



SDM-CD16AC

16-Channel AC/DC Relay Controller



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1. Introduction



FIGURE 1-1. SDM-CD16AC face panel

The SDM-CD16AC has 16 AC/DC relay control ports (see [FIGURE 1-1](#) (p. 1)). Each relay port can be controlled by a data logger or controlled manually with a manual override toggle switch.

The toggle switch has three positions: **ON** and **OFF** for manual override, and **AUTO** for data logger control. In the **ON** position, the common (**COM**) and normally open (**NO**) contacts are closed (see [FIGURE 4-1](#) (p. 6)). In the **AUTO** position, the state of the relays are controlled by the data logger control ports.

The SDM-CD16AC is a synchronously addressed data logger peripheral. Three ports on the data logger are used to address the SDM-CD16AC, then clock out the desired state of each of the 16 control ports. Up to 16 SDM-CD16ACs may be addressed, making it possible to control a maximum of 256 ports from the three data logger ports.

Compatible Campbell Scientific data loggers use the CRBasic instruction [SDMCD16AC\(\)](#) to control the SDM-CD16AC.

2. Control specifications

Operating temperature:	–40 to 55 °C
Operating voltage:	12 VDC nominal (11 to 18 VDC)
Current drain at 12 VDC:	6 mA quiescent; 45 mA per active LED (switch on or auto active)
Total cable length:	Cable lengths should be kept as short as possible; 6 m (20 ft) (for many applications); lengths longer than 6 m (20 ft) may be possible for CRBasic data loggers if the SDMSpeed() instruction is used
Toggle switch:	ON/OFF manual override; AUTO for data logger control

RELAY SPECIFICATIONS

Arrangement:	Single pole double throw Break before make
Contact material:	Gold-clad silver
Individual contact rating	
Normally Open rating:	5 A at 30 VDC, 5 A at 125 VAC, 5 A at 250 VAC
Normally Closed rating:	1 A at 30 VDC, 3 A at 125 VAC, 2 A at 250 VAC
Coil voltage:	11 to 18 VDC
Coil resistance:	360 Ohms \pm 10%
Expected life (contact closures):	Mechanical 10^7
Actuation/release time:	Approx. 4 ms
Standards:	Underwriters Laboratories (UL) listed product (E162021) Canadian Underwriters Laboratories (CUL) listed product (5Z21)

3. Power considerations

The SDM-CD16AC power requirements are large compared to most Campbell Scientific products. For most applications, an external power supply (see [FIGURE 3-1](#) (p. 3)) is recommended to power the SDM-CD16AC.

For some applications, it may be convenient to use the data logger supply to power the SDM-CD16AC (see [FIGURE 3-1](#) (p. 3)). For long-term applications, the lead acid power supply available with Campbell Scientific data loggers should be used, allowing the batteries to be float charged. It is not recommended that the data logger alkaline supply be used to power the SDM-CD16AC for long-term applications due to its large power requirements.

