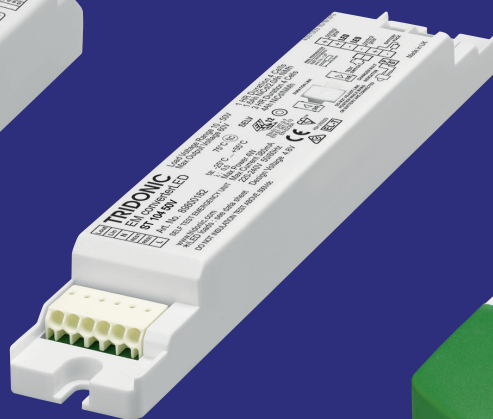


LED Solutions for Emergency Lighting

Functional Description

SELFTEST Emergency Devices

Manual



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Functions in emergency operation

3. Functions in emergency operation

Overview of the main functions in emergency operation:

Area	Function	
Test function, p. 10	Automatic function and duration test	Test activation via selftest
	Function test (interval)	weekly
	Duration test (interval)	annual
Rated duration	Adjustable to 1, 2 or 3 hours ⁽¹⁾	✓
	Adjustable on the device via DIP switch	✓
Status display	Via two-colour indicator LED, p. 8	✓
Battery charge system	Intelligent multilevel charging system, p. 4	✓
Adjustable output current in emergency operation	Automatic adjustment by device	✓
Commissioning	Automatic	✓
Rest mode, Inhibit mode and Relight command, p. 4	Activation	Activation via DC pulse

⁽¹⁾ Special case: 2-hours rated duration

The first duration test will take 120 minutes, following duration tests are rated with 90 minutes. If the battery is disconnected or replaced, the next duration test will again be rated with 120 minutes.

Intelligent multilevel charging system

Intelligent multilevel charging system

The multilevel charging system is used for minimising charging times while maximising battery life. During normal functional mains operation the module charges the batteries using a specially developed charging algorithm.

- _ Initial charge mode:
20 hours of high charging current at the start to prepare the new battery cells and fully charge them.
- _ Trickle charge mode:
Continuous low charge to maintain battery output and reduce battery temperature.
- _ Fast charge mode:
Automatic adjustment of the charge time ensures minimal overcharging:
 - _ 10 or 15 hours of rapid charge after a full discharge.
 - _ Shorter charge time after only a partial discharge.

When the permanent power supply is switched on for the first time the EM powerLED ST FX starts to charge the batteries for 20 hours in fast charge mode. This 20-hour preparatory charge ensures that the new batteries are completely charged before being used. The 20-hour recharge is also used if a new battery is connected or if the device leaves the Rest mode (see [Rest mode](#), [Inhibit mode and Relight command](#), p. 4).

At the end of the 20-hour charge the module automatically switches to trickle charge mode. This ensures that the batteries remain at optimum charge levels and avoids any overheating due to overcharging.

- _ batteries are charged with a constant charging current in trickle charge mode

After a power outage and subsequent emergency mode the EM powerLED ST FX recharges the batteries in fast charge mode. However, the charge time is set so that only the power consumed during emergency mode is replaced. If emergency mode did not last as long as the prescribed operating time the charging time will be reduced. If emergency mode extended for the full operating time the charging time will be 10 hours for modules with an operating time of 1 hour, and 15 hours for modules with an operating time of 2 and 3 hours. Once the batteries are fully charged again the module automatically switches to trickle charge mode.

In trickle charge mode the battery status is continually monitored to ensure that the charging currents and battery voltages remain within the specified limits. If these limits are exceeded error status flags are set for monitoring with the aid of a suitable control system. The status LED also shows such faults locally.

If a duration test is required while the battery is not yet fully charged the test will be postponed until charging is complete. This prevents a duration test from being carried out with a battery that is not fully charged.

NOTICE

A partially charged battery is defined as one for which the charger is operating in fast charge mode.
A fully charged battery is defined as one for which the charger is operating in trickle charge mode.

If the power supply fails during rapid charging the module will power the lamp immediately in emergency mode for as long as the charge in the batteries will allow.

Rest mode and Relight function

Rest mode, Inhibit mode and Relight command

Emergency operation is automatically started when the mains supply is switched off. If the Rest mode is activated, the discharging of the battery will be minimized by switching off the LED output.

Rest mode can be used during short periods of time (max. 21 days) when a building is completely unoccupied and the mains supply is to be switched off intentionally, for example during a holiday period. Using Rest mode prevents a full discharge and possible damages to the batteries during these times.

Rest mode has to be activated by a competent person. Activation is only possible after the mains supply has been switched off. Contrary to this, if the Inhibit mode has been activated in advance, Rest mode will be automatically switched on if the mains supply is switched off.

By sending the Relight command both modes, Rest mode and Inhibit mode, will be deactivated. The emergency unit will switch back to the previous operating mode. If it has been in Rest mode, it will switch back to emergency mode, if it has been in Inhibit mode, it will switch back to charging mode

For all the different changes, activating Rest mode and Inhibit mode and sending the Relight command, DC voltage pulses of different lengths are used. The table at [Switching between operating modes](#), p. 7 gives an overview of all the operating modes.

CAUTION!

Even in Rest mode there is self discharge current and an extremely small level of discharge current flowing from the batteries. If the batteries remain in Rest mode for prolonged periods of time this can lead to deep discharge and potential damage.

