



## **AV-PAPI Series 3**

Precision Approach Path Indicator Constant Current Powered Systems FAA - Style B ICAO

## **INSTALLATION & SERVICE MANUAL**



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## 1 - Warnings and Cautions



**WARNING** indicates that serious bodily harm or death may result if precautions are not followed.



**CAUTION** indicates that damage to equipment may result if instructions are not followed.

1.1 Handling Light Em	itting Diodes (LEDs)		
$\wedge$	WARNING		
WARNING	<b>DO NOT</b> look into lenses that are actively emitting LED or infrared light. The PAPI can emit both visible and infrared lighting that is harmful to the eyes.		
1.2 Handling Batteries	3		
$\wedge$	WARNING		
WARNING	Use caution when handling the PAPI light. The PAPI can generate enormous short-circuit currents. Remove any bracelets, watches or rings before attempting to handle or remove batteries.		
	CAUTION		
CAUTION	Periodically charge batteries to avoid permanent damage or reduced capacity.		
, , , , , ,	on weather. Warmer weather causes the batteries to discharge more quickly		
	battery charge is required for any lights that have been stored for long periods ss battery health, ensure power is off, and store lights in a dark location for a		

1.3 Handling Light He	ad Assemblies (LHA)		
	CAUTION		
CAUTION	<ul> <li>Always follow these instructions when handling the AV-PAPI:</li> <li>The LHAs contain glass components. <b>Do not drop!</b></li> <li>The LHA is designed to be transported in the horizontal position.</li> <li>Do not step on the top of the LHA.</li> <li>When cleaning lenses, apply light pressure only. Grit on the lens is hard and sharp and will scratch the surface of the lenses.</li> </ul>		
1.4 Improper Cleaning	g Agents		
	CAUTION		
CAUTION	Improper cleaning methods and unauthorized cleaning agents can injure personnel and damage equipment. Do not use standard commercial glass window cleaners on the exit windows. While the lens itself is hard, the outer surface is coated and the cleaner may remove or scratch the coating. If necessary, use a standard lens cleaning fluid.		
1.5 Inclinometer			
	CAUTION		
CAUTION	<b>DO NOT</b> install battery backwards. To ensure accurate readings, calibrate the digital inclinometer before using. Refer to instructions included with the inclinometer.		
1.6 Power Sources			
	CAUTION		
CAUTION	<b>DO NOT</b> connect the PCU directly to the DC output of a generator or any unregulated power source. Ensure that the PCU Power switch on the PCU control panel is toggled to the <b>OFF</b> position before connecting power to the PCU. Failure to toggle the Power switch to <b>OFF</b> may result in damage to the power sources or the PCU.		
1.7 Heated Lens			
	CAUTION		
CAUTION	Heated lens option <b>required</b> for all PAPIs used in sub-zero or arctic conditions.		



## 2 - Product Configurations and Options

#### AV-PAPI-[X]-[XX]-66-[XX]-[X] Standard/Size: ICAO Abbreviated-PAPI 2-LHA А -2 FAA 2-LHA 4 FAA/ICAO 4-LHA Mounting: · P0 = Permanent P1 = Portable Options: 0 = None 1 = Radiofrequency Control 2 = Infrared Only 3 Infrared and Radiofrequency Control = 4 Heated Lens = 5 = Radiofrequency Control and Heated Lens 6 = Infrared and Heated Lens 7 Infrared, Radiofrequency Control, and Heated Lens = 8 = Tilt Switch 9 Radiofrequency Control and Tilt Switch = 10 = Infrared and Tilt Switch 11 = Infrared, Radiofrequency Control, and Tilt Switch 12 = Heated Lens and Tilt Switch (Standard FAA Version) 13 Radiofrequency Control, Heated Lens, and Tilt Switch = 14 Infrared, Heated Lens, and Tilt Switch 15 Infrared, Radiofrequency Control, Heated Lens, and Tilt Switch = Color: 0 = FAA Orange 1 **ICAO** Yellow =

- 2 Marine Grade Orange =
- 3 Marine Grade Yellow =
- Desert Sand 4 =
- 5 = NATO Green
- Marine Grade Desert Sand 6 =
- 7 Marine Grade NATO Green

## 3 - AV-PAPI Series 3 Components

AV-PAPI Kit Contents	Quantity	
	4 Box	2 Box
Light Head Assembly: Pre-Wired With 6 ft. Lengths Of Power And Control Cables With Rubber Overmolded L-823 Connectors	4	2
1 in. Liquidtite Flexible Conduit (50 ft.)		1
3 Conductor 22 AWG Wire (100 ft.)	1	1
Mounting Legs for LHA 12-3/4" Long with Frangible	4	2
Mounting Legs for LHA 14" Long with Frangible	8	4
2 in. Flanges	12	6
Digital Inclinometer with Mounting Screws	1	1

## 4 - Acronyms and Abbreviations

EMT	Electrical Metallic Tubing	
FAA	United States Federal Aviation Administration	
ft.	foot	
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization	
in.	inches	
IR	Infrared	
kg	kilogram	
lb.	pound	
LED	Light Emitting Diode	
LHA	Light Head Assembly	
mm	millimeter	
PAPI	Precision Approach Path Indicator	
OD	Outside Diameter	
PCB	Printed Circuit Board	
PCU	Power Control Unit	
RF	Radio Frequency	
SHCS	Socket Head Cap Screw	
SS	Stainless Steel	
v	Volt	
VDC	Volts, Direct Current	



## 5 - Limitations of Scope

This manual provides information specific for assembly, installation and operation.

## 6 - Location References



Throughout this manual, the terms front, rear, top, bottom, left and right, are used as reference terms to describe specific locations on the Light Head Assemblies (LHA).

- · Glass lenses are located on the front panel.
- · The power connector and manufacturer's labels are located on the rear panel.
- The right side is the side to the right when looking at the front of the LHA, and the left side is the side to the left when looking at the front of the LHA.