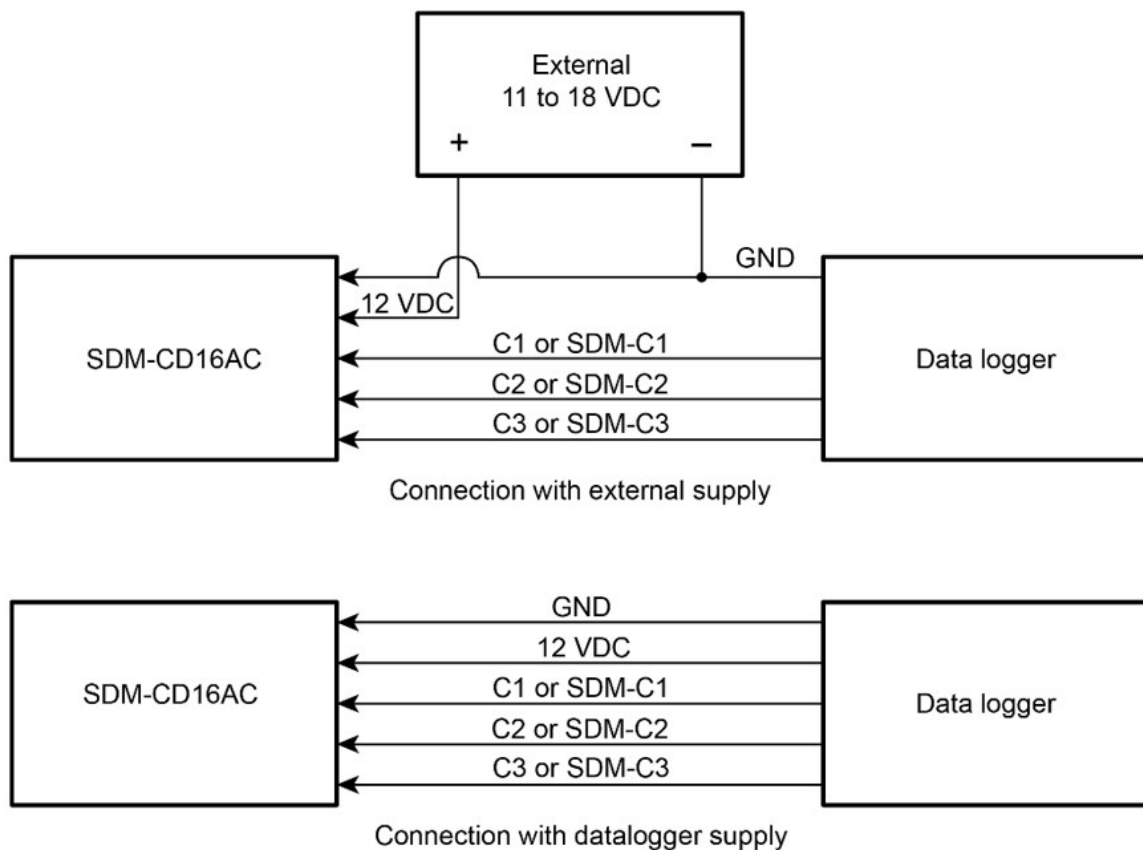


FIGURE 3-1. Connection block diagrams

4. Installation

- The SDM-CD16AC must be installed in an enclosure that provides a pollution degree 2 environment (normally, only nonconductive pollution; however, a temporary conductivity caused by condensation may be expected). All Campbell Scientific enclosures meet this requirement.
- Use copper conductors only.
- Wire Range: 30 – 14 AWG
- Tightening Torque: 5 – 7 in/lb
- Use minimum 60/75 °C wire.
- Input power must be connected to a class 2 supply only. All Campbell Scientific power supplies meet the class 2 supply requirements.

CAUTION:

Cables connecting the data logger and SDM device should be kept as short as possible to minimize the risk of corruption of the signals and damage from induced surges. Where long cable runs (>3 m) are unavoidable and the cables run outside, some extra protection may be required for the SDM control ports. Please contact Campbell Scientific for further advice. When connecting wires to the SDM signal ports, please ensure they are at ground potential before making the connection by touching them to the earth terminal.

For data logger connections, see [Table 4-1](#) (p. 5).

Multiple SDM-CD16ACs may be wired in parallel by connecting the data logger side of one SDM-CD16AC to the next. The CABLE5CBL-L or an equivalent cable is used to connect the module to the data logger. A 0.3 m (1 ft) cable length should be sufficient when both data logger and SDM-CD16AC are housed within an ENC12/14; a 0.6 m (2 ft) length may be required if the data logger and SDM-CD16AC are housed at opposite ends of an EN16/18 enclosure.

CRBasic data loggers should use the [SDMSpeed\(\)](#) instruction if the cable length is longer than 6 m (20 ft).

NOTE:

SDM cables in noisy environments need to be suitably shielded.

4.1 Wiring

4.1.1 SDM-CD16AC power and control connections

Refer to [FIGURE 3-1](#) (p. 3) and [Table 4-1](#) (p. 5) for SDM-CD16AC operating power and control connections to the data logger.

Connection Order	SDM-CD16AC	Data Logger (see notes)	Function
First	12V	12 V on data logger or External supply	Power
Second	G	Gnd	Common ground
	C1	SDM-C1 (CR3000) or C1 (other data loggers)	Data
	C2	SDM-C2 (CR3000) or C2 (other data loggers)	Clock
	C3	SDM-C3 (CR3000) or C3 (other data loggers)	Enable

CAUTION:

The order in which connections are made is critical. Always connect 12 V first, followed by ground, then Control Ports.