3. Activate Rest mode

Rest mode is activated as follows:

- _ Disconnect power supply
- _ Apply DC voltage pulse at the two terminal points "REST/L" and "REST/N"
 - _ The signal must have an amplitude of 9.5 - 22.5 V with a pulse length of 150 - 1,000 ms
 - _ The polarity of the voltage pulse does not matter

NOTICE

Rest mode cannot be activated as long as the power supply hasn't been disconnected.

The maximum number of emergency units on one bus is 100 pieces with a maximum recommended cable length of 1,000 metres.

Rest mode voltage can be applied across all emergency modules (parallel connection).

4. Deactivate Rest mode via Relight command

By sending the Relight command the Rest mode is deactivated. The emergency unit will switch back to emergency mode.

To deactivate Rest mode via Relight command, proceed as follows:

Rest mode and Relight function

- _ Apply DC voltage pulse at the two terminal points "REST/L" and "REST/N"
 - _ The signal must have an amplitude of 9.5 - 22.5 V with a pulse length of 1,001 - 2,000 ms
 - _ The polarity of the voltage pulse does not matter

NOTICE

Reapply the power supply does also deactivate Rest mode. In this case, the device switches from Rest mode to charge mode.

5. Activate Inhibit mode

Inhibit mode is activated as follows:

- _ Make sure that the mains supply is switched on
- _ Apply DC voltage pulse at the two terminal points "REST/L" and "REST/N"
 - _ The signal must have an amplitude of 9.5 - 22.5 V with a pulse length of 150 - 1,000 ms
 - _ The polarity of the voltage pulse does not matter
- > Emergency unit switches to Inhibit mode
- > Inhibit mode is active for a duration of 15 minutes
- > Inhibit mode is indicated by indicator LED (double pulsing GREEN)

For further information see [Indicator LED](#), p. 8.

NOTICE

The inhibit mode must be activated before the mains supply is switched off.

6. Automatically switch from Inhibit mode to Rest mode

The emergency unit automatically switches from Inhibit mode to Rest mode if the following conditions are met:

- _ Inhibit mode has been activated -and-
- _ Within 15 minutes after activation, the mains supply is switched off

7. Automatically deactivate Inhibit mode

Inhibit mode is automatically deactivated and the emergency unit switches back to charging mode if the following conditions are met:

- _ Within 15 minutes after activation, the mains supply is **not** switched off

Rest mode and Relight function

8. Deactivate Inhibit mode via Relight command

By sending the Relight command the Inhibit mode is deactivated. The emergency unit will switch back to charging mode.

To deactivate Inhibit mode via Relight command, proceed as follows:

- _ Apply DC voltage pulse at the two terminal points "REST/L" and "REST/N"
 - _ The signal must have an amplitude of 9.5 - 22.5 V with a pulse length of 1,001 - 2,000 ms
 - _ The polarity of the voltage pulse does not matter

9. Switching between operating modes

The device has four different operating modes (Standby/Charge mode, Emergency mode, Rest mode and Inhibit mode).

Depending on the initial mode and the length of the applied DC voltage pulse the device switches between these operating modes. The following table gives an overview:

Applied pulse length	Charging mode	Emergency mode	Rest mode	Inhibit mode
150 - 1,000 ms	Switches to Inhibit mode	Switches to Rest mode	-	-
1,001 - 2,000 ms (Relight command)	-	-	Switches to Emergency mode	Switches to charging mode

10. Extended rest mode

Extension of the Rest mode by up to 3 months for emergency light drivers in combination with LiFePO4 batteries. The requirement of 50 % of the operating time in accordance with the IEC/EN 61347-2-7 standard is always met. When Rest mode is activated, the battery will not be damaged for the next 3 months and the capacity of 50 % of the operating time in accordance with the IEC 61347-2-7 standard will be retained.

This period consists of 21 days in Rest mode followed by Quiescent mode. In Quiescent mode the battery is safe, however the times in Quiescent mode are not recorded in the emergency light driver memory.

After the 3-month period in Rest mode, it is necessary to manually carry out a duration test for SELFTEST devices, no later than 12 months after the last duration test. Otherwise, the next automatic duration test would be carried out 15 months minus 21 days (i.e. approximately 14 months and 10 days) after the last duration test. The reason for this is that the times in Quiescent mode are not logged in the emergency driver. The time period in Quiescent mode would therefore not be recorded with a SELFTEST device and would lead to exceeding the time period until the next operating duration test.

According to the standard, an annual duration test is required. As usual, the emergency light driver exits Rest mode after the mains voltage has been restored.

Indicator LED

Indicator LED

System status is locally indicated by a bi-colour indicator LED.