## 7 - Disclaimer

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## 8 - Regulations

This manual is not a substitute for federal, state, and local regulations, including FAA and ICAO. Refer to and perform all actions/operations outlined in this manual in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations. The following FAA, UFC, and ICAO regulations were referenced while writing this manual:

- UFC 3-535-01
- FAA AC 150/5345-28H
- FAA AC 150/5340-30D
- ICAO Annex 14 Part 1

### 9 - Scope

This manual contains installation, operation, and maintenance information for the LED Precision Approach Path Indicator (AV-PAPI), Precision Approach Path Indicator Series 3

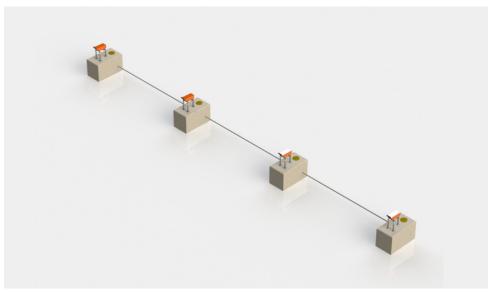
(AV-PAPI Series 3) and Abbreviated Precision Approach Path Indicator (AV-APAPI).



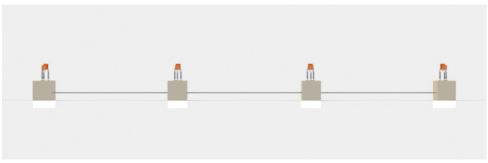
## 10 - Equipment Overview

#### 10.1 Equipment Characteristics, Capabilities, and Features

The AV-PAPI Series 3 guides pilots on approach to landing by indicating an aircraft's vertical position with respect to proper glideslope. LEDs provide corridors of red and white lights emanating from a location off to the left of the landing zone. The AV-PAPI Series 3 system includes four LHAs. Each LHA projects beams of steady white and steady red light.



Fully Assembled AV-PAPI System – Overhead View



Fully Assembled AV-PAPI – Rear View

#### 10.2 Major Components

The AV-PAPI is comprised of the following major components:

2 or 4 Light Head Assemblies (LHA)

Also included are:

- Inclinometer
- Connection wire
- Flex conduit
- Frangible mounting system

NOTE: Heated lens option required for all PAPIs used in sub-zero or arctic conditions.

#### 10.2.1 Light Head Assembly (LHA)

Please refer to Section 12, Specifications in this manual for exact LHA dimensions.



Light Head Assembly

Intensity Levels	ICAO	FAA
Intensity Step 5	100%	
Intensity Step 4	20%	
Intensity Step 3	4%	100%
Intensity Step 2	0.8%	20%
Intensity Step 1	0.16%	5%

**NOTE:** Heated lens option <u>required</u> for all PAPIs used in sub-zero or arctic conditions. Heated lens option not shown. Heated Lens and Tilt Switch **required** for FAA Certified.

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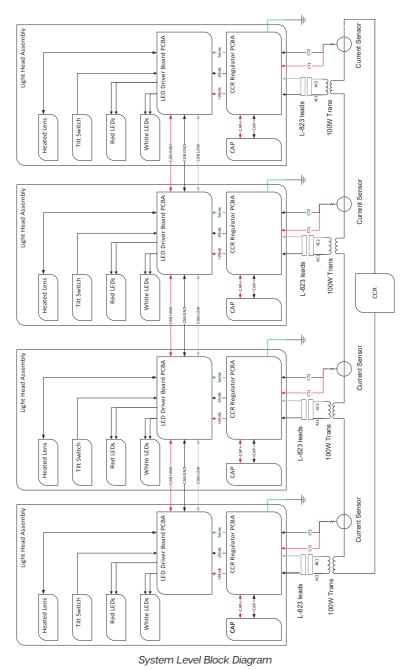
#### 10.2.2 Inclinometer

A digital inclinometer is included to set the side-to-side level and tilt angles for the LHA. Refer to the Owner's Manual included with the digital inclinometer for user instructions.



Digital Inclinometer

#### 10.3 Wiring Overview

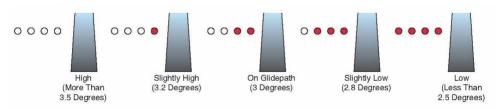




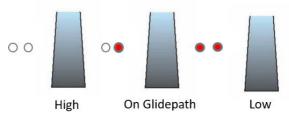
## 11 - Theory of Operation

#### 11.1 Light Head Assembly (LHA)

LHAs use a row of high power LEDs to generate light of the required color: red for the bottom corridor, or white for the top corridor. The signal format seen by the pilot is illustrated in the figure below.



Signal Format As Seen By Pilot On Approach To Landing For The 4-Box Configuration



APAPI 2-Box Configuration

LEDs provide corridors of red and white lights emanating from a location off to the left side of the landing zone. Each LHA projects beams of steady white and steady red light.

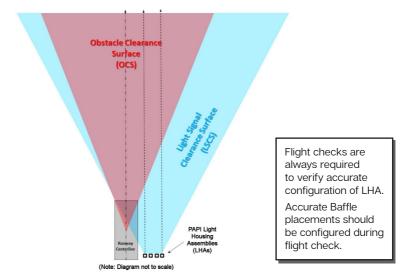
There are four different combinations of red and white lights used to indicate degree of glideslope:

- Two LHAs showing a red light, and the other two showing a white light, indicate proper glideslope on approach to landing.
- White lights for all four LHAs, indicate the aircraft is well above the proper glideslope.
- White lights from three LHAs, and a red light from one LHA, indicate the aircraft is **above** the proper glideslope.
- Red lights from three LHAs, and a white light from one LHA, indicate that the aircraft is below the proper glideslope.
- Red lights emanating from all four LHAs, indicate that the aircraft is well below the proper glideslope.

