

Lytx ER-SF1 Event Recorder

Installation Instructions J1939 Network

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SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS △

Installation Safety Warnings

Read and follow the instructions and precautions in this guide and all documents referenced in this guide when installing this device. Always refer to the vehicle manufacturer's service manual for proper installation and wiring of any aftermarket devices, including the ER-SF1. Failure to do so may result in property damage and/or personal injury.

WARNING: Park the vehicle on a level surface before beginning any maintenance or installation. Block the wheels to prevent the vehicle from moving. Never work under a vehicle supported only by jacks as jacks can slip and fall over.

⚠ WARNING: All wires that carry electrical current must be fused. Failure to do so can lead to serious personal injury and/or property damage. If any wires or cables containing fuses/fuse boxes need to be cut or otherwise shortened, always be certain to replace such fuses/fuse boxes or install new ones.

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EXPLOSION HAZARD: Do not disconnect equipment unless power has been removed or the area is known to be non-hazardous.

WARNING: Substituting or supplementing components may impair suitability and performance. If you are missing any components contact Lytx U.S. Technical Support Center at 866.910.0403 or email support@lytx.com.

WARNING: **Wear safe eye protection** to prevent serious eye injury when you perform vehicle maintenance or service.

Driver Safety Warnings

WARNING: Seat belt warning: To reduce the potential danger of injuries, the driver and front passenger must always be correctly seated with seat belts correctly fastened when operating the vehicle.



DISCLAIMER: **The Lytx Event Recorder is a driver aid only, not a substitute for a safe, conscientious driver.** This device cannot compensate for a driver who is distracted, inattentive or impaired by fatigue, drugs or alcohol. Whether or not the device is in use, it is always the responsibility of the driver to take appropriate corrective action. The driver should never wait for the device to provide a warning before taking measures to avoid an accident. Failure to do so can result in serious personal injury or death or severe property damage.

Always, it is the driver's responsibility to:

- Use safe driving techniques
- Exercise proper judgment
- Maintain a safe speed and distance between vehicles
- Take measures to avoid an accident
- Comply with all applicable laws and regulations

WARNING: The Lytx Event Recorder may have limited to no functionality in certain conditions, including inclement weather, low visibility, and certain road conditions (including poor lane markings, construction zones, dirt roads, heavy or complicated traffic, and curvy and winding roads.) Always keep the lens and view of the device unobstructed and properly calibrated so as not to inhibit function. Driving in certain conditions or with any interference with the device can result in false, few, or no warnings. The driver must always monitor traffic and surroundings and take measures to avoid an accident; failure to do so can result in serious personal injury or death or severe property damage.

WARNING: Whether or not the Lytx Event Recorder is functioning, it is the driver's responsibility to maintain vehicle control; failure to do so can result in serious personal injury or death or severe property damage. If the device is not functioning properly at any time, the driver should contact their supervisor to have the device inspected immediately to correct the issue.

Adherence to Applicable Local, State and Federal Laws

WARNING: Some jurisdictions have adopted, or may in the future adopt, laws that prohibit objects from being mounted on a vehicle's windshield or other locations in a vehicle. You are responsible for complying with such laws, and Lytx, Inc. does not accept responsibility for your failure to do so.



USA Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Notice

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Caution: Changes or modifications to this product not expressly approved by Lytx, Inc. could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

It is recommended that the antenna must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or radio transmitter. During operation, the transmitter must be separated at least 20cm (8 inches) from any human contact.

Canada – Industry Canada Notice

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Cet appareil est conforme aux normes RSS exemptes de licence d'Industrie Canada. Son utilisation est soumise aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) Cet appareil ne doit pas causer d'interférences nuisibles et (2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence reçue, y compris les interférences susceptibles de provoquer un fonctionnement indésirable.

To prevent radio interference to the licensed service, this device must be operated indoors only and should be kept away from windows to provide maximum shielding.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B est conforme à la norme NMB- 003 du Canada.

Exposure of Humans to RF Fields

The installer of this radio equipment must ensure that the antenna is located or pointed such that it does not emit RF field in excess of Health Canada limits for the general population; consult Safety Code 6, obtainable from Health Canada's website: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/ewh-semt/pubs/radiation/radio_guidelignes_direct/index-eng.php



Australia & New Zealand - Wireless Notice

This product has been found to be compliant with the wireless regulatory requirements for Australia and New Zealand and is designated to have met Compliance Level 2. The compliance mark is designated with the circle and check mark inside is called the "C-Tick" mark.

Europe - R&TTE Directive 99/5/EC, Wireless Notice

This product is designated as a Class 2 type radio device that utilizes non-harmonized frequencies and power levels for Europe. It is marked with the following warning symbol to bring to your attention to the fact it might not be legal to use this product in every country. In most cases this product has already been granted permission for use from individual countries in Europe. If you are unsure, please contact the communications authority for the country to be operated in.