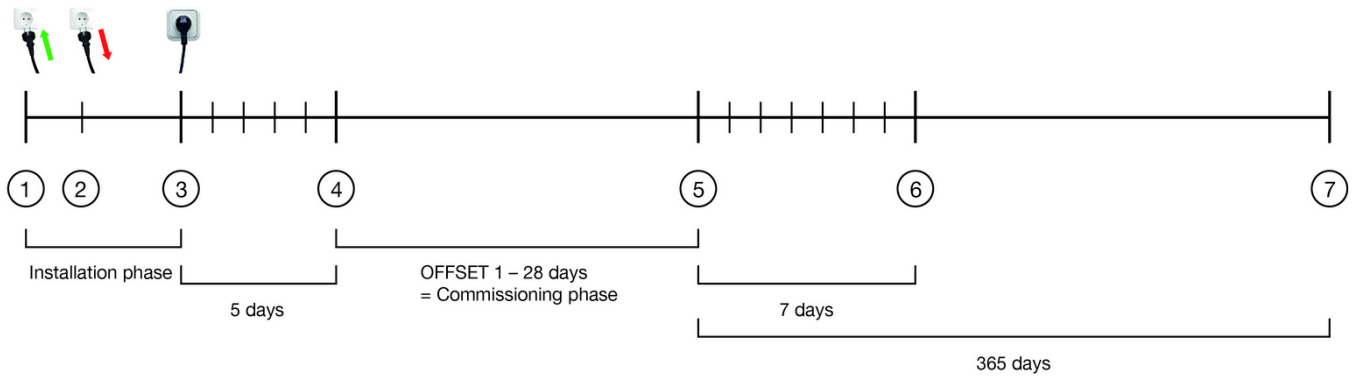
LED indication	Status	Description
Permanent GREEN	Standby, System OK	Mains operation, battery is charged
Fast flashing GREEN (0,1 s on - 0,1 s off)	Function test underway	
Slow flashing GREEN (1 s on - 1 s off)	Duration test underway	
Double pulsing GREEN	Inhibit mode is activated	<p>The Inhibit mode makes it possible to set the emergency mode to "inhibited"; in this mode, the power can be turned off without switching to emergency mode.</p> <p>The Inhibit mode is activated by sending the inhibit signal, while the modules are still connected to mains. Just as in Rest mode, the device supports the Relight functions. After a break of 15 minutes, the inhibit mode is automatically reset.</p>
Permanent RED	Lamp failure	<p>Open circuit -or- Short circuit -or- LED failure</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #00aaff; border-radius: 10px; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>i NOTICE</p> <p>After an exchange of the LED module, the indicator LED remains permanent RED. The lamp failure indication remains set until a function test has been successfully completed (automatically with the weekly function test or immediately by briefly interrupting the power supply or by manually starting the function test with a test switch (see Starting the function test, p. 14)).</p> <p>The LED module's mains operation does not reset the lamp failure indication.</p> </div>
Fast flashing RED (0,1 s on - 0,1 s off)	Charging failure -or- device failure	<p>Incorrect charging current</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #00aaff; border-radius: 10px; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>i NOTICE</p> <p>While the battery is in trickle charge mode and the mains supply is connected, the micro controller in the emergency unit monitors the charging parameters. If an error is detected or a parameter is out of tolerance, the indicator LED switches to fast flashing RED. If the error has been corrected, the indicator LED immediately switches back to GREEN and continues the charging operation of the battery.</p> </div>

Indicator LED

<p>Slow flashing RED (1 s on - 1 s off)</p>	<p>Battery failure</p>	<p>Battery failed duration test or function test -or- Battery is defect -or- Incorrect battery voltage</p> <div data-bbox="655 394 1474 739" style="border: 1px solid #00aaff; border-radius: 10px; padding: 10px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>i NOTICE</p> <p>Battery failed duration test or function test:</p> <p>If the battery does not reach full operating time, the indicator LED is slow flashing RED.</p> <p>After an exchange of the battery the indicator LED switches to GREEN.</p> <p>To guarantee a satisfactory operating time, the battery is then charged for 20 hours and a second duration test is carried out.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="655 786 1474 1171" style="border: 1px solid #00aaff; border-radius: 10px; padding: 10px;"> <p>i NOTICE</p> <p>Battery is defect or incorrect battery voltage:</p> <p>While the battery is in trickle charge mode and the mains supply is connected, the micro controller in the emergency unit monitors the condition of the battery. If an error is detected , the indicator LED switches to RED. If the error has been corrected, the indicator LED immediately switches back to GREEN and continues the charging operation of the battery.</p> </div>
<p>GREEN and RED off</p>	<p>Battery operation</p>	<p>Emergency mode: Mains disconnected -or- mains failure</p>

Settings for emergency tests

4. Settings for Emergency tests



Annotation:

- (1) First connection to the power supply
- (2) Phase, in which the power supply is switched on and off (possibly numerous times)
- (3) Phase, in which the power supply is "permanently" connected (no interruption for at least 5 days)
- (4) Delaying the commissioning test for 1-28 day
- (5) Commissioning test begins
- (6) First function test
- (7) First duration test

Settings for emergency tests

Test times and test intervals

Devices of the EM powerLED ST FX series are tested via selftest function. The following table gives an overview of the parameters:

Test trigger	Test times	Test intervals
Test triggered by emergency lighting unit	<p>There are two variants for setting the test time. In some cases different rules apply for the setting of the day and the time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _ Automatic setting of the function test: The time of the function test is the same as the time when the device was first connected to the power supply (see (1) in above diagram), the day of the function test is the same as the day when the commissioning test was carried out (see (5) in above diagram and Commissioning test, p. 11). _ Automatic setting of the duration test: The time of the duration test is set by the Adaptive test mode, p. 13, the day of the duration test is the same as the day when the commissioning test was carried out (see (5) in above diagram and Commissioning test, p. 11). _ Manual setting of the test time and the test day for a single luminaire via test switch (see Setting the test time for one luminaire, p. 14). _ Manual setting of the test time and the test day for all the luminaires in an emergency lighting circuit by switching the power supply on and off (see Setting the test time for all the luminaires in an emergency lighting circuit, p. 15). <p>To prevent that the emergency lighting tests of all luminaires are carried out at the same time, each luminaire has a pre-programmed code which delays the test time for a specified time (see Commissioning test, p. 11).</p>	<p>Test time intervals between the tests are fixed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _ Function test: weekly _ Duration test: annual

Commissioning test

The commissioning test is a first duration test. The relevant standard (IEC 62034: Automatic test systems for battery powered emergency escape lighting) requires that such a test is carried out after the installation.

