level

The system can be configured for one of four fail-safe levels. Selecting **OFF** turns off all fail-safe protection and mnemonic display codes. Level one (1) shuts down the system, allows the system to restart after a 90 second delay and displays no failure code. Level two (2) shuts down the system allows continual restarts after the 90 second delay and displays the appropriate mnemonic failure code. Level three (3) operates the same as level two with the addition of a system shutdown after four (4) consecutive failures... Manual reset is required to restart the system.

# P-7: Low AC Voltage Cut-Off

FX-1 can be programmed to protect the system against sustained low AC line voltage conditions. The compressor will be shut down and "LAC" flashed in the display if the line voltage goes below the programmed value for more than ten (10) minutes. Programmable values are 75 VAC to 120 VAC for 120 volt units and 175 VAC to 220 VAC for 220 volt systems. The factory default is 85 VAC for 120 volt units and 185 VAC for 220 volt systems. **NOTE**: Low Voltage Protection can be turned off by programming **Off** instead of selecting a voltage value.

#### P-8: De-Icing Cycle

FX-1 is equipped with a De-Icing Cycle to prevent ice build up on the evaporator coil during extended periods of cooling operation. Installation variables such as grille sizes, length of ducting, insulation R factors and ambient temperatures determine the cooling run time required to achieve set point. Customer usage may substantially increase run times by operating the system with the hatches and doors open. Programming unrealistic set point [55°F] and leaving the salon door open will usually cause the evaporator to ice up on warm muggy days.

De-Icing is accomplished by switching the reversing valve into the Heat Mode while the system is cooling. The valve will remain energized for the programmed cycle time. The cycle is programmable from OFF through a period of 3 minutes. The factory default setting is zero [ Off ].

# P-9: Optional Pump Sentry

FX-1 can be equipped with an optional temperature sensor that is used to monitor the condenser coil temperature. The sensor is plugged into the outside air sensor jack and parameter P-9 programmed for a temperature between 100 and 150 °F depending on sea water temperature and the system type. When the coil temperature rises above the programmed value the pump and compressor are shut down and "PPP" is flashed in the display. The factory default is Off, no pump sentry installed.

# P-10: Display Brightness Control

The display brightness can be adjusted to suit ambient cabin lighting conditions. The allowed settings are four (4) to thirteen (13), with four (4) being the dimmest and thirteen (13) the brightest. Typically a dark cabin will require a setting of four or five. A very bright cabin will require a setting of twelve or thirteen. The factory default setting is thirteen (13).

#### P-11: Fahrenheit or Celsius Selection

The unit can be programmed to display either Fahrenheit or Celsius. Programming °F selects degrees Fahrenheit and programming °C displays degrees Celsius. The factory default setting is °F, Fahrenheit. When degrees Celsius (°C) is selected the readings are displayed in tenths, i.e. 22.2 °.

# P-12: Cycle Pump With Compressor

To increase pump life and conserve electricity the pump can be programmed to cycle on and off with the compressor. The pump can also be programmed to operate continuously whenever the system is on. To program the pump for continuous operation turn P-12 On. The factory default is Off, which cycles the pump with the compressor.

# P-13: Reverse Automatic Fan Speeds During Heating

The automatic fan speeds can be reversed during the heating mode to improve heat output in cooler climates. The fan speed is decreased as the temperature spread increases. The fan will speed up as the set point is approached. Lowering the fan speed when the cabin is cold increases head pressure and raises the supply air temperature. Increasing the fan speed as the set point is approached also reduces unnecessary high pressure faults. The fan switches to low speed when the set point is satisfied and the compressor cycles off. The fan can be programmed to operate the same as in cooling by programming P-13 **nor** which represents normal fan operation during reverse cycle heating. The factory default is **rEF**, which reverses the automatic fan speeds during heating.

#### P-14: Cycle Fan with Compressor

The fan can be programmed to run continuously when the system is on or can be allowed to cycle with the compressor. When cycled with the compressor, the fan will operate only when heating or cooling is called for. To cycle the fan with the compressor select **CYC** which stands for cycle the fan with the compressor. To operate the fan continuously select **con** which represents continuous fan operation. The factory default is **[con]** continuous fan operation when the system is on.

# P-15: Reverse Cycle or Electric Heat

Units not equipped with reverse cycle heat may have electric heater added. Electric heat requires the compressor be turned off when heating is called for. The reversing valve output is used to control the optional electric heating element contactor. The valve output relay can only carry 6 amps, therefore, a heavy duty contactor must be installed to carry the heater current. Program parameter **ELE** for the electric heat option. The factory default is **nor** which is normal reverse cycle heating.