NOTE:

The CR6 allows SDM operation through terminals **C1**, **C2**, and **C3** as shown in [Table 4-1](#) (p. 5). In addition, the **U** terminals on the CR6 may be used in the same manner. **U1–U3**, **U5–U8**, and **U9–U11** are usable in the same **Data**, **Clock**, **Enable** order as the **C** terminals.

4.1.2 Controlled device to SDM-CD16AC connections

DANGER:

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[FIGURE 4-1](#) (p. 6) shows how the switches in each channel operate. **NO** means “normally open”, **NC** means “normally closed”. **COM** means “common” to **NO** and **NC**.

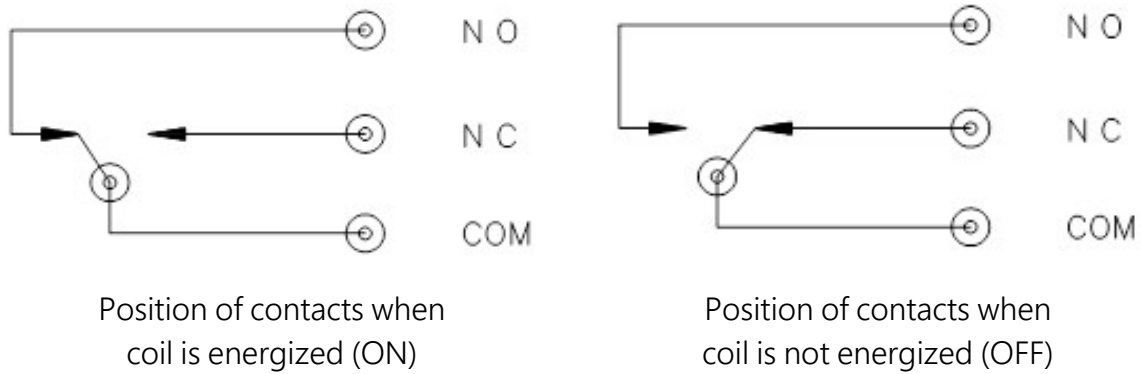


FIGURE 4-1. Switch operation

In most applications, the SDM-CD16AC acts as a switch (controllable break) in one wire of the circuit powering the controlled device. One side of this break may have power (hot). FIGURE 4-2 (p. 6) shows an example.

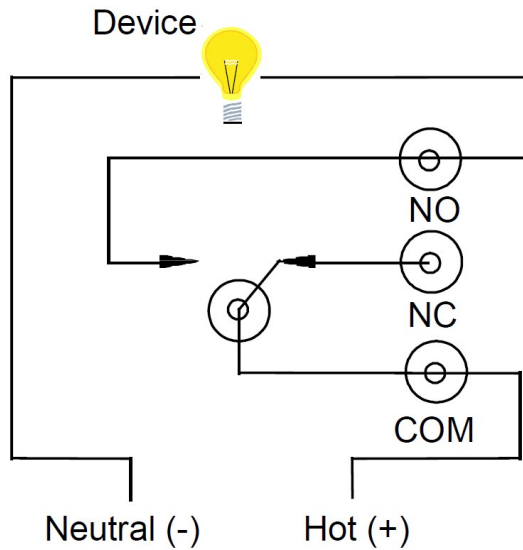


FIGURE 4-2. Typical wiring application

4.1.3 Motor control

The SDM-CD16AC is a UL approved Start/Stop motor controller. In FIGURE 4-3 (p. 7), a typical 5 Amp 115 VAC relay contact circuit shows how to control a three phase motor starter in a Motor Control Center (MCC). Typically, the data logger will automatically command the appropriate relay to energize the motor starter. The relay in the SDM-CD16AC will remain latched until the data logger program commands that the motor be turned off, at which time the relay will open the circuit to the motor starter and the motor will stop.

The SDM-CD16AC can be used to control three phase pump motors, air blowers, and large control valves in the same fashion.