The commissioning test is often made more difficult because the power supply is switched on and off during the installation phase. This is the case, for example, if the site is powered off at night for security reasons. To address this problem, the EM powerLED ST FX monitors the power supply and will only start with the commissioning test if the power supply hasn't been interrupted for 5 days.

To prevent that all the luminaires perform the emergency test at the same time, each luminaire has a pre-programmed code with a value of 1-28, which delays the test time of that luminaire for a specified time.

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Settings for emergency tests

Devices with code 1 will be tested one day after the completion of the 5 day long monitoring of the power supply (that is 6 days after the uninterrupted connection to the supply).

- _ Devices with code 2 will be tested two days after the completion of the 5 day long monitoring of the power supply (that is 7 days after the uninterrupted connection to the supply).
- _ Devices with higher code numbers will be tested with a delay that corresponds to that code number.

28 days after the start of the commissioning all devices will have completed the required commissioning test.

The day of the commissioning test serves as a reference point for all further function and duration tests (see [Test times and test intervals](#), p. 11).

Function tests will be performed on the same day in a weekly interval, duration tests will be performed on the same day in an annual interval.

Weekly function test

The 5 second long, weekly function test serves to check the functionality of the emergency unit, the batteries and the LED module.

The first function test after the commissioning test would normally take place one week after the start of the commissioning test. In the actual implementation of this and all further functional tests two aspects must be considered, however:

- _ To prevent that people are on the site and are disturbed by the test, the start of the function test is delayed until the switched phase is switched off.
 - _ If this is the case, the function test will be carried out 10 seconds later.
 - _ If this is not the case, because the switched phase remains permanently switched on, the function test will be carried out exactly 24 hours later, regardless of whether the switched phase is then turned off or not.

i NOTICE

While waiting for the switched phase to be switched off (which can take up to 24 hours), the indicator LED shows that the test has not been carried out satisfactorily (fast blinking GREEN).

- _ If the function test detects a battery failure and the battery was not fully charged at the test time, the device returns to charging mode and starts the function test a second time once the battery is fully charged.

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In this case (battery failure and battery not fully charged), the indicator LED does not show an error.

During the charging of the battery, the indicator LED shows that the function test is continuing in the background (fast flashing GREEN).

If the charging of the battery is completed and a function test has been carried out but the status still doesn't change, the indicator LED shows a battery failure (slow flashing RED).

Settings for emergency tests

NOTICE

If the power supply is interrupted, the information in the EM powerLED ST FX is stored for at least one week. If the power supply is interrupted for more than one week, the EM powerLED ST FX will perform another commissioning test when the power supply returns (after 20 hours initial charge mode).

NOTICE

If the power supply is interrupted during battery replacement, the EM powerLED ST FX loses its memory contents. When the power supply returns, the EM powerLED ST FX will charge the battery for 20 hours and then perform a commissioning test.

Annual duration test

The annual duration test checks whether the batteries are able to ensure the required operating time of 1, 2 or 3 hours.

The first duration test after the commissioning test would normally take place exactly one year after the start of the commissioning test.

In the actual implementation of this and all further duration tests two aspects must be considered, however:

- _ To prevent that the duration test is carried out at a time of maximum hazard or highest presence density, the device automatically uses the [adaptive test mode](#), p. 13 to determine a suitable test time.
- _ Furthermore, the test time can be set manually (see [Functionality of the test switch](#), p. 14).

NOTICE

If the power supply is interrupted during battery replacement, the EM powerLED ST FX loses its memory contents. When the power supply returns, the EM powerLED ST FX will perform another commissioning test (after 20 hours initial charge mode).

Adaptive test mode

Adaptive test mode sets the time for the duration test to a time of minimum risk and minimum presence.

This is achieved by monitoring the switched phase of the lighting. This tells the emergency lighting unit which times the lighting is switched off (i.e. no one is in the room) and the unit stores these times. If non-presence of more than five hours is detected the start time for the duration test is set to two hours after the start of the non-presence time.

Example:

A room is not used between 8 pm and 6 am. The lights are switched off. The duration test will therefore begin at 10 pm. This provides a certain buffer before the start and after the end of the duration test, and the batteries can be recharged after the duration test before the room is in use again.

Room usage is monitored on a monthly basis and the time for the duration test is constantly adjusted. This allows for seasonality in room usage to be taken into account.

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If a suitable time cannot be found (perhaps because the room is in use round the clock) the duration test is performed at the time set during startup (this is the time when the emergency lighting unit was first connected to the power supply). If subsequently a suitable period is found the time for the duration life test will be suitably adapted.

If none of this is successful because the startup time is unsuitable and no other suitable period can be found, the time for the duration test can be set manually (see [Setting the test time](#), p. 14).

Functionality of the test switch

The optional test switch enables you to make a series of settings manually.

i NOTICE

The test switch can remain permanently connected and used as a startup tool.

7. Starting the function test

- _ A short press on the button (0.15 - 1 s) starts a function test lasting 5 seconds.
 - > The indicator LED flashes GREEN.
 - > The result of the function test is displayed on the two-colour indicator LED.

8. Starting the test mode

- _ A longer press on the button (1 - 10 s) switches the light source to emergency mode but does not perform a time controlled function test.
 - > On release of the button the emergency units switch back to charge mode.
 - > The indicator LED goes off for 1 second and then on for the rest of the time (maximum of 9 seconds).