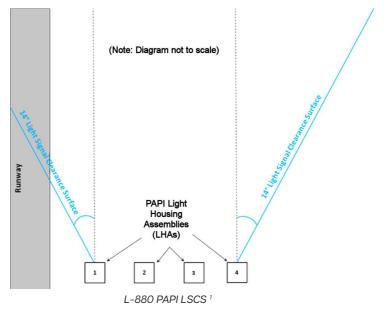
Light Combination	Degree of Glideslope	
$\bigcirc \bigcirc $	PROPER glideslope on approach to landing	
0000	WELL ABOVE the proper glideslope	
$\bigcirc \bigcirc $	ABOVE the proper glideslope	
$\bigcirc \bullet \bullet \bullet$	BELOW the proper glideslope	
	WELL BELOW the proper glideslope	

#### **11.2 External Baffles**

External Baffles (also known as Blanking Devices) are available to modify the horizontal light beam coverage of the PAPI for obstacle avoidance in the approach area and light signal obstruction clearance zone.

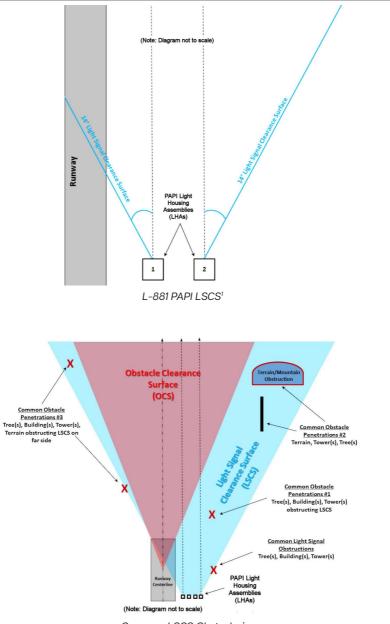


PAPI Obstacle Clearance Surface (OCS) and Light Signal Clearance Surface (LSCS)<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Kodsi, Khalil E. "FAA Engineering Brief No. 95, Additional Siting and Survey Considerations for Precision Approach Path Indictor (PAPI) and Other Visual Glide Slope Indicators (VGSI)." Federal Aviation Administration, 19 Dec. 2017.





Common LSCS Obstacles<sup>1</sup>

Contact Avlite Customer Support for specific installation recommendation. Additional citing and survey considerations can be found in FAA Engineering Brief No. 95.

#### 11.3 Tilt Switch

The efficacy of PAPI systems is contingent on all the beams of LHAs angled correctly with respect to one another and with respect to the desired glideslope.

If a PAPI's angle is incorrect, it could provide an incorrect glideslope indication to the aviator, so PAPIs are designed to operate in a "fail safe" manner. By using electromechanical tilt switches to detect a PAPI's angle, the system will only emit light if all LHAs are in the correct angular position as per the prescribed system configuration and set up. Each LHA is equipped with a single tilt switch, and all LHA tilt switches are wired in series to form an electrical loop. If any one LHA deviates from its angular set position or if any tilt switch fails, the power to all LHAs will be disconnected. This type of "fail safe" protection can be used with 2-LHA and 4-LHA systems.

#### 11.4 Heated Lens

The Lens Heater circuit is microprocessor controlled to eliminate rapid on/off cycling thereby minimizing power consumption. It will be activated to ON when temperatures fall below set point (of 50 degrees Fahrenheit). The heater will turn OFF above set point.

<sup>1</sup>Kodsi, Khalil E. "FAA Engineering Brief No. 95, Additional Siting and Survey Considerations for Precision Approach Path Indictor (PAPI) and Other Visual Glide Slope Indicators (VGSI)." Federal Aviation Administration, 19 Dec. 2017.



## 12 - Specifications

AV-PAPI Series 3				
<b>Electrical Characteristics</b>	6			
Input Current Range	3 & 5 step 2.8A to 6.6A (100w transformer per LHA)			
Input Frequency	50/60 Hz			
Power Consumption				
ICAO/FAA L-880 (4-Box)		316	VA	
FAA L-881 (2-Box)		158	VA	
ICAO APAPI		77	VA	
<b>Physical Characteristics</b>				
Body Material	Epoxy painte	ed aluminum chassi	s with aviation oran	ige standard;
		yellow and other	r colors available	
Hardware Material		Stainless steel & a	nodized aluminum	
Lens Design		Optical g	lass lens	
Mounting		Permanent a	and portable	
Dimensions	Height	Width	Length	Weight
(LHA Only)	(inches/mm)	(inches/mm)	(inches/mm)	(lb/kg)
Permanent	12.06 / 306	12.75 / 324	26.87 / 682	17.8 / 8.07
Portable	Extended: 19.45 / 494	13.22 / 335	26.47 / 672	25 / 11.34
	Collapsed:			
	14.2 / 360			
<b>Environmental Factors</b>				
Temperature	-31 to 131 °F (-35 to +55 °C) - Ambient			
		-67 to 176 °F (-55 to	o +80 °C) - Storage	
Wind Loading		100 mph	(45 m/s)	
<b>Certifications and Comp</b>	ompliance			
CE	EN61000-6-3:2007			
			-6-1:2007	
Quality Assurance			01:2015	
ICAO		Part 1 PAPI (2 & 4 LH		· ·
FAA	L-880/881 (2 & 4	LHA) AC 150/5345-		B Class I pending
	(Style A currently FAA Certified)			
UFC			HA) Compliant	
DGAC	Pending			
Intellectual Property				
Patents	U.S. Patent No. US 9,863,601 B2			
Trademarks		<sup>®</sup> is a registered tra		
Warranty *	,	ems (AV-PAPI) are v	5	
		n design or manufa		
		n or 24 months fror al defects in design		
	0	0		
	specific circuitry for a period of 4 years per FAA EB67 (applicable edition).			

Options Available • 2.4 GHz, PALC/ARCAL • Hardwired control • Mounting solutions • Marine grade stainless steel • External baffles (blanking devices)

CC \* Specifications subject to change or variation without notice. \* Subject to standard terms and conditions. \* FAA 150/5345-28H Certified

**NOTE:** Heated lens option <u>required</u> for all PAPIs used in sub-zero or arctic conditions. Heated Lens and Tilt Switch <u>required</u> for FAA Certified.