#### P-16: Fan Motor Selection

There are two basic fan motor types, shaded pole and split capacitor. Each motor reacts differently to speed control and each motor requires different timing for optimum fan speed control. The default setting is "SP" which selects shaded pole motor type, however, "SC" should be selected if a split capacitor type of fan motor is used in the system. Most direct expansion systems are supplied with shaded pole type fan motors. The factory default is "SP" shaded pole motor type.

#### P-17: Reset Memorized Defaults

The default programming parameters can be reset by entering the program mode and selecting **rSt**. This will restore the programmable parameters to the values selected when the system was shipped. The program parameters listed on page 10 may be altered by Micro Air, the installing dealer or the end user. Once **New** defaults are entered ( see page 5, dual button functions) and memorized the **New** defaults will be reset. The original factory programmable parameters as listed on page 10 will have to be restored manually.

# Why Memorize New Defaults?

Once the desired programming changes have been made and the system tests satisfactorily, your work can be saved as the **new factory defaults**. Your new defaults are initiated by **simultaneously** pressing and releasing the **up** and **down buttons** prior to exiting the **program mode**. New defaults can be initialized at any time by entering the program mode and following the above instructions. Once **new defaults** have been initialized the control will revert back to the new defaults whenever factory defaults are restored as described on pages 8 of this manual.

# FAIL-SAFE AND FAULT HANDLING CODES

When a fault is detected FX-1 will display one of the following Mnemonic fault codes:

**HPF...** indicates high Freon pressure. 15 Second Delay... Ignored in Heat Mode.

**LPF...** Indicates low Freon pressure. There is a ten minute charge time delay.

LAC... Indicates low AC line power

**AAA**... Indicates failed air sensor. Unit will not run until repaired.

**PPP...** Indicates the sea water pump has failed.

#### Fail-Safe

There are four levels of fail-safe protection including the fail-safe **off mode**. Level one monitors the sensors, takes appropriate action and allows continuous restarts after a 90 second delay... **Does not display the fault code**. Level two works the same as level one, however, the appropriate fault code mnemonic is displayed during the time-out between restarts. Level three is identical to level two with the inclusion of a four successive failures lockout routine. After four consecutive failures the system is shut down and a manual reset is required.

#### Lockout

**Lockout** occurs if P-6 is programmed for level 3 and four consecutive faults are detected within a heating or cooling cycle. Lockout causes the system to shut down and flash the mnemonic fault code. **Lockout** can only be cleared by turning the unit **off**, then **on** using the **power button**.

#### Fault Display

When a fault occurs the appropriate mnemonic code is flashed in the display. The flashing mnemonic can be removed from the display by <u>pressing and releasing</u> the **power button** to reset the control. Resetting the control does **not** solve the problem that caused the fault!

| Failsafe<br>Level | Action   | Description of Action Taken   |
|-------------------|--|---|
| OFF               | All Protection Turned Off  | FAILSAFE PROTECTION LEVELS TURNED OFF: Air Sensor Fault: Heating/Cooling Immediately Suspended; Normal Operation Not Resumed Until Fault is Cleared. Air Sensor Fault Code "Flashing Display" NO OTHER FAILSAFE PROTECTION PROVIDED.                            |
| 1                 | No Mnemonic Fault<br>Code Displayed<br>Continuous 90 Sec.<br>Re-Starts Allowed!                    | MINIMUM PROTECTION LEVEL: All Actions Taken in Failsafe Protection Level "0" Plus: In Addition, Continous 90 Second Compressor Restarts Allowed. FAULT Mnemonic CODE NOT DISPLAYED NO OTHER FAILSAFE PROTECTION PROVIDED.                                       |
| 2                 | Display Fault & Shut<br>Down Compressor<br>With Continuous 90<br>Second Delay<br>Between Restarts. | INTERMEDIATE PROTECTION LEVEL: All Actions Taken in Failsafe Protection Level "0" & Level "1" Plus: In Addition, The FAULT MNEMONIC CODE Message Will Be Displayed With Continous 90 Second Compressor Restarts Allowed. NO OTHER FAILSAFE PROTECTION PROVIDED. |
| 3                 | Display fault & require manual reset after 4 failures.   | MAXIMUM PROTECTION LEVEL:<br>FAULT CODE MESSAGES ARE DISPLAYED and The Appropriate<br>Action is Taken According to The Problem Encountered. After 4<br>Consecutive Failures Manual Reset is Required.   |

# AUTOMATED FACTORY-SELF TEST PROGRAM

# Self-Test Mode

The **FX-1** software contains a self-test program to facilitate factory testing of the entire air-conditioning system. Once the **self-test mode** is activated, the test cycle will continue until the AC power is interrupted or the **on/off button** is pressed once which returns the system to the off mode.