9. Setting the test time

The time and day for the function and duration test is stored in the internal timer. To change the test time, the timer needs to be reset. The previously stored test time will be deleted and replaced by the time of resetting.

i NOTICE

Resetting the timer deactivates the [adaptive test mode](#), p. 13. Because of this, the test time is no longer adapted to the room usage of the building. The function test and duration test is always carried out at the newly set test time.

The timer can be reset for one luminaire or for multiple luminaires:

9.1. Setting the test time for one luminaire

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Determining light output in emergency operation

Holding down the button (> 10 s) resets the timer.

-> The indicator LED goes off for 1 second and then shows GREEN and goes off again after 10 seconds.

-> By going off after 10 seconds the indicator LED confirms that the timer has been successfully reset (to the current time).

9.2. Setting the test time for all the luminaires in an emergency lighting circuit

- _ If the unswitched power supply of an emergency lighting circuit is switched on and off 5 times within 60 seconds, the timers for all the emergency units in the emergency lighting circuit is reset (to the current time).

5. Determining light output in emergency operation

To determine the light output in emergency operation the following parameters are crucial:

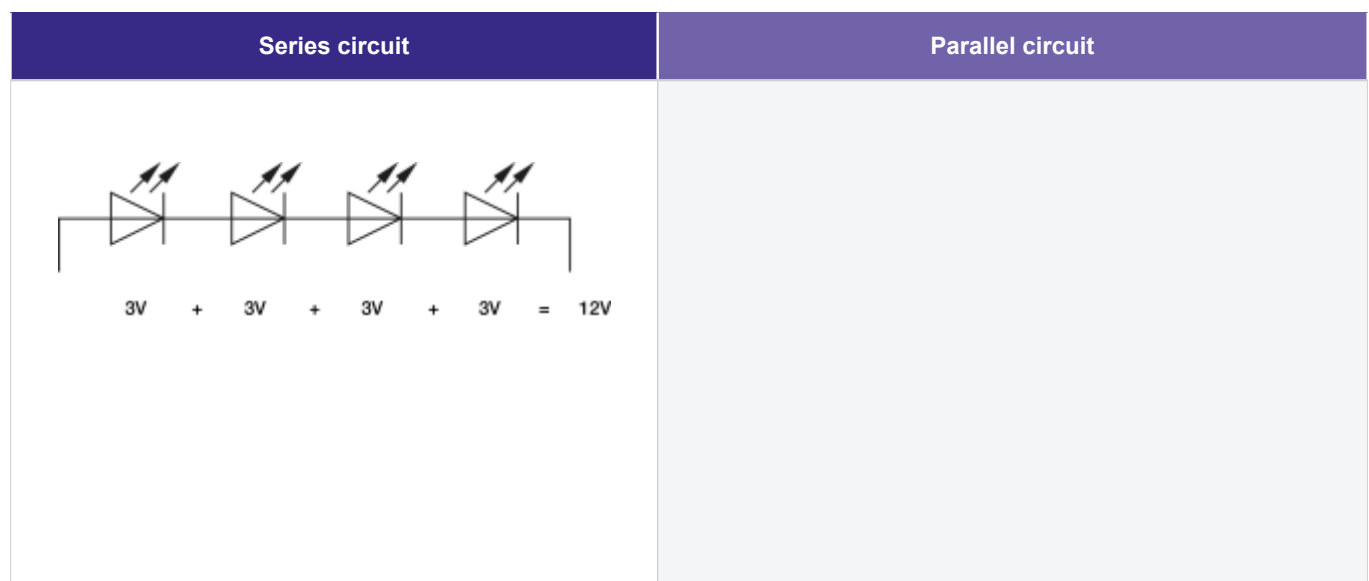
1. LED forward voltage (total forward voltage of all connected LED modules)
2. LED current in emergency operation
3. Light output in emergency operation

Parameter 1: LED forward voltage

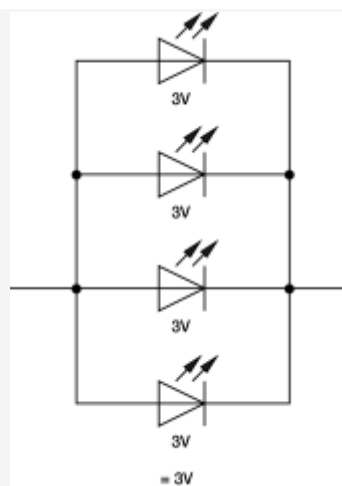
- _ The total forward voltage of all connected LED modules must be within the forward voltage range of the EM converterLED ST

2. Total forward voltage of all LED modules

The forward voltage of a single LED module can be found in the data sheet. When calculating the total forward voltage of all LED modules, series and parallel circuits must be handled differently:



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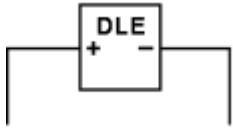


The values of the individual LED modules are summed up.

The total value is the same as the value of a single LED module.

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3. Example 1: 1 LED module DLE



3.1. Given:

- _ Forward voltage DLE: 24.2 V (taken from data sheet)

3.2. Wanted:

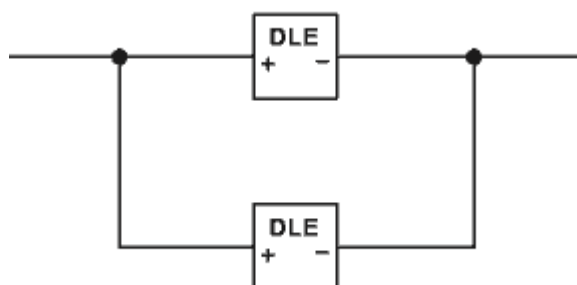
- _ Total forward voltage of all LED modules in emergency operation

3.3. Result:

- _ The total forward voltage of all LED modules is 24.2 V because there is only 1 LED module.