### 13 - Compliance

FAA 150/5345-28H, and ICAO Annex 14 Part 1, 5.3.4.10 - 5.3.4.2

### 14 - Unpacking, Installation, Assembly, and Setup

List of High-Level Steps Required for Installing the AV-PAPI Series 3:

Research federal, state, and local requirements for concrete pad, conduit and PAPI installation. Refer to *Section 8, Regulations* of this manual for some, but not all, of the applicable regulations.

Install electrical underground electrical conduit that will connect the LHAs to each other.

Pour concrete pads for the LHAs depending upon AV-PAPI configuration.

Install LHAs.

Install power.

Complete wiring.

#### 14.1 Unpacking

Unpack all hardware and inspect for damage. If there is any damage, please contact your Avlite Office. Retain original packing material for possible future use in shipping.



#### 14.2 Tools Required (Not Supplied)

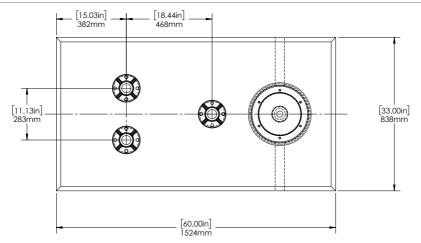
Tools Required (Not Supplied)	Quantity
#1 Phillips Screwdriver	1
#2 Phillips Screwdriver	1
Large Flat Bladed Screwdriver with 5/16" (8mm) tip	1
Small Flat Bladed Screwdriver with 1/8" (3mm) tip	1
9/16" (15mm) Combination Wrench, socket, or adjustable spanner	1
3/4" (19mm) Combination Wrench, or adjustable spanner	2
3/16" Cabinet Tip Flat-Bladed Screwdriver	1
3-3/8" (85mm) Capacity Adjustable Spanner or Pliers	1
10" Tongue and Groove Pliers	1
Wire Stripper(s) for use with 22 AWG (0.3mm <sup>2</sup> ) and 12 AWG wire (3.3mm <sup>2</sup> )	1
Crimper for Insulated Terminals	1
Electrical Tape	1
Utility Knife	1
Hack Saw with Metal Cutting Blade	1
Hammer Drill	1
5/8" (16mm) Drill Bit for use with Hammer Drill	1
Multi-meter capable of measuring voltage and current	1
Conduit and fittings suitable for burying electrical conductors	As required

#### **14.3 Site Requirements**

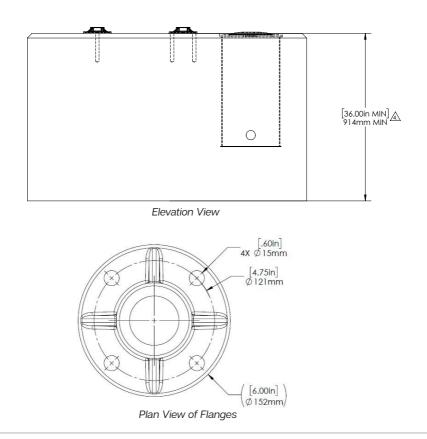
The length and width of the concrete pad should extend 12" [305 mm] beyond the LHA weather cover in all directions. The depth of the foundation shall be a minimum of 36" [914 mm] or 12" [305 mm] below the frost line, whichever is greater.

The distance between the two front supports is 11.13 inches.

Aiming angle and location of the LHAs shall be as indicated on the runway plans or other contract documents.



Plan View Indicating The Distances Between The Three Front Legs Of The LHA

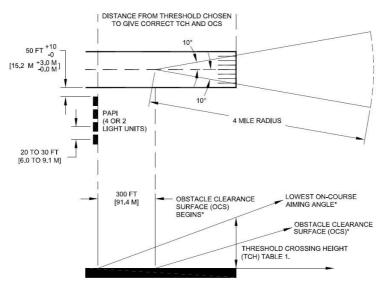




**Position the AV-PAPI near the runway in accordance with specifications from either FAA or ICAO.** Refer to Section 14.4 Positioning the LHAs for more information. An example of typical placement involves positioning the AV-PAPI to the left of the runway as seen by the approaching aircraft across from the touchdown zone. Location is determined based on:

- Aircraft type
- Runway grade
- Nominal glideslope angle
- LHA height above ground

Site requirements are more complex than shown in the following illustration. Aircraft type, grade of runway, and whether or not there is an Instrument Landing System (ILS) are just a few factors to consider. Additionally, there are different rules for general aviation runways used by non-jet aircraft.



PAPI OCS ANGLE = LOWEST ON-COURSE AIMING ANGLE - 1 DEGREE

The diagram above shows the Layout on the Runway for PAPI LHAs from FAA AC 150/5340-30d. This is an example only. **The installer is responsible for positioning the LHA in accordance with specifications from all appropriate regulatory agencies.** 

- **NOTES:** 1. The visual glide path angle is the center of the on-course zone, and is a nominal 3 degrees when measured from the horizontal surface of the runway.
  - A. For non-jet runways, the glide path may be raised to 4° maximum to provide obstacle clearance.
  - B. If the PAPI glide path is changed to a higher angle from the nominal 3°, it must be communicated in a notice to airman (NOTAM) and published in the airport facility directory.

- 2. PAPI Obstacle Clearance Surface (OCS).
  - A. The PAPI OCS provides the pilot with a minimum approach clearance.
  - B. The PAPI must be positioned and aimed so no obstacles penetrate its surface.
    - i. The OCS begins 300 ft. in front of the PAPI system.
    - ii. The OCS is projected into the approach zone one degree less than aiming angle of the third light unit from the runway for an L-880 system, or the outside light unit for an L-881 system.