International Restrictions

In addition to this notice, the following countries in Europe have certain restrictions on the operation of 2.4 GHz WLAN type devices:

Country Restriction

France Outdoor use is limited to 10mW E.I.R.P within the frequency band 2454-

2483.5 MHz

Italy If used outside of own premises, general authorization is required

Luxembourg General authorization required for public service

Romania Individual license is required

Declaration of Conformity

English Hereby, Lytx, Inc., declares that this ER-SF1 is in compliance with the essential

requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 1999/5/EC. The

declaration of conformance is below.

Finnish Lytx, Inc. vakuuttaa täten että ER-SF1 tyyppinen laite on direktiivin 1999/5/EY

oleellisten vaatimusten ja sitä koskevien direktiivin muiden ehtojen mukainen.

Dutch Hierbij verklaart Lytx, Inc. dat het toestel DriveCamIII in overeenstemming is

met de essentiële eisen en de andere relevante bepalingen van richtlijn

1999/5/EG



Bij deze verklaart Lytx, Inc. dat deze ER-SF1 voldoet aan de essentiële eisen en aan de overige relevante bepalingen van Richtlijn 1999/5/EC.

French

Par la présente Lytx, Inc. déclare que l'appareil ER-SF1 est conforme aux exigences essentielles et aux autres dispositions pertinentes de la directive 1999/5/CE.

Par la présente, Lytx, Inc. déclare que ce ER-SF1 est conforme aux exigences essentielles et aux autres dispositions de la directive 1999/5/CE qui lui sont applicables.

Swedish

Härmed intygar Lytx, Inc. att denna ER-SF1 står I överensstämmelse med de väsentliga egenskapskrav och övriga relevanta bestämmelser som framgår av direktiv 1999/5/EG.

Danish Undertegnede Lytx, Inc. erklærer herved, at følgende udstyr ER-SF1 overholder de væsentlige krav og øvrige relevante krav i direktiv 1999/5/EF.

German Hiermit erklärt Lytx, Inc., dass sich dieser/diese/dieses ER-SF1 in Übereinstimmung mit den grundlegenden Anforderungen und den anderen relevanten Vorschriften der Richtlinie 1999/5/EG befindet". (BMWi)

Hiermit erklärt Lytx, Inc. die Übereinstimmung des Gerätes ER-SF1 mit den grundlegenden Anforderungen und den anderen relevanten Festlegungen der Richtlinie 1999/5/EG. (Wien)

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Italian Con la presente Lytx, Inc. dichiara che questo ER-SF1 è conforme ai requisiti essenziali ed alle altre disposizioni pertinenti stabilite dalla direttiva 1999/5/CE.

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Portuguese Lytx, Inc. declara que este ER-SF1 está conforme com os requisitos essenciais e outras disposições da Directiva 1999/5/CE.



Suppliers Declaration of Conformance

We, Lytx, Inc., hereby declare that the product listed below, to which this Declaration of Conformity relates, is in conformity with the Standards and other Normative Documents listed below:

Manufacturer's Name & Address:

Lytx, Inc. 9785 Towne Centre Drive San Diego, CA 92121 USA

Declares that the following product:

Product Name: Video Event Recorder

Product Model: ER-SF1

The product specified above carries the marking, by complying with the essential requirements and provisions. Conformity is based upon the following standards:

Manufacturer's Contact:

Lytx, Inc.

9785 Towne Centre Drive San Diego, CA 92121 USA

Phone Number: (858) 430-4000 Fax Number: (858) 430-4001

EMC & Radio:

CFR Title 47 FCC Part 15, Subpart B and C,

Class B

Industry Canada ICES-003 Issue 4 (2004),

Class B

Industry Canada RSS-Gen Issue 1 (2005)

Industry Canada RSS-210 Issue 6 (2005)

DEVICE INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

What's Covered in the Installation Procedures

The following instructions are for the installation of the Lytx ER-SF1 event recorder (ER) with integrated ECM connectivity for ECM data collection. These installation instructions cover the mounting of the bracket and event recorder in the vehicle, electrical connections and cable routing, and testing.

These instructions DO NOT cover the installation of any peripheral equipment.

Installation Warnings

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circuits. Lytx, Inc. disclaims all responsibility for any damages arising from improper installation and maintenance of the ER-SF1.

THIS GUIDE IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR A QUALIFIED TECHNICIAN.

THE DEVICE SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THE VEHICLE'S COMPUTER SYSTEMS. The ER-SF1 device interfaces with the vehicle's computer systems to capture data for safety analysis. However, it should not interfere with any of the vehicle's computer systems. If there is a malfunction of the vehicle's computer systems after installation, contact Lytx U.S. Technical Support Center at 866.910.0403 or email support@lytx.com immediately. Lytx recommends that you do not drive the vehicle until the malfunction is resolved. Lytx, Inc. disclaims all responsibility for any damages arising from improper installation and maintenance of the ER-SF1.