Determining light output in emergency operation

4. Example 2: 2 LED module DLE in parallel



4.4. Given:

- _ Forward voltage DLE: 24.2 V (taken from data sheet)

4.5. Wanted:

- _ Total forward voltage of all LED modules?

4.6. Result:

- _ The total forward voltage of all LED modules is 24.2 V (no addition of the values in a parallel circuit).

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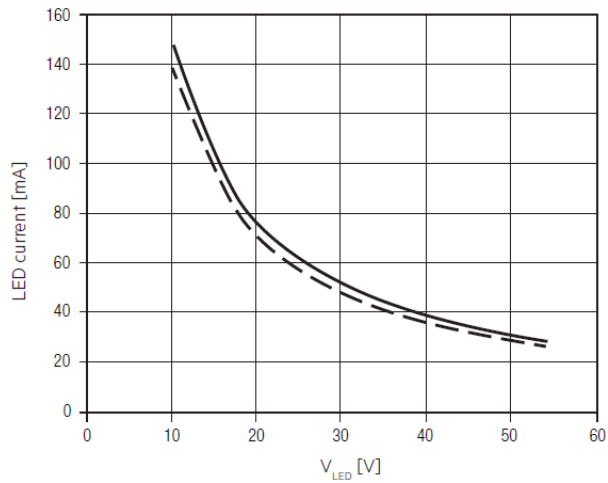
As Example 2 shows, parallel circuits make it possible to use multiple LED modules where the forward voltage does not add up.

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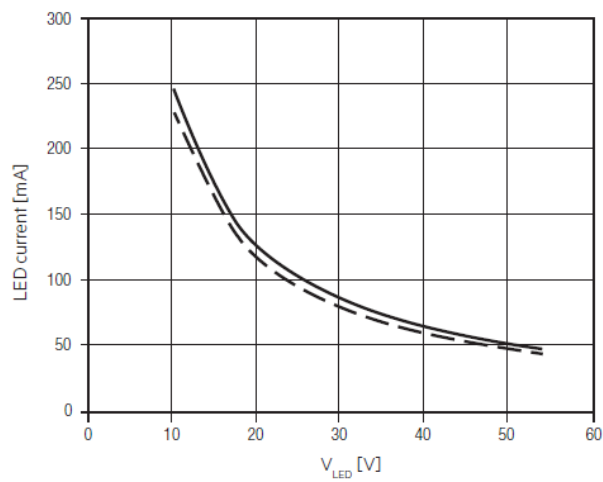
Parameter 2: LED current

Each EM converterLED ST has a specific current/voltage characteristic. The corresponding current/voltage curve can be found in the datasheet:

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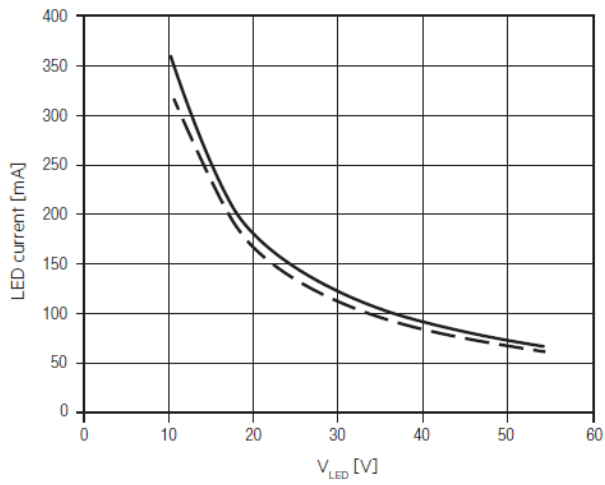


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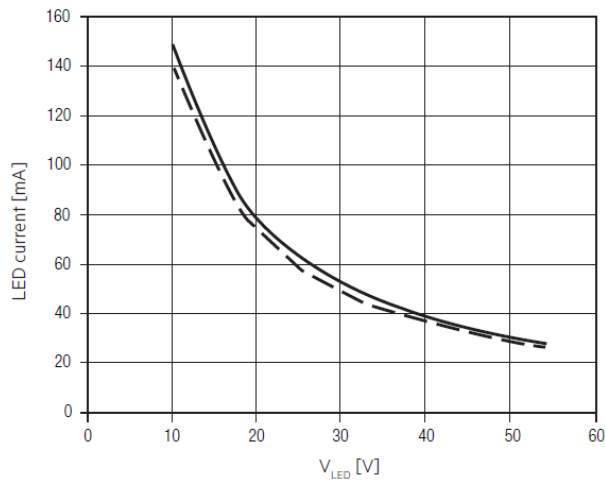


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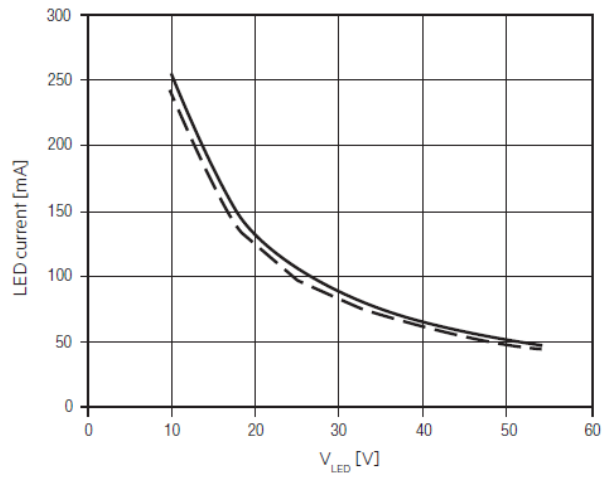