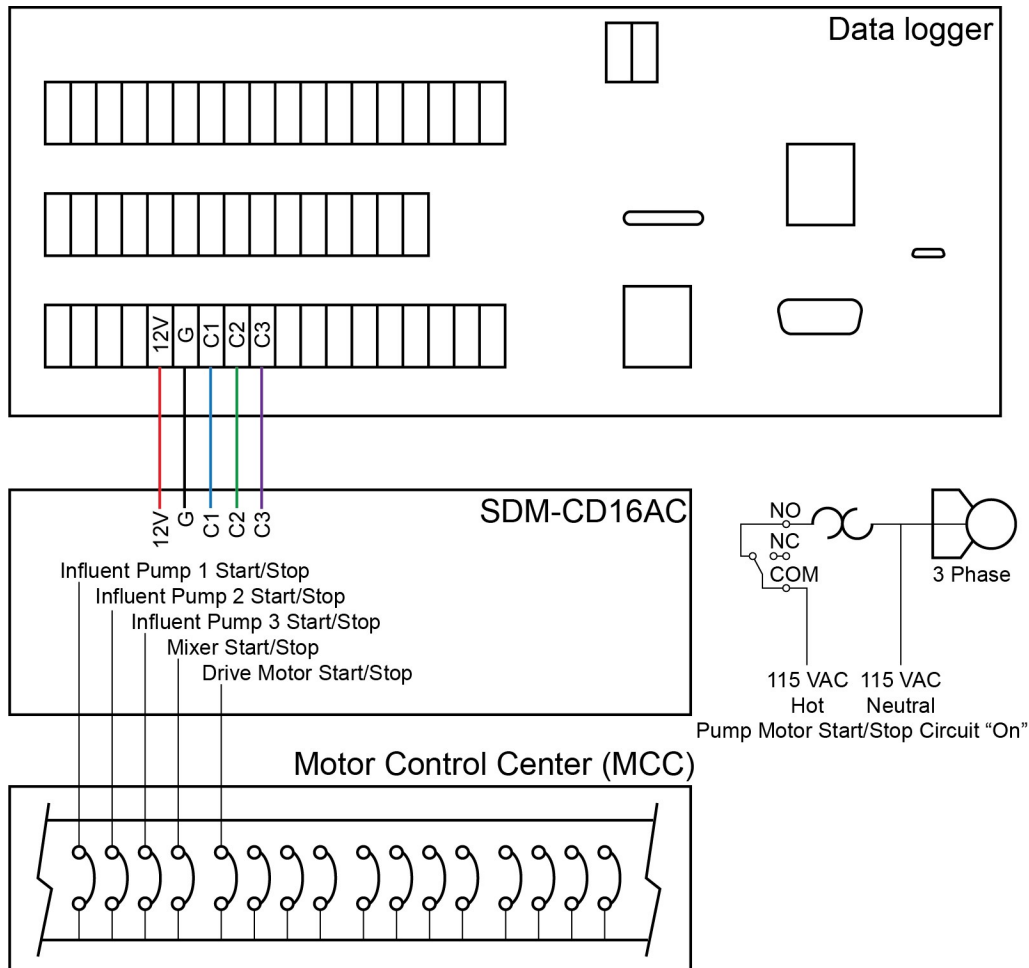


FIGURE 4-3. SDM-CD16AC relay outputs to MCC

5. Address selection switches

Each SDM-CD16AC can have 1 of 16 addresses. Shipped from the factory, the address is set at 00. The following table shows switch position and the corresponding address (see [FIGURE 5-1](#) (p. 8)).

		Switch A			
		0	1	2	3
Switch B	0	00	01	02	03
	1	10	11	12	13
	2	20	21	22	23
	3	30	31	32	33

Base 4 Address Matrix
(00, 01, 02 . . . 32, 33)