Before You Begin

- 1. **Read and understand all instructions and procedures provided for the vehicle and the ER-SF1.** This guide must be read in conjunction with the vehicle manufacturer's service manual, the Mounting Regulations, all instructions and procedures issued by Lytx, Inc., and any applicable federal, state, provincial and local laws that prohibit mounting devices on vehicle's windshield or other locations in a vehicle.
- 2. **Read and observe all warnings, cautions, and safety notices** in the instructions and procedures. They provide information to avoid serious personal injury, damage to components or both.
- 3. **Follow the vehicle's maintenance, service, installation and diagnostic guidelines** provided by the manufacturer of the vehicle.
- 4. Check for laws that prohibit objects from being mounted on a vehicle's windshield or other locations in a vehicle. You are responsible for complying with such laws, and Lytx, Inc. does not accept responsibility for your failure to do so.
- 5. **Use special tools and safety equipment** to avoid serious personal injury and damage to components.

Additional Support and Product Info

To obtain additional support and product information, contact the Lytx U.S. Technical Support Center at 866.910.0403 or email support@lytx.com.

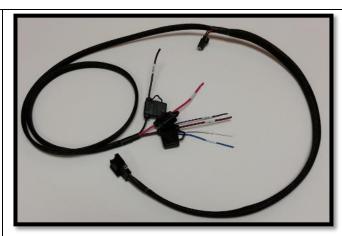
Materials

- ER-SF1 unit
- Windshield mount bracket
- Two T-27 security torx screws
- T-8 security torx screw
- Alcohol wipe

- Standard Power Cable
- Vehicle Interconnect Cable with in-line fuses
- J1939 CAN Coupler



ER-SF1 unit



Vehicle Interconnect Cable with in-line fuses: Red and Black wires = 5-amp fuses Brown wire = 1-amp fuse



Standard Power Cable



J1939 CAN Coupler

If you are missing any materials, contact the Lytx U.S. Technical Support Center at 866.910.0403 or email support@lytx.com to obtain the necessary materials before beginning installation. Supplementing or substituting shipped materials could impair suitability and performance.

Required Tools

In addition to all guides and reference documents that you should read before beginning installation, the following tools are required for installation:

- Wire cutter
- Wire crimper
- Voltmeter
- Vehicle panel removal tool
- Flat-blade screwdriver
- Cable ties

- Phillips screwdriver
- Electric Tape
- Marking pen
- T27 security Torx bit
- T8 security Torx bit
- Micro USB cable

Consult the vehicle's maintenance, service, installation, and diagnostic guidelines provided by the manufacturer of the vehicle for any additional tools needed.



Optional Tools

The following tools are not required for installation but can be helpful:

- Cordless driver
- Add-a-circuits or vehicle specific connectors
- Grommets and looms
- Flashlight

- Paper towels/shop towel
- Utility knife
- Vehicle-specific panel clips
- Spare 18-gauge wire

INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

Installation consists of three sections:

- 1. Mounting of the bracket and event recorder in the vehicle
- 2. Electrical connections and cable routing
- 3. Testing

Mount the Bracket and Event Recorder

 \triangle **CAUTION:** To mount the bracket and ER, the air temperature must be at least 50°F (10°C).

WARNING: Before mounting the bracket and ER, consult the vehicle manufacturer's recommendations and any applicable federal, state, provincial and local laws that prohibit mounting devices on vehicle's windshield or other locations in a vehicle.

Mounting the bracket and ER consists of five main steps:

- 1. Review mounting location guidelines.
- 2. Clean and dry the windshield.
- 3. Mark the mounting location on the windshield.
- 4. Attach the bracket to the windshield.
- 5. Mount the ER to the bracket.



Mounting Location Guidelines

CAUTION: An improperly positioned event recorder can reduce program effectiveness.

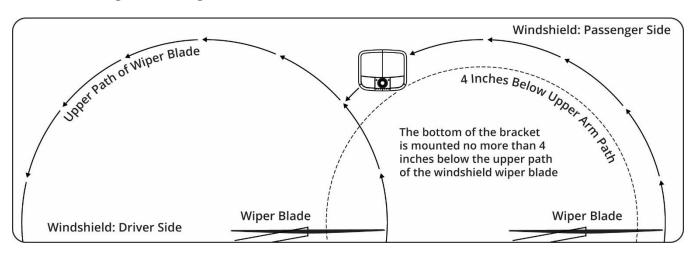
The event recorder needs to be mounted in a location that provides an unobstructed view of the driver and the road in front of the vehicle.

- 1. **Interior-facing Lens View**: Must span from the outside shoulder of the driver to the outside shoulder of a front seat passenger.
- 2. Exterior-facing Lens View
 - a. Must be inside the path of the wiper blades.
 - b. Must capture a clear view of everything in front of the vehicle, beginning as close to the front of the vehicle as possible without cutting off the horizon.