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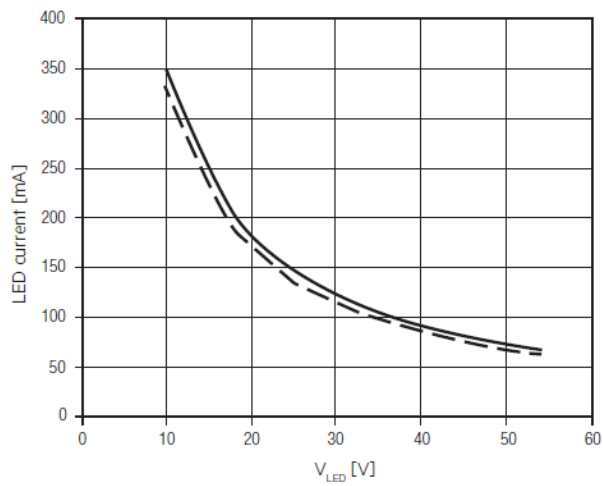


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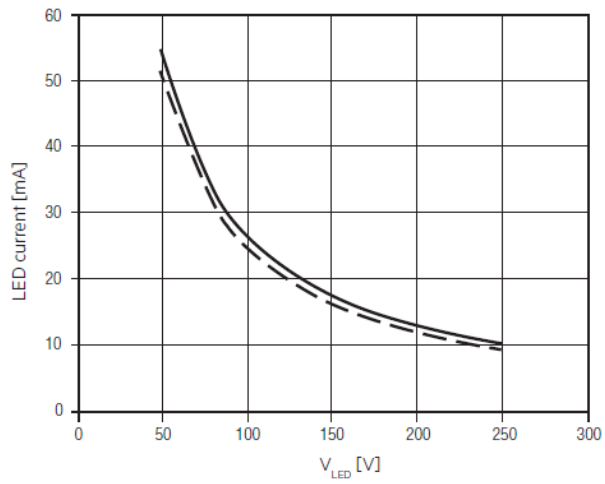


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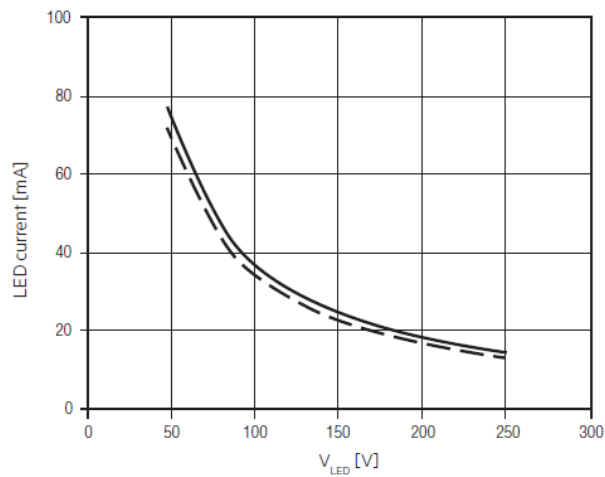


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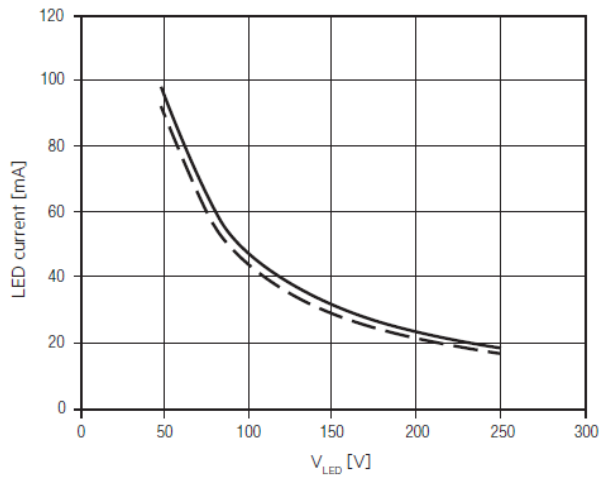


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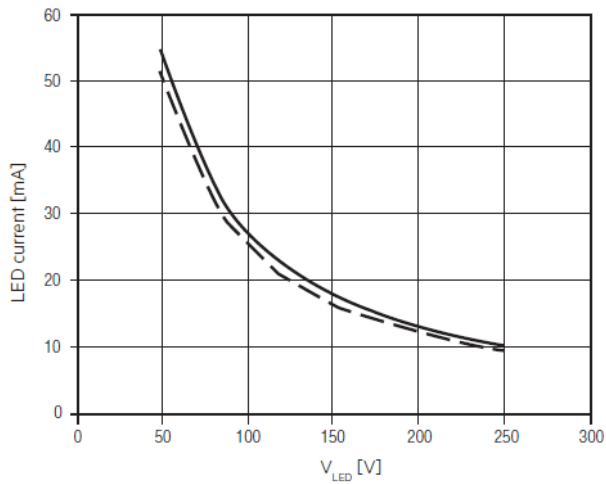


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EM converterLED ST 205 NiCd/NiMH 250V: 48-250V