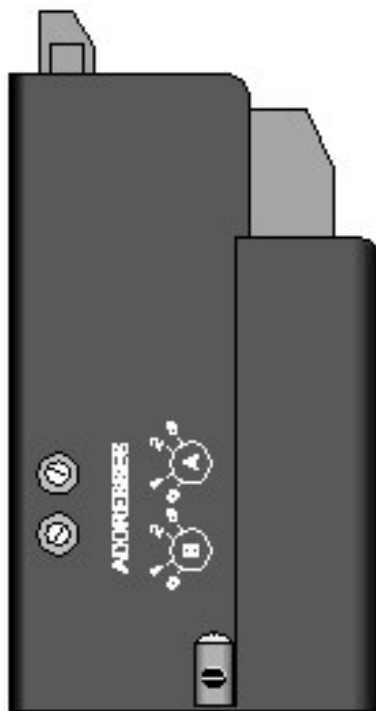


FIGURE 5-1. Addressing

6. Data logger programming

In CRBasic, the [SDMCD16AC\(\)](#) instruction is used to control the SDM-CD16AC. Data loggers that are programmed with CRBasic include the CR6, CR3000, CR1000X, CR800, CR850, and CR1000. The [SDMSpeed\(\)](#) instruction should also be used if the cable length is longer than 20 ft.

6.1 CRBasic programming

6.1.1 `SDMCD16AC()` instruction

Syntax

`SDMCD16AC(Source, Reps, SDMAddress)`

Remarks

A port on an SDM-CD16AC is enabled/disabled (turned on or off) by sending a value to it using the `SDMCD16AC()` instruction. A non-zero value will enable the port; a zero value disables it. The values to be sent to the CD16AC are held in the Source array.

The `SDMCD16AC()` instruction has the following parameters:

Source: The **Source** parameter is an array which holds the values that will be sent to the SDM-CD16AC to enable/disable its ports. An SDM-CD16AC has 16 ports; therefore, the source array must be dimensioned to 16 times the number of repetitions (the number of SDM-CD16AC devices to be controlled). As an example, with the array `CDCtrl(32)`, the value held in `CDCtrl(1)` will be sent to port 1, the value held in `CDCtrl(2)` will be sent to port 2, etc. The value held in `CDCtrl(32)` would be sent to port 16 on the second SDM-CD16AC.

If the **Source** parameter is defined as a Long variable, but it is dimensioned less than 16X Reps, **Source** will act as a binary control for the instruction whose bits 0...15 will specify control ports 1...16, respectively. In this situation, Source (1) will be used for the first Rep; Source (2) will be used for the second Rep, and so on.

Reps: The **Reps** parameter is the number of SDM-CD16AC devices that will be controlled with this instruction.

SDMAddress: The **SDMAddress** parameter is used to define the address of the CD16AC that will be controlled with this instruction. Valid SDM addresses are 0 through 14. Address 15 is reserved for the `SDMTrigger()` instruction. If the **Reps** parameter is greater than 1, the data logger will increment the SDM address for each subsequent device that it communicates with.

6.1.2 `SDMSpeed()` instruction

The `SDMSpeed()` instruction is used to change the speed at which data is clocked to and from attached SDM devices. Slowing down the clock rate may be necessary when many SDM devices are connected to the data logger, or even when a single SDM device is connected over a long cable.

- Many applications do not require the use of `SDMSpeed()`.
- If intermittent communications with several devices connected at once is experienced, or when using long cables, use `SDMSpeed()` to increase the bit period above the default. Try doubling the bit period until a stable link is achieved.
- To maximize communication speeds because of skipped scans, decrease the bit period.

Changing the clock rate is accomplished by changing the bit period of the clock signal. A short bit period equates to a faster clock rate and faster data transfer. A long bit period equates to a slower clock rate and a slower data transfer more suitable for long cable lengths or many connected devices.

The syntax of this instruction is as follows:

```
SDMSpeed(BitPeriod)
```

The **BitPeriod** argument can be a constant or variable integer. If the `SDMSpeed()` instruction is not included in the program, the default bit period for the clock line will be used. If the bit period specified is smaller than the minimum or larger than the maximum, the data logger will default to the minimum or maximum bit period, respectively. Refer to *CRBasic Editor Help* for the default, minimum, and maximum bit period for each data logger.

7. Theory of operation

The SDM-CD16AC is a synchronously addressed peripheral. **C2** and **C3**, driven high by the data logger, initiate a cycle. While holding **C3** high, the data logger drives **C2** as a clock line and **C1** as a serial data line. The data logger shifts out a data bit on **C1** (LSB first) on the falling edge of the **C2** clock. The SDM-CD16AC shifts in the **C1** data bit on the rising edge of the **C2** clock.

The first 8 bits clocked out represent the SDM-CD16AC address. If the address matches the SDM-CD16AC address, the SDM-CD16AC is enabled. If enabled, the next 16 bits are shifted into the SDM-CD16AC, each bit controlling one port, the first of which controls port 1.

