# **MODEL 121-2S SPARK DETECTOR**

The 121-2S Infrared Spark Detector is a high speed, ultra sensitive optical radiant energy sensor designed to detect small sparks or particles of burning or smoldering material being transported in pneumatic ducts. They are designed for installations where the temperature in the duct can exceed  $60\,^{\circ}$ C and may go as high as  $260\,^{\circ}$ C. The detector is mounted away from the hot duct and only the fiber optic probe is in the high temperature area.

## Spark Detectors are distinguished by three performance features:

- Spark Detectors are extremely sensitive to very small quantities of radiant energy.
- Their response is faster than any other type of detector.
- They are optimized for the near infrared part of the spectrum.



## **FEATURES**

- Response less than 1 millisecond
- Sensitivity less than 100 nanowatts
- Broad Spectral Response
- Rugged physical design

- Wide field of view 70° per probe
- Easy mounting
- Smooth surface to help self clean
- FM APPROVED





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#### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

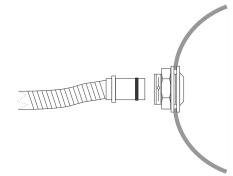
The 121-2S Infrared Spark Detector is sensitive to radiation in the wavelength from 0.4 microns to 1.1 microns. It is most sensitive in the near infrared band centered on 1.0 micron. When a spark or glowing ember enters the field of view of the detector, the detector responds by sending an alarm signal to the control equipment. Most applications require two detectors with a total of 4 fiber optic probes. The probes are mounted 90 degrees apart with the probes of one detector mounted at 1:30 and 4:30 o'clock and the probes of the other detector mounted at 7:30 and 10:30 o'clock.

### **SENSITIVITY TESTING**

When used with a Hansentek Control Panel, two 121-2S detectors can manually or automatically perform a functional sensitivity test under actual operating conditions – across the entire width of the duct and through both lenses.

## **DETECTOR INSTALLATION**

The fiber optic probes provide a smooth surface when mounted on the pneumatic ducts. The smooth surface of the probe on the inside of the duct promotes self cleaning of the lens to help reduce maintenance requirements.



Flanges and mounting hardware are provided with the detectors. The flush mount flange can be mounted from the inside of the duct or mounted through a blind hole

from the outside of the duct with the use of a special tool. The probes

are easily removed from the ducts for inspection or cleaning. And the removable, waterproof connector makes servicing and installation a breeze.