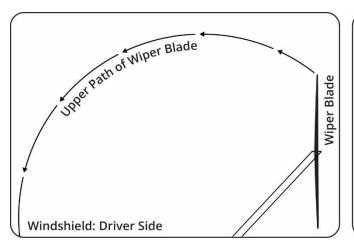
To use the ER device to temporarily gauge the best position, first loosen the Torx screws so the ER can rotate in the bracket. Then hold it up to the windshield.

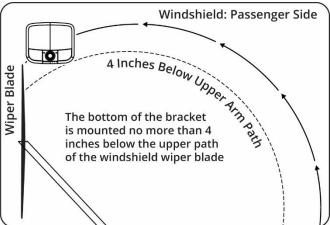
Mounting Location Restrictions and Exemption

The figures below provide Lytx's recommendations for mounting the ER on the vehicle windshield that work within the guidelines set forth by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)*. However, some states have adopted laws that restrict locations where objects can be attached to the vehicle windshield. Always refer to any applicable federal, state, provincial and local laws that concern mounting devices on vehicle's windshield or other locations in a vehicle before choosing a mounting location.







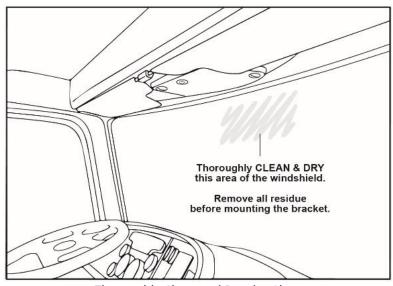


*FMCSA Allowance: Allows the event recorder to be mounted not more than 100 mm (four inches) below the upper edge of the area swept by the windshield wipers **or** not more than 175 mm (7 inches) above the lower edge of the area swept by the windshield wipers, provided that the event recorder is located outside the driver's sight lines to the road and highway signs and signals. *See* 49 C.F.R. § 393.60(e).

Clean and Dry the Windshield

CAUTION: These steps—especially use of the alcohol wipe—are critical to prevent the bracket from falling off later.

- 1. Clean the mounting area on the windshield thoroughly with the alcohol wipe, removing any debris and moisture. This should be the area behind the rear view mirror on the passenger side or the equivalent area if there is no rear view mirror (see below).
- 2. Dry the mounting area thoroughly with a clean, dry cloth.



Thoroughly Clean and Dry the Glass



Mark the Mounting Location on the Glass

CAUTION: Do not peel the backing from the adhesive strips on the bracket in this section.

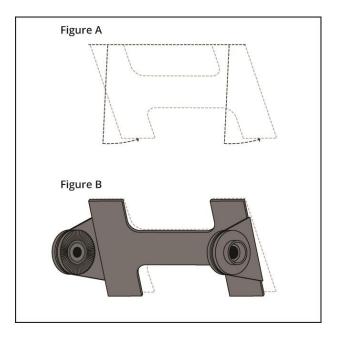
- 1. Following the mounting location guidelines above, hold the assembly in place and trace the outline of the bracket on the windshield with a marker. *Make sure the traced guide marks are level*.
- 2. Remove the event recorder from the mounting bracket.
- 3. Check the fit of the bracket against the windshield. If the windshield is curved, you may gently bend the bracket so it will lie flush against the glass.
- 4. Check again to make sure you've selected the best mounting location.
 - a. Sit in the driver's seat while holding the ER device up. Make sure it doesn't block the driver's view of the road.
 - b. Turn on the wipers and rotate mirrors, sun visors, and other objects near the ER to make sure they cannot block either lens.

Attach the Bracket to the Windshield

 \triangle CAUTION: The adhesive is very sticky. Once applied, it will not easily come off.

 $oldsymbol{\Delta}$ CAUTION: Do not apply excessive pressure as it may cause the windshield to break.

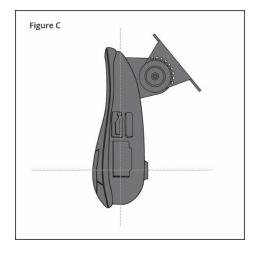
- 1. Remove the backing from the adhesive side of the bracket.
- 2. Carefully attach the bracket to the windshield.
 - a. Place the top edge of the bracket against the windshield, aligned with the marks, and make sure it is level.
 - Press the bracket firmly against the windshield starting at the top and pressing the sides downward. See Figures A and B.
- 3. Check from outside the vehicle for large air bubbles under the bracket. If you find any:
 - a. Apply additional pressure to the bracket.
 - b. Use a small pin to create an escape path for the air.





Mount the Event Recorder in the Bracket

- 1. Place the event recorder in the bracket.
- 2. Adjust the event recorder so it hangs vertically (plumb). See Figure C.
- 3. Secure the event recorder in the bracket using the two Torx screws.





Connect Electrical Wiring

Connecting the electrical wiring consists of these main steps:

- 1. Review the electrical connection overview diagram and wiring suggestions.
- 2. Connect the three basic connections—the red, brown, and black wires on the Vehicle Interconnect Cable.
- 3. Connect to the Vehicle J1939 Network Interface.
- 4. Route the ER cable.

