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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Toro TMC-424E-ID Modular Indoor Controller. Designed for flexibility and ease of use, this controller allows for efficient management of your irrigation system. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and operation to ensure proper functionality and to maximize the lifespan of your unit.



Image: Front view of the Toro TMC-424E-ID Modular Indoor Controller, showcasing its compact design suitable for indoor installation.

Key Features:

- **Station Count Modularity:** Expandable from 4 to 24 stations using 4- or 8-station modules, offering system flexibility.
- **Surge Protection:** Options for standard or high surge modules to meet regional lightning protection requirements.
- **Flow-Sensing:** Monitors and reacts to system leaks or breaks for enhanced water conservation and system integrity.
- **Master Valve/Pump Start Connections:** Supports up to four Master Valve or Pump Start Relays using TSM-4F or TSM-8F modules.
- **Flexible Run Times:** Ability to set run times in minutes or seconds, suitable for various watering needs including planter boxes, misting cycles, nurseries, or syringe cycles.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The Toro TMC-424E-ID controller is designed for indoor installation. Proper setup is crucial for optimal performance and safety. It is recommended that installation be performed by a qualified professional.

Installation Steps:

1. **Mounting:** Select a suitable indoor location away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and moisture. Securely mount the controller to a wall using appropriate hardware.
2. **Wiring Power:** Connect the controller to a dedicated power source according to local electrical codes. Ensure the power is off before making any connections.
3. **Wiring Valves:** Connect the irrigation zone valves to the corresponding terminals on the controller. Ensure all connections are secure and waterproof.
4. **Module Installation:** Insert the required 4- or 8-station modules into the designated slots to achieve the desired number of active zones.
5. **Master Valve/Pump Start:** If applicable, connect the master valve or pump start relay to the designated terminals.
6. **Sensor Connections:** Connect any optional sensors (e.g., rain sensor, flow sensor) to their respective terminals.

After all connections are made, restore power to the controller. The unit should power on and be ready for initial programming.

OPERATION

Operating the Toro TMC-424E-ID controller involves programming watering schedules, adjusting run times, and utilizing advanced features. The user interface is designed for intuitive navigation.

Basic Programming:

- **Set Current Time and Date:** Access the system settings to set the correct time and date for accurate scheduling.
- **Program Start Times:** Define the desired start times for your irrigation cycles. Multiple start times can be set per program.
- **Set Zone Run Times:** For each active zone, specify the watering duration. The controller supports run times in minutes or seconds, allowing for precise watering.
- **Select Watering Days:** Choose specific days of the week for irrigation or select an interval-based schedule.
- **Manual Operation:** The controller allows for manual activation of individual zones or all zones for testing or immediate watering needs.

Advanced Features:

- **Seasonal Adjust:** Easily increase or decrease watering durations for all programs by a percentage to adapt to changing weather conditions.
- **Flow Monitoring:** If a flow sensor is installed, the controller will monitor water flow and can be configured to react to abnormal flow rates, indicating leaks or breaks.
- **Rain Sensor Bypass:** Temporarily override the rain sensor for specific watering needs.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and reliable operation of your Toro TMC-424E-ID controller.

- **Cleaning:** Keep the controller's exterior clean and free of dust and debris. Use a soft, damp cloth for cleaning;

avoid harsh chemicals.

- **Wiring Inspection:** Periodically check all wiring connections for tightness and signs of corrosion or damage.
- **Surge Protection:** Ensure that the surge protection modules are functioning correctly, especially after electrical storms. Replace damaged modules as needed.
- **Battery Backup:** If your model includes a battery for program retention during power outages, check and replace it periodically as recommended by the manufacturer.
- **Software Updates:** Check the manufacturer's website for any available firmware updates that may improve performance or add features.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section provides solutions to common issues you might encounter with your Toro TMC-424E-ID controller. For more complex problems, contact customer support.

Common Issues and Solutions:

- **Controller Not Powering On:**
 - Check the power supply connection and ensure the outlet has power.
 - Verify that the circuit breaker has not tripped.
- **Zones Not Watering:**
 - Ensure the program is active and start times are set correctly.
 - Check if the rain sensor is active and preventing watering.
 - Inspect wiring to the valves for loose connections or damage.
 - Manually activate the zone to check if the valve operates.
- **Watering Continuously:**
 - Check for a stuck valve or a wiring short.
 - Ensure run times are programmed correctly and not excessively long.
- **Error Messages:**
 - Refer to the controller's display for specific error codes and consult the full troubleshooting guide on the Toro website or contact support.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, it is recommended to contact Toro customer support or a certified irrigation technician.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions	10.75 x 4.5 x 10.25 inches
Item Weight	5 pounds
Manufacturer	Toro

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ASIN	B0052D3JLM
Item Model Number	TMC-424E-ID

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For detailed warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Toro website. Warranty terms and conditions may vary.

If you require technical assistance, have questions about your controller, or need to report an issue, please contact Toro Customer Support. Contact information can typically be found on the Toro website or within the product packaging.

Online Resources: For additional support, FAQs, and product documentation, visit the official Toro website.