Activate the self-test by pressing and holding the **on/off button** while turning on the AC power. Be sure to continue to hold the button until the **power on reset** is completed... FX-1 is now in the self-test mode.

Once activated the self-test software will continuously execute the following procedure:

- 1 Turn on in the **heat mode** and supply heating for ten (10) minutes.
- 2 Stop heating and run the **fan only** for five (5) minutes.
- 3 Switch to **cooling** and continue cooling for ten (10) minutes.
- 4 Stop cooling and run the **fan only** for five (5) minutes.
- 5 Return to step one (1) and continue until interrupted.

The test mode will continue until the power is interrupted or the test is halted by pressing the **on/off button** once.

|   | Specifications    |
|---|-------------------|
| SET POINT OPERATING RANGE                     | 55 ° F to 85 ° F  |
| Ambient Temperature Operating Range Displayed |                   |
| Sensor Accuracy                               |                   |
| Low Voltage Limit 115 volt units              |                   |
| Low Voltage Limit 220 volt units              |                   |
| Low Voltage Processor Reset                   |                   |
| Line Voltage                                  |                   |
| Frequency                                     |                   |
| FAN OUTPUT                                    |                   |
| FAN OUTPUT                                    |                   |
| Valve or Heater Output                        |                   |
| VALVE OR HEATER OUTPUT                        |                   |
| PUMP OUTPUT                                   |                   |
| PUMP OUTPUT                                   |                   |
| Compressor Output                             |                   |
| Compressor Output                             |                   |
| MINIMUM OPERATING TEMPERATURE                 |                   |
| MAXIMUM AMBIENT OPERATING TEMPERATURE         |                   |
| MAXIMUM RH CONDITIONS                         |                   |
| Power Consumption                             |                   |
| Power Consumption                             | LESS THAN 5 WATTS |

|                              | DIMENSIONS   |
|------------------------------|--|
|                              | 3.75" X 3.75"<br>3.150" X 3.150"   |
|                              | Cable Lengths  |
| CENTRAL SYSTEM DISPLAY CABLE |  |
|                              | System Inputs  |
| 1                            | AMBIENT FACE PLATE AIR TEMPERATURE SENSOR HIGH FREON PRESSURE LOW FREON PRESSURE OPTIONAL ALTERNATE INSIDE AIR SENSOR OPTIONAL OUTSIDE AIR TEMPERATURE SENSOR OPTIONAL PUMP SENTRY CONDENSER COIL SENSOR |

**NOTES:** Custom cable lengths available on special request in 5 foot increments. Maximum length of display cable is fifty (50) feet. Sensor cable lengths should be limited to 50 feet. The **outside air sensor**, **alternate air sensor** and **condenser coil sensor** are optional items and are **not** included with the standard control package.

When installing the optional Pump Sensor [Pump Sentry] and the Alternate Air Sensor No Outside Air Sensor is available.

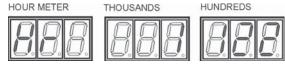
In order to continually improve and advance the FX-1 Control, Micro Air, Inc. reserves the right to change this product's basic operation, specifications and design criteria without prior notice.

#### Hour Meter

Total compressor cycle time is saved in EEPROM every 6 minutes of continuous compressor running time. Cycles less than 6 minutes will be discarded to conserve memory and allow the most flexible hour-meter possible.

To view the hour meter turn off the power at the AC breaker and hold the down button depressed. While depressing the **down button**, restore AC power. After the **Power-On** reset routine is complete, the following will appear in the display:

- 1. The hour meter mnemonic [Hr] is displayed for one [1] second.
- 2. The display blanks out for one second and then displays the Thousands units for three [3] seconds.



- 3. The display blanks out for one [1] second and then displays the Hundreds units for three [3] seconds.
- 4. The unit returns to the last operating state before power was removed.

The example shown is displaying eleven-hundred twenty-two [1,122] hours.

Maximum recorded time is 10,000 hours. The hour meter stops at maximum (10,000 hrs) and can only be reset by Micro Air Corporation.

# Service History

FX-1 will record and remember the last eight (8) service problems or service faults detected. Each time a fault is detected, a one hour timer is started. During that hour the same recurring fault will not be recorded. Should a different fault be detected during that hour, it will be entered into the service history log.