When the 16 control bits are clocked in, **C2** is held high while **C3** is pulsed low then high to latch the control bits. The data logger then lowers both **C3** and **C2** to complete the cycle.

8. Program examples

8.1 CRBasic examples

The three program examples discussed in this section are downloadable at www.campbellsci.com/downloads/sdm-cd16ac-example-programs. The programs demonstrate controlling two SDM-CD16ACs, controlling temperature and fans in greenhouses, and using an integer instead of an array to set the SDM-CD16AC control outputs. While the programs are written for the CR1000X, they will work with other Campbell Scientific data loggers with little or no modification.

8.1.1 Controlling two SDM-CD16ACs

In program **SDM-CD16AC_two-sdms.dld**, a counter is used to fill an array called `src()` that will control two SDM-CD16ACs.

8.1.2 Control temperature and fans

In program **SDM-CD16AC_greenhouse-control.dld**, the SDM-CD16AC is used to control the temperature between 23 and 28 °C in each of five greenhouses. In each greenhouse, the SDM-CD16AC controls a heating unit, a refrigerating unit, and an air-mixing fan according to the following conditions.

Heating unit: Activate when temperature < 23.5 °C. Deactivate when temperature > 25.5 °C

Cooling unit: Activate when temperature > 27.5 °C. Deactivate when temperature < 24.5 °C

Mixing fan: Activate whenever the heating or cooling units are activated. Activate for 5 minutes out of every 15 minutes.

The program assumes the temperature measurements have been made, and the average temperature for each greenhouse is computed and residing in the appropriate variable.

Input Location assignments are as follows:

Variable array	Description
Temp(5)	Avg temp, greenhouse 1..5
Heat(5)	Heater control, greenhouse 1..5 SDM-CD16AC Port 1..5
Cool(5)	Cooler control, greenhouse 1..5 SDM-CD16AC Port 6..10

Variable array	Description
Fan(5)	Fan control, greenhouse 1..5 SDM-CD16AC Port 11..15
CD16_Output(16)	Program SDM-CD16AC_greenhouse-control.dld: the actual values used to control the SDM-CD16: <i>CD16_Output(l), l = 1 to 5 are for Heat, l = 6 to 10 are for Cooling, l = 11 to 15 are for Fans</i>
CD16_Output as Long	Program SDM-CD16AC_integer-set-control.dld: the actual value used to control SDMCD the <i>CD16_Output bits set the SDM-CD16AC ports. bits 0 to 4 are for 'Heat, 5 to 9 are for Cooling, 10 to 14 are for Fans</i>

Program **SDM-CD16AC_greenhouse-control.dld** uses an array of values to set the SDM-CD16AC control outputs.

Program **SDM-CD16AC_integer-set-control.dld** has the same function as program **SDM-CD16AC_greenhouse-control.dld**, but uses an integer instead of an array to set the SDM-CD16AC control outputs.

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- Protect from electrostatic discharge (ESD).
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- Use only manufacturer recommended parts, materials, and tools.

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- Prior to performing site or installation work, inform all utility companies and have all underground utilities marked.
- Comply with all electrical codes. Electrical equipment and related grounding devices should be installed by a licensed and qualified electrician.
- Only use power sources approved for use in the country of installation to power Campbell Scientific devices.

Elevated Work and Weather

- Exercise extreme caution when performing elevated work.
- Use appropriate equipment and safety practices.
- During installation and maintenance, keep tower and tripod sites clear of un-trained or non-essential personnel. Take precautions to prevent elevated tools and objects from dropping.
- Do not perform any work in inclement weather, including wind, rain, snow, lightning, etc.

Maintenance

- Periodically (at least yearly) check for wear and damage, including corrosion, stress cracks, frayed cables, loose cable clamps, cable tightness, etc. and take necessary corrective actions.
- Periodically (at least yearly) check electrical ground connections.

Internal Battery

- Be aware of fire, explosion, and severe-burn hazards.
- Misuse or improper installation of the internal lithium battery can cause severe injury.
- Do not recharge, disassemble, heat above 100 °C (212 °F), solder directly to the cell, incinerate, or expose contents to water. Dispose of spent batteries properly.

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