#### 14.4 Positioning the LHAs

Position the LHAs nearest the runway with the front facing toward the approach end of the runway (the approach end is the end from which the aircraft will be coming) and with the sides of the LHA parallel to the runway at a distance from the runway as specified by the appropriate regulatory agency. Ensure that the location of the first light head assembly (LHA-1) and tolerances on the placement of LHA-1 comply with the appropriate regulatory agency. For example, the tolerance on azimuthal aiming in UFC 3-535-01 and AC 150/5340-30D is ±0.5 deg. Adjust the incline angle of LHA-1 with the procedure in *Section 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies*, except that for a standard FAA installation, the LHA nearest the runway is set at an incline that is 30 arcminutes (0.5°) above the glide path within ±3 arcmin (0.05 deg).

Place the second light head assembly (LHA-2) further from the runway edge than the first LHA, with its front facing towards the approach end of the runway and with its sides parallel to the runway at a distance from LHA-1 as specified by the appropriate regulatory agency. Ensure that the location and tolerances on the placement for LHA comply with appropriate regulatory agency regulations. For example, the tolerance on azimuthal aiming in UFC 3-535-01 and AC 150/5340-30D is ±0.5 deg and the beam centers for all of the LHA must be within ±1 inch of a horizontal plane. Adjust the incline angle of LHA-2 with the procedure in *Section 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies*, except that for a standard FAA installation, LHA-2 is set at an incline that is 10 arcminutes (0.17°) above the glide path within ±3 arcmin (0.05 deg).

Place the third and fourth light head assemblies further from the runway adjacent to LHA-2 and spaced with the same distance as between LHA-1 and LHA-2. The locations for LHA-3 and LHA-4 and tolerances on their placement must comply with the appropriate regulatory agency regulations. For example, the tolerance on azimuthal aiming in UFC 3-535-01 and AC 150/5340-30D is ±0.5 deg and the beam centers of all of the LHA must be within ±1 inch of a horizontal plane. Adjust the incline angle of LHA-3 with the procedure in *Section 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies*, except that for a standard FAA installation, LHA-3 is set at an incline that is 10 arcminutes (0.17°) below the glide path within ±3 arcmin (0.05 deg). Adjust the incline angle of LHA-4 with the procedure in *Section 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies*, except that for a standard FAA installation, LHA-3 is set at an incline that is 10 arcminutes (0.17°) below the glide path within ±3 arcmin (0.05 deg). Adjust the incline angle of LHA-4 with the procedure in *Section 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies*, except that for a standard FAA installation, LHA-4 is set at an incline that is 30 arcminutes (0.5°) below the glide path within ±3 arcmin (0.05 deg).

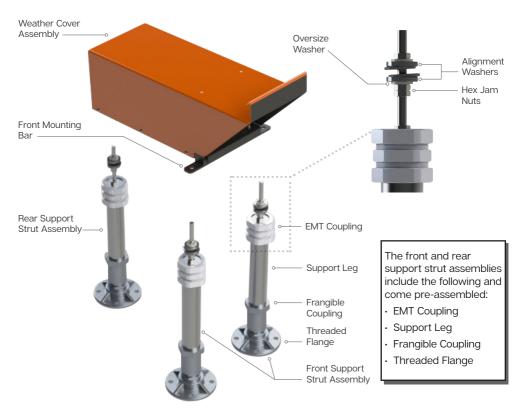
There must not be any obstructions in front of (towards the approaching aircraft) the four LHA in order for the pilot to see both LHA on the approach to landing. Obstruction clearances must comply with the appropriate regulatory agency. The ICAO standards contain an obstacle protection surface 0.9° below the aim angle of the outer (lower) LHA.

External Baffles (also known as Blanking Devices) are available to modify the horizontal light beam coverage of the PAPI for obstacle avoidance in the approach area. Refer to Section 11.2, External Baffles.



#### 14.5 Light Head Assembly (LHA) Setup

For permanent installation, mount each of the three LHA legs on concrete pads using frangible couplings, tubing, and threaded rod. Position the shorter leg on the rear flange and the longer legs on the front flanges. Use the following diagram to assemble the LHAs.



- 1. Using a 3/4 in. wrench, remove the top hex jam nuts, oversize washers, and alignment washers on each of the legs.
- 2. Position the bottom hex jam nuts, oversize washers, and alignment washers on the threaded rod on all three legs of each LHA near the middle of their adjustment range.
- 3. Orient each LHA so that the front (the side with the glass lenses) faces the approach end of the runway.
- 4. Lower the LHA housing onto the three sets of bottom hex jam nuts, oversize washers, and alignment washers on the threaded rods of the legs.
- 5. Install three other sets of hex jam nuts, oversize washers, and alignment washers onto the threaded rods.
- 6. Position each LHA on a line perpendicular to the runway centerline within ±6 in.



Fully assembled LHA (photo for demonstration purposes only)

#### 14.6 Installation and Wiring

Wire #	Signal	Color	Size	Function
1	CAN_H	Red	22 AWG [0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> ]	High of the CAN Bus Signal Pair
2	CAN_L	White	22 AWG [0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> ]	Low of the CAN Bus Signal Pair
3	CAN_GND	Black	22 AWG [0.3 mm <sup>2</sup> ]	Ground Reference for the CAN Bus – Isolated From the Main DC Power Ground



#### 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies

Follow these steps to set the LHA level side-to-side:

- 1. Center the inclinometer in the front of the base plate. If the optical head is dirty, clean the base plate in the spot where the inclinometer is placed.
- 2. Rotate the inclinometer so that it aligns with the front edge of the base plate, perpendicular to the runway direction.



Inclinometer positioned in the middle of the front of the base plate

3. Adjust the incline angle by turning the lower jam nuts on the threaded rods of the legs.



- 4. Use a 3/4 in. wrench to adjust the position of the jam nuts. To do this:
  - a. Loosen all of the upper jam nuts.
  - b. Adjust the leg height by turning the lower jam nuts adjacent to the spherical washers.
  - c. Use the upper jam nuts to lock the position after the adjustment is completed.
- 5. Adjust one front leg shorter, and the other front leg longer until the inclinometer indicates level within  $\pm$  0.05° (3 arcmin).
- 6. Clean the inclinometer bracket.
- 7. Place the inclinometer on the top of the inclinometer bracket and tighten the thumb screws.