Wiring Safety Warnings

WARNING: Only approved wire connection methods are recommended. Refer to the vehicle manufacturer's service manual to determine if Add-A-Circuit, Posi-Tap, sealing butt connections, or OEM connections to open connection ports are approved. Never use plier tap products such as scotch locks when installing the ER-SF1.

MARNING: Never wire the ER-SF1 in a manner that shares a connection with another aftermarket product in the vehicle. Independent connections should always be used.

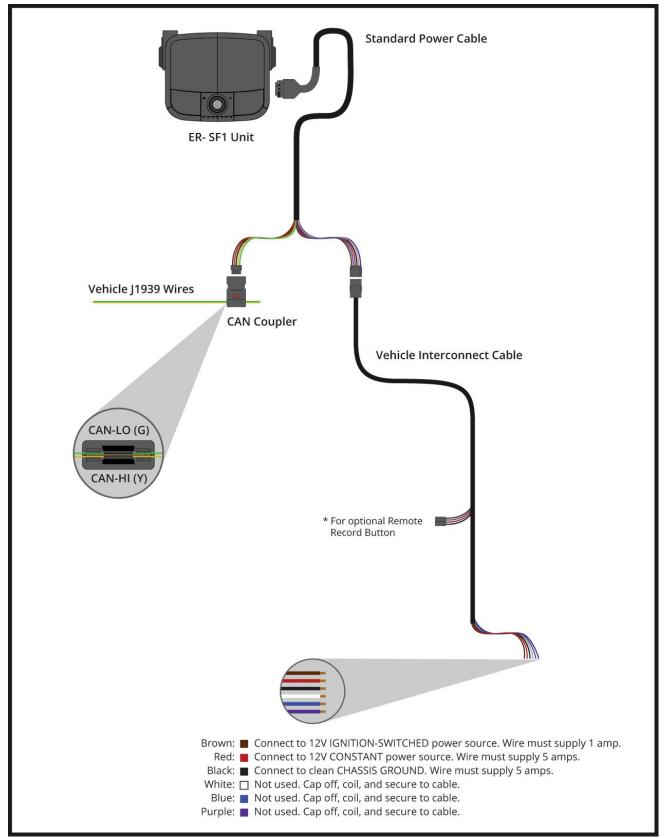
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Make certain that neither the cable nor your installation activities interferes with any airbag-related mechanisms or otherwise risks affecting airbag deployment. Consult the vehicle manufacturer for the location of any airbag sensors and systems and restrictions that may apply.



Electrical Connection Overview Diagram



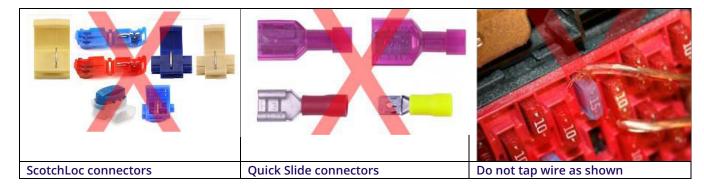


Wiring and Wire Termination Suggestions

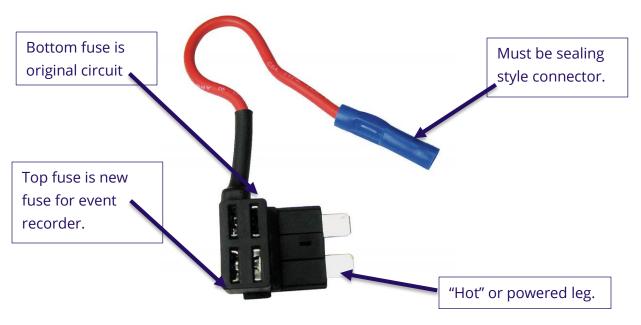
WARNING: Failure to use proper wiring and wire terminations could lead to personal injury or property damage. The following Wire Termination Suggestions should be followed to ensure proper connections.

When installing the event recorder, there are several key rules to produce reliable electrical connections:

- 1. Use ONLY 16- or 18-gauge automotive primary wire to connect to automotive circuits. Specialty wire might be superior when used in its native environment, but not in the automotive field (for example, Teflon wire is intended for high heat conditions, but should never be used for connections of the event recorder in the vehicle).
- 2. For all connection methods, do not leave any exposed wire near the connector.
- 3. Do not use ScotchLoc, quick slide, or non-sealing butt connectors.
- 4. **Posi-Tap connectors**: Posi-Tap wiretap connectors may only be used inside the cab of the vehicle and only for event recorder inputs. These include ignition, turn signals, and brake.
- 5. **Crimp style connectors**: All crimp style connectors must be the sealing type. Verify the crimped connection is secure. Then heat up the connector to melt and seal it.
- 6. **Fuse taps/Add-A-Circuits**: If using a fuse tap (Add-A-Circuit), make sure that the hot leg of the fuse receptacle connects to the leg of the fuse tap farthest from the connection wire. If installed backwards, a fuse tap will compromise the original circuit. Never use a fuse tap on an ECM, ECU, or control module circuit fuse.







