

Installation Guide: Aluma-PAK

SS660OX UL-2161 Listed Outdoor Type 2
ELECTRONIC NEON POWER SUPPLY FOR INDOOR/OUTDOOR USE
IN CHANNEL LETTER APPLICATIONS

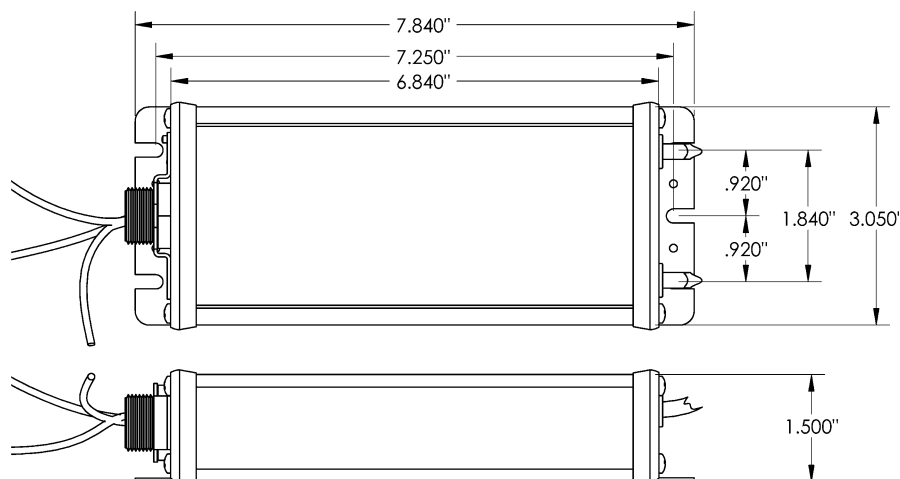
Thanks for purchasing Allanson's Aluma-Pak a member of the Aluma-Pak family. Should you have questions or concerns on Allanson's innovations please do not hesitate to contact us at: 800-661-7251. Please read all installation instructions before installing this power supply.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Input Voltage	120 VAC $\pm$ 5%
Input Frequency	50/60 Hz.
Input Current@Rated Load	1.7 A.
Output Voltage	2 KV – 6 KV RMS.
Output Current	60 mA. RMS.
VA	200
Size (LxWxH)	7.9 x 3.0 x 1.5 inch
Weight	1 Kg.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Input Voltage	108-132 VAC
Operating Temperature	-22°-104°F (-30°-40°C)
Storage Temperature	-22°-140°F (-30°-60°C)



READ CAREFULLY BEFORE INSTALLATION

- o The Aluma-Pak ground wire must be connected to a properly grounded polarized receptacle. Removing the ground wire will **void** warranty.

- o Please make sure that the high voltage output leads are connected firmly to the gas tube(s) and electrodes are properly insulated before powering the unit. Loose connection of high voltage wires can cause hazardous arcing. *Contact with the transformer's high voltage output leads may cause electric shock, burn or death.*
- o Do not ground output leads. Do not run output leads in metal conduit.
- o When operating two or more power supplies in the same installation, make sure units are at least 6" inches (150 mm.) apart.
- o Aluma-Pak can be mounted directly inside channel letter and /or mounted on the back wall, underneath tubes. Aluma-Pak should not be mounted in a position where it is exposed to water.
- o Integral GTO wire leads do not require additional sleeving, however, precautionary measures to protect the integrity of the high voltage leads are recommended.

INSTALLATION AND OPERATION

- o Firmly secure the Aluma-Pak to the application with proper size screws or pop rivets.
- o If Aluma-Pak is mounted on metallic surface, make sure transformer is grounded to metal frame via ground foot provided on unit.
- o Ensure that all HV output leads and tubes are at least 1³/₄" inch (45mm) away from metal.
- o Firmly connect high voltage output leads to electrodes of the gas tube(s) and cover electrode connections with UL/CSA approved "boots" or other approved insulation.
- o Wire the power supply to any standard 120 Volts, (3) three wire, grounded power source.
- o Do NOT run GTO leads from an electronic power supply in metallic conduit. Doing it will cause severe loss of driving distance, and GTO failure.
- o Do NOT overload. The unit has protection and will "flash" if there is an over load of glass and/or excessive capacitance coupling. Work from the footage chart. If in doubt, contact our Tech support hotline at 1-800-661-7251.
- o Keep GTO leads, as short and as far from each other and all surfaces as possible. We recommend 1³/₄" inch (45mm) spacing as a minimum.
- o If long jumper leads must be used, place these as close to the middle of the glass run as possible. The voltage and capacitive current will be lower closer to the middle of tube run, which will lessen the chance of over loading or tripping.
- o Balance glass load and high voltage leads as much as possible. In signs with a border tube, it is best to wire from the center glass outwards, and to place the Aluma-Pak in the middle of the run. This minimizes current loss due to capacitance coupling through the border tube.
- o Follow all applicable UL, NEC, CEC and local codes.

TROUBLE- SHOOTING TIPS

There is a protection circuit in the Aluma-Pak that will interrupt output power whenever an abnormal operation condition happens. A ground fault or a secondary open circuit will trip the unit. Overloading the power supply will result in the sign dimming, until eventually tripping. Please follow the procedure outlined below.

Remove power from the Aluma-Pak. This action will reset the protection circuit. Wait 10 seconds before reapplying power. If tripping continues, remove power and check the following:

- o Are the output leads connected securely and properly to the gas tube(s)?
- o Is the gas tube broken or cracked, resulting in an open circuit?
- o Is one of the tubes leaking?
- o Is there a ground fault condition occurring within the system?
- o Is an unbalanced loading causing false tripping?
- o Are the H.V. leads too close to any metal or ground plain? Remember to keep minimum 1³/₄" inch (45mm) clearance from conductive or combustible surface.

After completing the above check list and rectifying any detected problems, reestablish the input power to the transformer to energize the gas tube (sign). If the Aluma-Pak still does not work properly call customer service at 1-800-661-7251.

Footage Chart (ANSI)

	Tube Diameter	Driving Footage
Mercury	10mm	5' – 12'
	12mm	7' – 18'
	15mm	9' – 23'
Neon	10mm	4' – 11'
	12mm	6' – 16'
	15mm	7' – 19'
Outdoor Mercury	10mm	4' – 10'
	12mm	6' – 14'
	15mm	7' – 17'

Note: Each additional pair of electrodes is equivalent to one foot of tubing. The above footage chart is intended as a guide only. Actual distance will vary due to application.

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