Inclinometer Positioned On Top Of The Inclinometer Bracket

- 8. Loosen the upper jam nut on the rear leg of the LHA.
- 9. Adjust the bottom jam nut on the rear leg of the LHA until the incline angle is proper according to the appropriate regulatory agency.
- 10. Set LHA-1 (nearest runway) to 3° 30 min.
- 11. Set LHA-2 (next adjacent) to 3° 10 min.
- 12. Set LHA-3 to 2° 50 min.
- 13. Set LHA-4 (outermost) to 2° 30 min.
- 14. Adjust until the inclinometer indicates the proper angle with ±0.05° (3 arcmin).

Typical Inclinometer Incline Angles and Tolerances for 3° Glideslope				
Position Incline Angle Tolerance				
LHA-1	3° 30 min.	<u>+</u> 0.05° (3 arcmin)		
LHA-2	3° 10 min.	<u>+</u> 0.05° (3 arcmin)		
LHA-3	2° 50 min.	<u>+</u> 0.05° (3 arcmin)		
LHA-4	2° 30 min.	<u>+</u> 0.05° (3 arcmin)		

- 15. Move the inclinometer back to the position for measurement of the side-to-side level.
- 16. Repeat the level adjustment by moving one leg down and the other up an equal amount.
- 17. Move the inclinometer back to the inclinometer bracket.



- 18. If the incline angle has changed, repeat adjustment until it is properly set.
- 19. Continue adjustments until the incline angle and the side-to-side level are within tolerance.
- 20. Remove inclinometer from the optical head.

#### 14.8 Focusing

Each LHA is focused at the factory. Focusing by the user is not possible.

#### 14.9 Adjustment of Excessive Tilt Mechanism

The following procedure can only be performed successfully once the correct angle for each LHA has been determined and set in accordance to the desired glideslope angle.

Each LHA comes with a Tilt Switch, located in back of the bracket that holds the Inclinometer. This is used to extinguish the LEDs should LHA position be disturbed or changed. The Tilt Switch should be adjusted after LHAs are set at the correct angle.

To adjust Tilt Switch, loosen both screws that hold bracket and place digital inclinometer against bottom of Tilt Switch (see below photo).



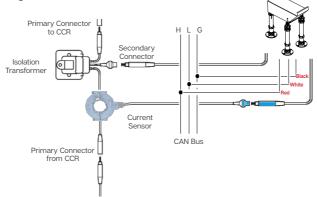
**NOTE:** Inclinometer and Tilt Switch must be clean and free of debris to ensure accurate [tilt] angle is achieved.

The bracket can be rotated until the inclinometer reads 0 degrees. It may be necessary to tap the switch several times when in final position to settle the contact mercury. Recheck angle to verify position is correct.

Once the tilt switches in all the LHAs have been set in place, flip the "Tilt Switch Bypass" switch on the controller to the "down" position. The tilt switch circuit can now disable the PAPI if one or more LHAs deviate from the correct angle.

## **NOTE:** The "closed" range of the tilt switch is within the angular range of +0.5 degrees and -0.25 degrees. A small deviation within this range will not affect functionality.

#### 14.10 Connecting CCR Cables



- 1. Flexible conduit (included) should be used to protect the wires exiting the LHA from environmental interference; a receptacle for conduit has been incorporated into the bottom of the LHA for ease of use and access.
- 2. Install Isolation Transformer in base can.
- 3. Route one of the Isolation Transformer's primary cables through Current Sensor.



4. Plug both primary cables into one another.



- 5. Plug current Current Sensor into the cable exiting LHA. Both marked with blue heat shrink.
- 6. Plug the secondary cable coming from Current Sensor into PAPI.







## **15 - Functional System Tests**

Follow these steps to perform a full functional system test on one LHA:

#### **Prior to Installation**

Follow these steps to verify that the system powers on as expected:

- 1. Move the LHA to a work area. If the LHAs are dirty, rinse them by spraying clean water and wiping off any debris with a cloth.
- 2. Set up the LHA as explained in Section 14.7 Aiming the Light Head Assemblies.
- 3. Connect the LHA to power source and verify the system powers on.

#### **Manual Operation**

Follow these steps to perform a functional system test:

- 1. Stand in front of an LHA and place a diffuse reflective surface in front of the weather cover to see the reflection of the beams. The surface can be a piece of paper, cardboard or clothing. Verify that white light is emitted from the top row and red light is emitted from the bottom row.
- 2. Observe the intensity of the light on the reflective surface. Toggle the Intensity Level switch 5 to the OFF position and the Intensity Level switch 4 to the **up** position. The intensity of the white and red beams should be at 20%.
- 3. Repeat these steps for each intensity level, confirming the remaining 4%, 0.8%, and 0.16% levels.
- 4. Repeat these steps to check the operation of each LHA in the same manner.

## 16 - Maintenance

Disconnect all power to equipment before removing from service. All maintenance should be performed by qualified personnel familiar with Airfield Ground Lighting. Ideally, all maintenance tasks that require the Optical Housing or Electrical Enclosure to be opened should be performed in a clean, dry, dust free environment.

#### 16.1 Cleaning the Lens

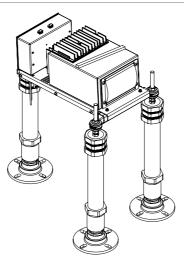
When installed in dusty environments, it may be necessary to periodically clean the lens on the LHA.