Basic Event Recorder Electrical Connections

A minimum of three connections are required for the event recorder to function. These leads are found on the Vehicle Interconnect Cable terminating at the female end of the Molex connector. The red and black leads have 5-amp inline fuses; the brown lead has a 1-amp inline fuse.

Required Connections

- 1. **Red wire**: Provides primary power and must be connected to a continuous power source.
- 2. **Brown wire:** Functions as an ignition-sense, used by the event recorder to perform functions such as activating the IR Illuminator when the vehicle ignition is switched on.
- 3. **Black wire**: Functions as ground.

Connect the RED WIRE to a 12V-24V power source that is ALWAYS ON

CAUTION: THIS IS A FUSED CONNECTION. DO NOT CUT OFF OR REMOVE THE FUSE HOLDER.

The event recorder always remains "on." This requires a 12V or 24V power source that is not controlled by the key nor any other device or switch. Typically, this connection is made just after the fuse box on the battery-side of any vehicle control modules. Use a voltmeter to make sure the circuit provides continuous 12V or 24V power when the key is removed from the ignition and all lights, devices and switches are off.

Ensure Sufficient Current Draw: If you're tapping into an existing vehicle wire, make sure it can handle the additional current draw of the event recorder. A wire that reads 12V on a voltmeter may not necessarily be able to supply enough current to the existing circuit and the event



recorder. The gauge of wire being tapped into provides a good indication. A larger gauge wire is often the best choice.

Connect the BROWN WIRE to a 12V-24V power source that is IGNITION-SWITCHED

CAUTION: THIS IS A FUSED CONNECTION. DO NOT CUT OFF OR REMOVE THE FUSE HOLDER.

CAUTION: The brown wire to a 12V-24V power source that is ignition-switched is important to ensure the event recorder can identify when the ignition is switched on and off and to control the event recorder's Hibernation mode. This connection requires a 12V or 24V power source that is "on" either when the ignition is keyed all the way forward to the ON position and all the way back to the OFF position. Failure to properly connect this fused connection may lead to vehicle battery drain.

Common Mistake for Brown Wire Connections: This connection is often mistakenly made to a modulated circuit—one that comes out of a computer control module running some subsystem in the vehicle. This can give false ignition on/off signals. To avoid this, connect this wire to a circuit that is on the battery side of any modules. Consult the vehicle wiring schematics or a local authorized dealership to obtain this info.

Connect the BLACK WIRE to a Good Solid Vehicle Ground

CAUTION: THIS IS A FUSED CONNECTION. DO NOT CUT OFF OR REMOVE THE FUSE HOLDER.

This connection is usually made via ring terminal to ground lug in the vehicle, supplied by the vehicle manufacturer for aftermarket products. If one is not available, ensure that the connection is solid to a metal portion of the vehicle which is directly grounded to the vehicle frame. Ensure there is no corrosion or paint interfering with this connection.

Instructions for Basic Connections

- 1. Find a suitable location to make electrical connections (usually behind/under the dashboard or power distribution center).
- 2. Connect the red, brown, and black wires from the Vehicle Interconnect Cable leads to the vehicle as shown in the Electrical Connections Overview Diagram above. Be sure to follow the parameters for each wire, detailed above.

Connect to the Vehicle J1939 Network Interface

Connectivity to the vehicle J1939 network is achieved with a coupling device called the CAN Coupler. This device makes use of inductive technology to allow the ER to read the data on the J1939 network without requiring any puncture, cut, or splice into the vehicle cabling.



Refer to the Electrical Connection Overview Diagram above for the following steps.

- 1. Connect the CAN Coupler to the Standard Power Cable.
- 2. Find a suitable location along the vehicle J1939 network backbone to insert the CAN Coupler. The CAN Coupler MUST be installed in the vehicle cab. It cannot be exposed to moisture or inclement weather conditions.
- 3. Untwist approximately 2 inches of the vehicle's J1939 wires, which are always a green and yellow twisted pair.
- 4. Insert the vehicle's J1939 wires into the CAN Coupler with the yellow wire on the CAN-HI (Y) side and the green wire on the CAN-LO (G) side. Ensure that the wires are secured in the tabs provided and properly oriented.
- 5. Place the cap on the CAN Coupler.

