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 [Title] ABS Certificate Approval and Relevant Requirements FX_{3UC} Series PLC

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[Relevant Models] MELSEC-F series

The following MELSEC-F FX_{3UC} Series products have also acquired the type approval certificate on the Programmable Logic Controller from ABS (American Bureau of Shipping).

- FX_{3UC} Series Main Unit
- FX_{3UC} Series Extension Power Supply Unit

1. Applicable Models

Type	Model Name
Main Units	FX _{3UC} -16MT/D , FX _{3UC} -32MT/D , FX _{3UC} -64MT/D , FX _{3UC} -96MT/D , FX _{3UC} -16MT/DSS , FX _{3UC} -32MT/DSS , FX _{3UC} -64MT/DSS , FX _{3UC} -96MT/DSS
Extension Power Supply Unit	FX _{3UC} -1PS-5V

2. ABS certification

The following table explains the acquired ABS certification.

Acquired certification

Item	Description
Accreditation organization	American Bureau of shipping
Certificate No.*	-
Category	Programmable Logic Controller
Test standard	2009 steel Vessels Rules 1-1-4/7.7,4-9-6 and 4-9-7
Term of validity*	-

* Please ask your local Mitsubishi Electric distributor for the certificate No. and term of validity.

Certification details

The ABS approved MELSEC-F FX_{3UC} Series Main Unit, and Extension Power Supply Unit must be used under the following environment.

Item	Description	Remarks
EMC	EMC: Any given place on vessel (Bridge and Deck Zone is included)	Refer to section 3.
Power Supply	The equipment is supplied by a DC supply. (Battery supply is excluded)	Refer to section 3.

3. Requirements

When using the MELSEC-F FX₃UC Series Main Unit and Extension Power Supply Unit in a system requiring ABS approval, make sure the following requirements are observed:

In the following requirements, the "3) noise filter" are additional, when located on the Bridge or Deck Zone.

1) Control cabinet

- a) The control cabinet must be conductive.
- b) Ground the control cabinet with the thickest possible grounding cable.
- c) To ensure that there is electric contact between the control cabinet and its door, connect the cabinet and its doors with thick wires. (See Fig. 1)
- d) In order to suppress the leakage of radio waves, the control cabinet structure must have minimal openings.

Also, wrap the cable holes with a shielding cover or other shielding devices. (See Fig. 1)

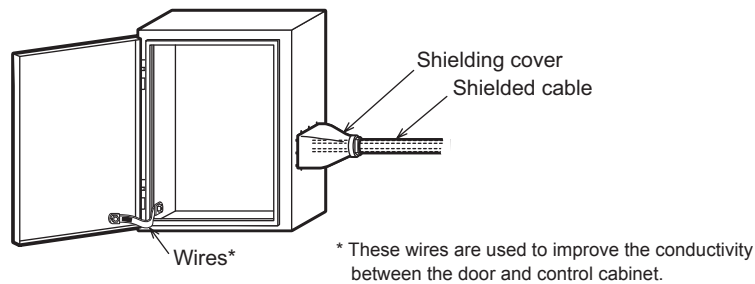


Fig.1. Control Cabinet Example

- e) The control cabinet must assure the protection against foreign bodies and water appropriate to the particular place of installation. The protection class of the FX₃UC Series PLC is IP10.

Mitsubishi's EMC tests have been carried out on a cabinet with the damping characteristics of 46.8 dB max. and 26.4 dB mean (measured by 3 m method with 30 MHz to 2 GHz).

2) Cables

- a) Use shielded cables for the cables that protrude out of the control cabinet.
- b) Connect the shields, such as the shielded cable and the shielding cover, to the grounded control cabinet.

3)Noise filter [Additional requirements when located on the Bridge or Deck Zone]

Make sure to attach a noise filter to the power cable. (See Fig. 3.)

Mitsubishi's EMC tests have been carried out on a noise filter with the common mode damping characteristics (Fig. 2) of the 58 dB mean at 9 MHz to 12 MHz.

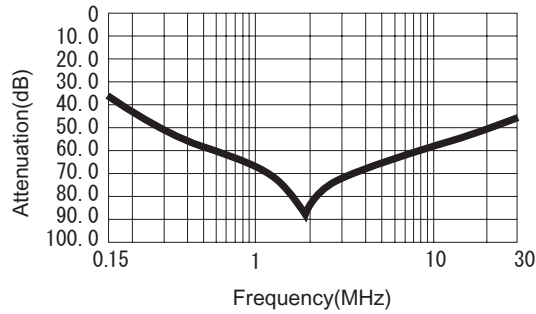
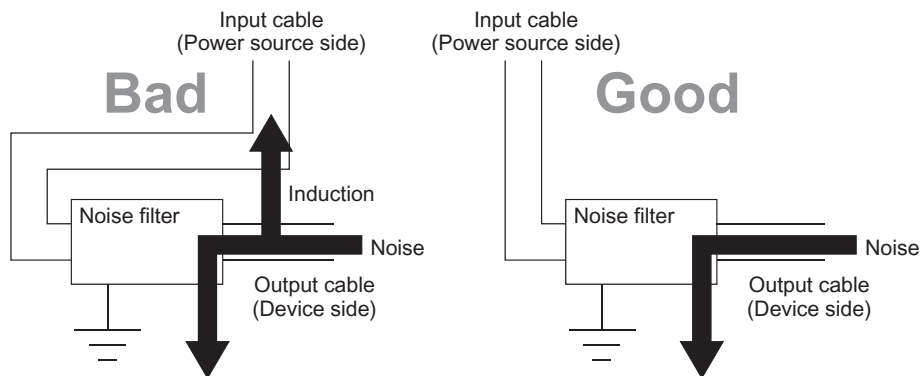


Fig.2. Damping characteristics of noise filter

- a) Separate and lay the input (power source side) and output (device side) cable of the noise filter. Do not bundle the input cable together and do not lay it close to the output cable. If input and output cables are installed together interference may be caused due to noise being inducted to the input cable from the output cable.



Installing the input and output cables together will cause noise induction.

Separate the input cable from the output cable.

Fig.3. Precautions on noise filter

- b) Grounding wires of the noise filter should be as short as possible.

4)Power Supply

The equipment has to be supplied by a DC supply except Battery supply.

Revised History

Date	Revision	Description
Sep. 2009	A	First Edition
Nov. 2015	B	Partial design change

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