- 1. Access LHA lenses through the front, under the weather cover.
- 2. Use a clean, soft lint-free cloth or lens tissue to clean the outer surfaces of the lenses. Reach in to clean the lenses.
- 3. Wipe using a downward motion, lifting the cloth from the lens surface before repeating the wiping motion. This accumulates the dirt and debris at the bottom of the lens where it cannot affect the beam.
- 4. Apply only **light** pressure when cleaning. Often grit on the lens is hard and sharp and will scratch lens surfaces.
- 5. You can also spray clean water on the outer surfaces of the lenses. Use a clean, soft, lint-free cloth or lens tissue to clean the outer surfaces of the lenses and wipe the residual water off of the lenses.
- 6. If the front surfaces of the lenses are very dirty, you can use lens cleaner fluid. Spray or pour a small amount of lens cleaning fluid on some clean lens tissue or piece of soft cloth, then wipe the lenses in a downward motion, as previously explained.
- 7. Take another piece of clean, dry lens tissue or soft cloth and wipe the residual lens cleaner fluid off of the lenses with the same downward motion as previously discussed.
- **NOTE:** It is important not to scratch the outer surface of the lenses or leave residue that attracts dust or dirt.

#### 16.2 Removing the LHA Weather Cover

Many maintenance or repair tasks require the removal of the weather cover. Follow these steps to remove the LHA weather cover:

- 1. Use a #2 Phillips screwdriver to remove the four truss head machine screws along the bottom rear panel of the LHA weather cover.
- 2. Remove four truss head machine screws along the bottom of each side of the weather cover. Save these twelve (12) screws in a clean, safe place.
- 3. Slide the weather cover back slightly, then lift the weather cover straight up until it clears the optical assembly. Set the weather cover away from the remainder of the LHA.
- 4. Installation is the reverse of assembly.



The illustration above shows the isometric wireframe drawing of the PAPI LHA with the weather cover removed. The front of the PAPI is on the right. The optical enclosure is towards the front. The power circuit board is located in the enclosure at the rear of the LHA.

#### **16.3 Re-Lamping Procedure**

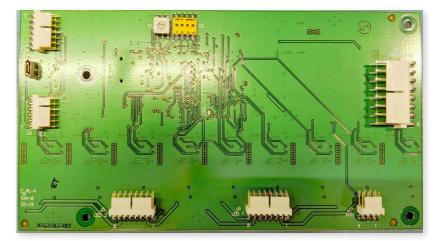
The re-lamping procedure is the same for both the red and white LED modules. The red LED module is located on the back of the optical housing, and the white is located on the top.

- 1. Turn off the system and disconnect from power.
- 2. Remove weather cover on the Light Head Assembly
- 3. Remove the wire to board connectors by gently pulling on the wires.
- 4. Mark the position of the edges of the heat sink relative to the optical head so that the replacement module may be located in the same position.
- 5. Remove the six (6) screws securing the heat sink using a #1 Phillips screwdriver.
- 6. Install the wire to board connector, the connector is keyed to prevent incorrect orientation. During installation, gently apply pressure to the opposite side of the PCB header while inserting the connector from the back side of the heatsink. To ensure the connector is seated properly, apply gentle pressure to the connector housing using a small flat bladed screwdriver until you feel it bottom out after the detent.
- 7. If necessary, the gasket between the optical housing and heat sink may be replaced at this time.
- 8. Place the replacement LED module on the gasket.

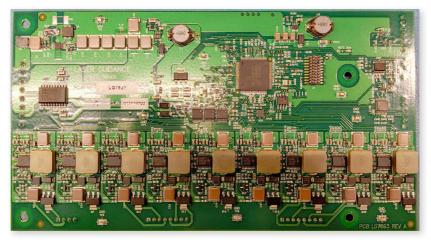
#### 16.4 LHA Driver Board Replacement

The LED driver board is serviced as a complete assembly. When ordering a replacement, please provide the complete AV-PAPI system part number with options codes and serial number so that the correct firmware can be installed before dispatch.

- 1. Ensure there is no power supply to the LHA.
- 2. Disconnect the LHA cable.
- 3. Remove the LHA weather cover.
- 4. Remove the 8 SHCS and flat washers from the perimeter of the top of the aluminum enclosure that is mounted in the rear left side of the LHA base plate. Remove the top cover of the box. Store these eight (8) socket head cap screws, eight (8) flat washers, and the cover in a clean, dry place.
- 5. With a  $\rlap{\sc 4}$  -inch wrench, remove the four (4) nylon insert locknuts that hold the PCB to the standoffs.
- 6. Store the four (4) locknuts in a clean, dry place.
- 7. Mark the Molex connectors to indicate the location and orientation relative to the PCB.
- 8. Carefully lift the circuit board and remove the Molex connectors from the PCB.
- 9. Obtain a replacement LHA power control board from Avlite.
- 10. Insert the Molex connectors in the same location and orientation on the PCB.
- 11. Verify that the Molex connectors are fully engaged to the PCB.
- 12. Carefully install the PCB onto the stand-offs and secure the PCB to the standoffs with the four (4) nylon insert locknuts.
- 13. Install the cover of the box and secure with its SHCS and flat washers.
- 14. Re-install the weather cover.



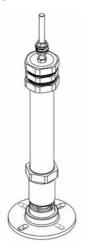
LED Driver Board Front View



LED Driver Board Back View

#### 16.5 Support Strut Assembly Replacement

- 1. Ensure there is no power supply to the LHA.
- 2. Disconnect the LHA cable.
- 3. Loosen and remove the upper jam nuts and spherical washers on each of the 3 legs.
- 4. Place the jam nuts and spherical washers in a clean, dry location.
- 5. Remove the LHA from the legs by lifting upwards.
- 6. Observe the distance from the bottom of the lower jam nut to the top of the support column adapter.
- 7. Remove the damaged leg assembly by rotating the frangible coupling counterclockwise out of the flange using an adjustable wrench on the flats of the frangible coupling near the bottom of the assembly.
- 8. Replace the damaged leg with a new Support Strut Asembly by screwing the Support Strut Assembly into the flange using the adjustable wrench on the flats of the frangible coupling.



Front Support Strut Assembly

- 9. Remove the upper jam nut and spherical washer from the new leg.
- 10. Set the bottom of the lower jam nut at the same distance from the top of the support column adapter as was measured before removing the damaged leg.
- 11. Install the LHA on the three legs.
- 12. Install the upper spherical washers and upper jam nuts on each of the legs.
- 13. Set the alignment of the LHA.