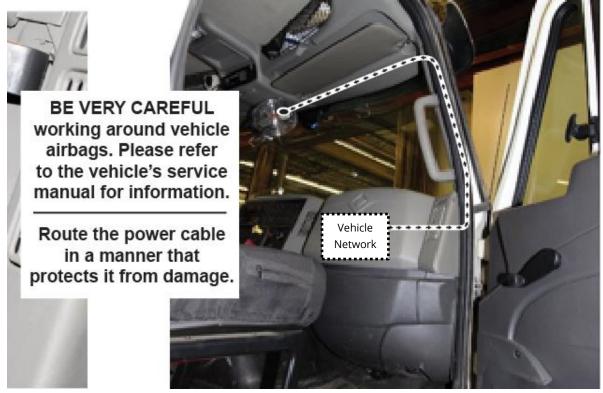
Route the ER Cable

WARNING: WHEN INSTALLING THE CABLE IN A VEHICLE WITH SIDE OR CURTAIN AIRBAGS, BE CERTAIN THAT NEITHER THE CABLE NOR YOUR INSTALLATION ACTIVITIES INTERFERES WITH ANY AIRBAG-RELATED MECHANISMS OR OTHERWISE RISKS AFFECTING AIRBAG DEPLOYMENT.

Note: You may need to remove the window and door trim to route the cable underneath. These typically snap on and off using special clips. In vehicles with side and curtain airbags, the clips are often one-time use and may need to be replaced after removal. Please refer to the vehicle service manual for information.

- 1. Route the end of the ER cable from the adapter to the nearest door pillar. Route the cable behind and underneath the dash until reaching the kick panel.
- 2. Starting from below the dash near the kick panel, route the end of the ER cable up the door pillar underneath the vertical door/window trim to the top of the door pillar.
- 3. Route the ER cable across the top of the windshield under the window trim or headliner to the ER device (see below).





Example Cable Routing in Vehicle

4. Connect the ER connector to the event recorder. Use the T8 security locking screw to lock and secure the connector in place (see below).





ER-SF1 Locking Tab with T8 Security Screw

5. Make sure the cable is clear of any sharp edges, moving parts, and cannot get pinched in the door jam.



6. Make sure the cable is tucked away and secured so that it cannot come loose. We recommend using cable-ties every few inches along the route of the cable to secure it in place.

Run Testing and Complete Installation

Boot Up the ER and Test Event Creation

- 1. Key the ignition to ON and plug the Vehicle Interconnect Cable to the Standard Power Cable.
- 2. Observe the event recorder. The center LED status lights should turn green, then turn off. The LED status lights then light up from left to right twice, indicating the device is booting up. The center LED status light will then go to solid green.



3. Press either blue button on the unit to create a manual event. The LED status lights will light up green one by one from left to right until all are lit (lasts ~10 seconds). Confirm this light pattern.



Test Wire Connections and Settings in the Lytx Installation Tool

- 1. Connect a Windows laptop running the Lytx Installation Tool program to the ER-SF1 with the USB cable.
 - a. **Note**: You may use a USB extension cable up to 3 feet in length.
- 2. Refer to the Lytx Installation Tool Guide for instructions on how to finalize the installation. Ignition and the vehicle J1939 connection (via engine RPM) can be verified via the Lytx Installation Tool.

Complete Installation

The ER-SF1 event recorder is installed and ready to use.



- 1. Finalize all electrical connections. Use cable-ties to bundle and secure all wires.
- 2. Replace any trim pieces on the door pillar and dash that were removed.
- 3. Make sure the cable is routed safely and cannot get pinched in any moving parts.
- 4. Reaffirm you have taken the appropriate safety precautions while working around vehicle airbags.
- 5. Keep the Torx wrench and this guide in a safe place for future use.

Final Checks

After installation of the ER-SF1 but **prior to any operation of the vehicle**, check all vehicle system lights, signals, and any other devices (such as electronic log devices systems or CB radios) to make sure they are working properly. Minimum checks should include the following (consult the vehicle manufacturer's service manual for additional checks that must occur):

- 1. **Constant power**: Ensure the ER is powered when the ignition is off (12V to red wire).
- 2. **Switched power**: Confirm 12V to the brown wire when the ignition is on.
- 3. **Ground**: Ensure the black wire is connected to a solid grounding point in the vehicle with no paint or rust.
- 4. **Event creation**: Turn the vehicle on and press either blue button on the ER. Confirm an event is created by verifying the LED's light up green from left to right, one by one.
- 5. **Check-in**: Hold either blue button on the ER down for ~6 seconds. The center LED on the unit should go out and come back on. Release the button and confirm that the unit has attempted to contact Lytx, Inc. During the check-in process, the LEDs will blink and then turn solid green progressively from left to right.
 - a. If an LED turns red, the check-in has failed and must be attempted again. There will be some instances where check in is not possible due to cellular coverage and the installation is still okay. After check in or failure, the center green LED will come on.
- 6. Start the vehicle, cycle the transmission, and confirm there are no error codes/check engine lights.
- 7. Test the other vehicle components on the power circuit of the ER-SF1 to confirm their functionality, especially if the circuit is shared.
- 8. Verify and diagnose all active faults in the vehicle system, other devices, and the ER-SF1 prior to completing the installation.
- 9. Place the driver safety card and the warning card included with the ER packaging on the driver's seat.
- 10. Place the decal indicating the vehicle is equipped with a recording device on the driver's seat. The customer is responsible for visibly displaying this decal.