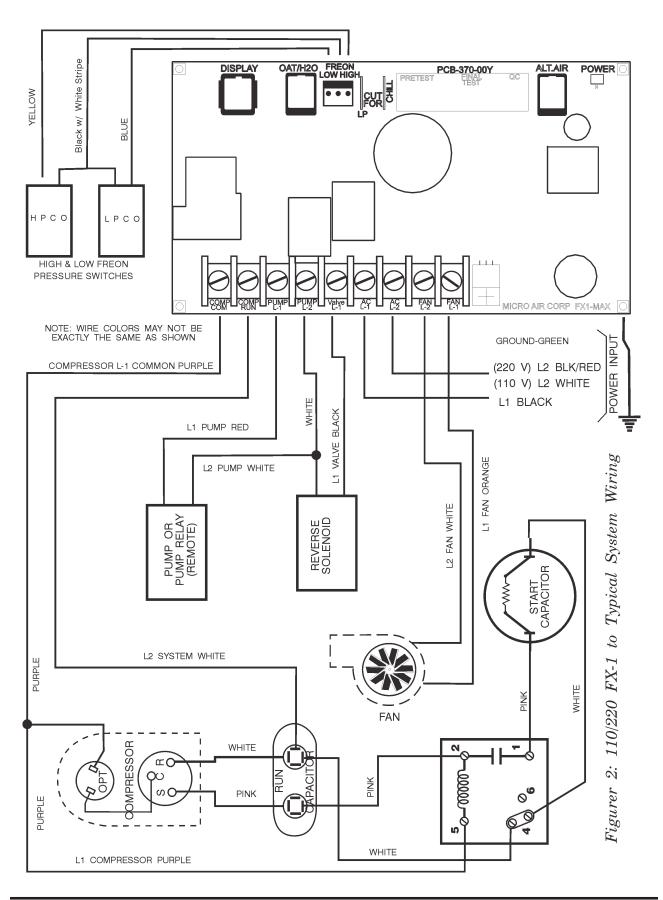
The following events are entered into the service history log:

- 1. High Freon Pressure
- 2. Low Freon Pressure
- 3. Air Sensor Fault
- 4. Low AC Voltage
- 5. Pump or Loss of Sea Water Fault

To view the service log turn off the AC power and depress the **select button**. With the **select button** depressed turn on the AC power. Once **Power-On** reset is completed, the display will flash the most recent mnemonic for the fault detected, followed by the event number. To view the other events detected press either the **up** or **down buttons**.

To exit the service history log press the **power** or the **select button** or wait 30 seconds without pressing any buttons.

The service log can be cleared by simultaneously pressing the power and down buttons while you are viewing the service log mode.



Optional Sensor Locations and Cable Connections

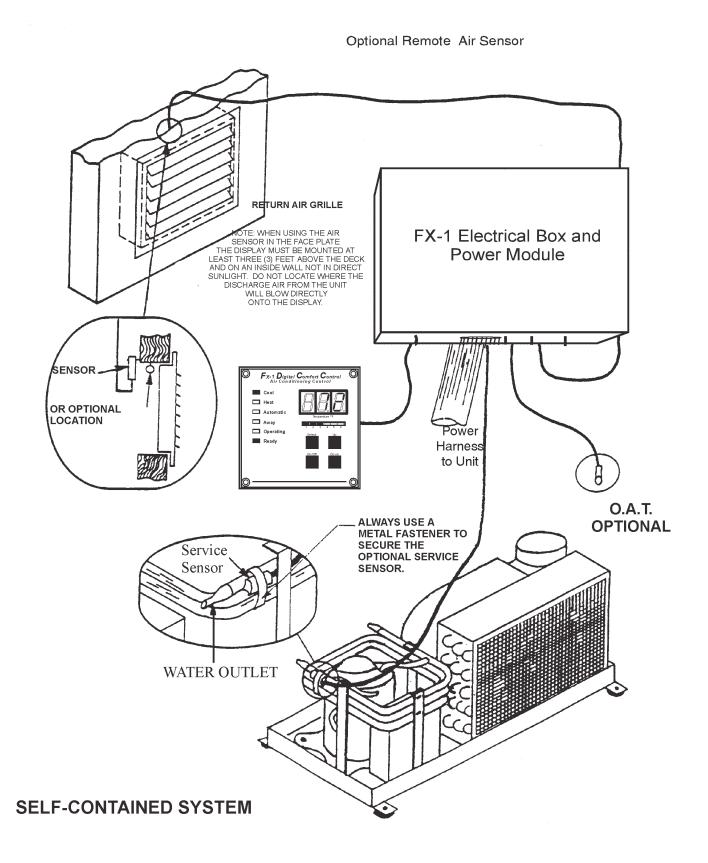


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