17 - Troubleshooting									
Problem	Possible Cause	Solution							
No light emitted from Local/Radio switch toggle LHA Radio position		Verify that the Local/Radio switch is toggled to the Local position.							
	Infrared/Visible switch toggled to Infrared position.	Verify that the Infrared/Visible switch is toggled to the Visible position.							
	Intensity switches toggled off when the Local/Radio switch is in the Local position.	Verify that at least one intensity switch is toggled to the up position.							
	Break in cabling between the LHA and the junction box.	Check cables using a multi-meter to verify 24 VDC at each junction box.							
	If there is still no light emitting from the LHAs, contact Avlite to speak to a Service technician.								
One LHA does not emit light	Bad cables	<ol> <li>Remove the weather cover. Check all of the connections to the receptacles on the PCB enclosure and verify that they are not loose and that all of the screws are tight.</li> <li>Remove the 8 SHCS and flat washers from the top of the aluminum enclosure that is mounted in the rear of the LHA base plate.</li> <li>Remove the top cover of the box.</li> <li>Store the screws, washers, and cover in a clean, dry place.</li> <li>Use a multi-meter to check all of the connections to the LHA power control board.</li> <li>Replace any defective cables.</li> </ol>							
	Bad connectors	If all of the connections are good, use the multi-meter to check the cable continuity.							
	Bad LHA power control board	If the cable continuity is good, the most likely cause is LHA PCB failure. Replace the PCB in the non-functioning LHA.							

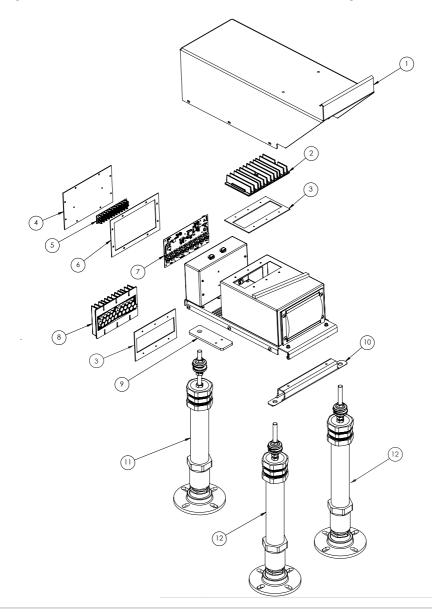
Problem	Possible Cause	Solution			
Non-functioning LHA does not emit white light	Connector	<ol> <li>Remove the weather cover.</li> <li>Verify that the connector to the non- functioning White LED Array is properly connected.</li> </ol>			
	White LED Array PCB	If the connector is properly connected, and the issue still persists, replace the White LED Array PCB.			
	LHA PCB	If the LHA still does not emit white light, replace any of the LHA PCB.			
White LED Array (one side)	Connector	Check the connector to the non-functioning side and verify that it is properly connected.			
	White LED Array PCB	If the cable is properly connected, and the problem still persists, replace the White LED Array PCB.			
	LHA PCB	If the issue still persists after replacing the White LED Array PCB, replace the LHA PCB.			
Red LED Array	Connector	<ol> <li>Remove the weather cover.</li> <li>Verify that the connector to the non- functioning Red LED Array is properly connected.</li> </ol>			
	Red LED Array PCB	If the connector is properly connected, and the issue still persists, replace the Red LED Array PCB.			
	LHA PCB	If the issue still persists after replacing the Red LED Array PCB, replace the LHA PCB.			
Red LED Array (one side)	Connector	Check the connector to the non-functioning side and verify that it is properly connected.			
	Red LED Array PCB	If the cable is properly connected and the problem still persists, replace the Red LED Array PCB.			
	LHA PCB	If the Red LED Array PCB has been replaced and the issue still persists, replace the LHA PCB.			



## 18 - Replacement Parts

Please call a local Avlite distributor if replacement parts are required. Perform parts replacement in a clean, dry environment whenever possible.

For greatest safety, it is recommended that all power be disconnected along with the LHA cable.



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Parts List										
Find No.	Part Name	Part Rating	Length (in.)	Width (in.)	Height (in.)	Manufacturer	Part No.			
1	Weather Cover Assembly, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	24.5	9	10	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7179*			
2	Heatsink Assembly, LED Array, White, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	7	4.15	1.13	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7186			
3	Gasket, Heatsink, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	7	4.15	0.093	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7751			
4	Cover, Control Box, Electrical Components, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	8.21	5.25	0.09	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7183			
5	Terminal Block, 10 Circuit	-35°C to 55°C 300V AC/DC, 20 A	5.13	1.13	0.53	Marathon Special Products	671 RZ 10			
6	Gasket, Control Box, Electrical Components, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	8.21	5.25	0.06	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7184			
7	PCB Assembly, PAPI Series III Driver	-35°C to 55°C	7.5	4	0.7	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7944			
8	Heatsink Assembly, LED Array, Red, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	7	4.15	1.13	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7185			
9	Mounting Bar, Rear, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	5.81	2	0.25	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7191			
10	Mounting Bar, Front, PAPI Series III	-35°C to 55°C	12.75	1.25	1.25	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG7902			
11	Rear Support Strut Assembly, PAPI, Fixed Mount	-35°C to 55°C	22.04	6.25	6.25	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG6777			
12	Front Support Strut Assembly, PAPI, Fixed Mount	-35°C to 55°C	23.29	6.25	6.25	Avlite Systems	AV-SP-LG6776			
-	Frangible Coupling 2" Thread For 2" EMT	-35°C to 55°C	5.37	3.05	2.71	Airport Lighting Company	#59-E			
-	CCR Sensing Interface Board	-35°C to 55°C	5.68	2.70	1.04	Avlite Systems	AV-PAPI-66-IB			
-	Current Sensor, Potted	-35°C to 55°C	5.13	4.17	1.68	Avlite Systems	AV-PAPI-66-CSP			

\*Note: Specify color when ordering.



## 19 - Warranty

Refer to Avlite website: www.avlite.com

## 20 - Customer Feedback

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