TROUBLESHOOTING & MAINTENANCE

Only a properly qualified technician should install and maintain the ER-SF1. Only a properly qualified technician should install and maintain the ER-SF1. Any electrical work should be performed only by an ASE (minimum T6 & L2), MECP or equivalent certified technician with an expertise in installing and troubleshooting advanced vehicle onboard components including multiplexed circuits. Lytx, Inc. disclaims all responsibility for any damages arising from improper installation and maintenance of the ER-SF1.

Refer to the Lytx Maintenance Supplement for periodic maintenance requirements for the ER-SF1.

Contact Technical Support

To obtain additional support and product information, contact the Lytx U.S. Technical Support Center at 866.910.0403 or email support@lytx.com.

Troubleshooting Steps

Problem	Possible Causes and Solutions
The ER-SF1 is not booting	There may be insufficient current on the constant power connection.
properly. The device briefly	Check that connection. Ensure the source wire is capable of supplying 5 amps.
connects to the Lytx Installation	There may be a loose or insufficient chassis ground. Inspect the ground
Tool, then disconnects.	connection to ensure it's tight and it's in a location free of paint or rust.
The device does not connect to	There may be an issue with that specific USB port. Try connecting to a different
the laptop at all.	USB port on the laptop.
	The laptop may not be detecting the device. Open Device Manager on your
	laptop. Verify that "Remote NDIS6 based Device" shows up under "Network
	Adapters".
	The ER-SF1 may not be detecting Ignition from the brown wire. Check the wire for
	damage. Check the wire with a voltmeter for 12V/24V with the ignition on. Check
	the vehicle fuse for that circuit.
The Model and Device Serial	There may be an issue with Windows Firewall. Plug the device in again and verify
Number do not appear in the	that the Lytx Installation Tool is allowed through Windows Firewall.
Lytx Installation Tool.	
The Lytx Connection is not being	There may have been a momentary issue. Try creating a manual event and then
detected in the Lytx Installation	doing a forced check-in.
Tool.	To manually create an event, push either of the blue manual record buttons on
	the ER-SF1. The LED status lights on the ER-SF1 will light up green one-by-one
	from the left to right until all are lit, indicating the event has been created.
	After the event is created, hold one of the manual record buttons for 10 seconds
	to attempt a forced check-in to Lytx. The LED status lights will light up and blink
	one-by-one from the left to right until all are lit, indicating the check-in was successful.
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	The device may be in an area without reception. Bypass this for now by checking
	the "Known Issue Bypass" box. Re-test this connection when the device is in a
	location with better reception.





Problem	Possible Causes and Solutions
Engine RPM is not being	Ensure the vehicle is running. Turn the device off and on either by disconnecting
detected in the Lytx Installation	the power cable or by entering the device's Diagnostic Mode.
Tool.	The wires may be reversed over the CAN Coupler. Ensure that the Yellow wire is
	on the CAN-HI (Y) side of the Coupler and the Green wire is on the CAN-LO (G)
	side.
	The connector may not be fully seated. Check the CAN Coupler to make sure it is
	fully engaged.
	The CAN Coupler may not have been placed on the CAN backbone, but on a stub.
	Try moving the Coupler to a different location.
Ignition is not being detected in	If the engine is already turned on, turn the engine off and then back on.
the Lytx Installation Tool.	There may be an issue with the brown wire connection. Check the wire for
	damage. Check the wire with a voltmeter for 12V/24V with the ignition on. Check
	the vehicle fuse for that circuit.
The GPS time and coordinates	The device may be in an area with poor reception. Try re-locating to a different
are not being detected OR only	area and re-testing the signal.
zeroes are detected in the Lytx	
Installation Tool.	
The ER-SF1 fails to power up	The vehicle battery may be disconnected. Reconnect the battery or check the
after installation.	battery cut-off switch.
	Ensure the red wire on the vehicle interconnect cable is connected to a constant
	power source.
	The fuse may be missing or open. Check the fuse panel location for constant
	power. Ensure the proper value fuse is installed and not open.
	The connection between the standard power cable and the vehicle interconnect
	cable may not be fully secured. Check the connection. Disconnect and reconnect
	the cables, ensuring the connection "snaps".
	The red wire on the vehicle interconnect cable may be damaged. Check the entire
The ED CE1 described as an action	length of the wire for damage/cuts. Fix any issues.
The ER-SF1 does not come out	There may be an issue with the brown wire connection. Check the wire for
of Hibernate mode when the	damage. Check the wire with a voltmeter for 12V/24V with the ignition on. Check
ignition is activated.	the vehicle fuse for that circuit.
The ER-SF1 boots up and	There is an issue with the cellular modem. In the case of a CDMA unit, it indicates
displays a solid Yellow LED	that the cellular modem has not been provisioned properly. In the case of a GSM
status light.	modem, it could be that the SIM card is not seated properly. Reseat and see if the
	light changes to Green. If the status light stays Yellow, contact Lytx Technical Support.
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