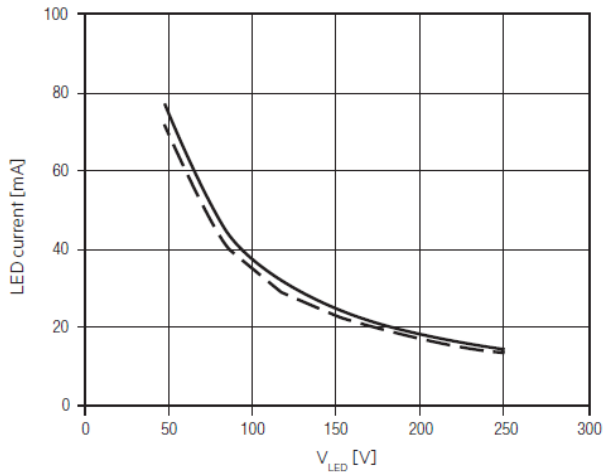


EM converterLED ST 203 MH/LiFePO4 250V: 50-250V

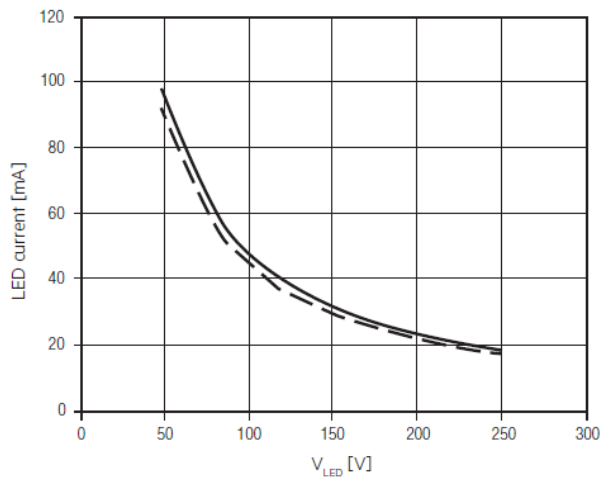


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EM converterLED ST 204 MH/LiFePO4 250V: 50-250V



EM converterLED ST 205 MH/LiFePO4 250V: 50-250V



LED current at nominal battery voltage and min. battery discharge current



LED current at nominal battery voltage and max. battery discharge current

Knowing the total forward voltage of all LED modules, the value for the LED current can be read from the current/voltage curve:

- _ Mark the value of the total forward voltage of all LED modules on the x-axis of the graph
- _ From that point move up vertically
- > The crossing points with the two curves define a range of values.

The value of the LED current lies within this range. The effective value depends on tolerances.

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6. Example 1: 1 LED module DLE

6.1. Given:

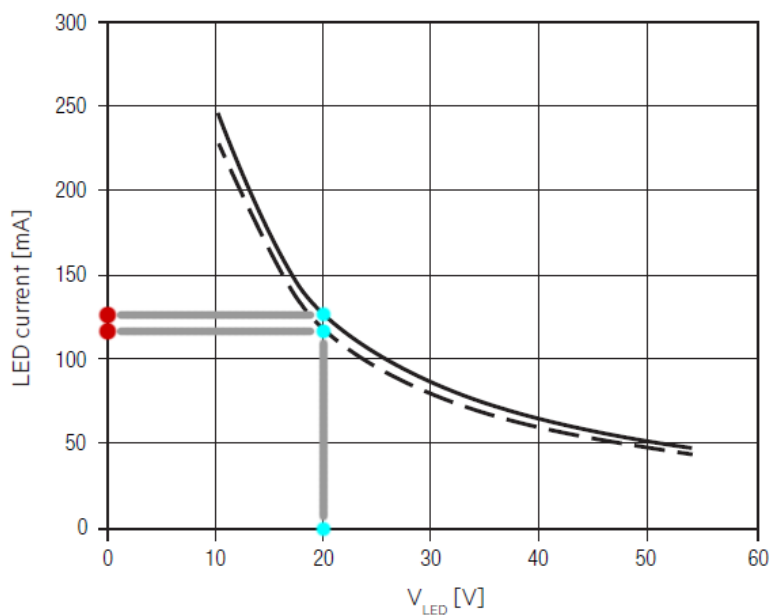
- _ Total forward voltage of all LED modules: 20 V (calculated before)

6.2. Wanted:

- _ LED current?

6.3. Result:

Figure: Determining LED current for EM converter LED ST 203 NiCd/NiMH 50V



- _ The two crossing points are at around 120 mA (minimum value) and 130 mA (maximum value).
- _ The effective value of the LED current is between these two values.

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Parameter 3: Light output in emergency operation

The ratio between emergency operation and normal operation is the same for light output and LED current. The values for normal operation can be found in the LED module data sheet, the value for the LED current in emergency operation can be found in the data sheet (see example above).

$$\frac{\text{light output in emergency operation}}{\text{light output in mains operation}} = \frac{\text{LED current in emergency operation}}{\text{LED current in mains operation}}$$

With this equation the light output in emergency operation can be isolated and calculated:

$$\text{light output in emergency operation} = \frac{\text{LED current in emergency operation}}{\text{LED current in mains operation}} \times \text{light output in mains operation}$$

8. Example 1: 1 LED module DLE

8.1. Given:

- _ LED current in emergency operation: approx. 65 mA (minimum value) and approx. 75 mA (maximum value) (taken from the previous example, see [Example 1: 1 LED module DLE](#), p. 24)
- _ LED current in mains operation 400 mA (taken from data sheet TW DLE G2 60mm 3000lm 927-965 ArtikelNr.: 89603439)
- _ Light output in mains operation: 2,080 lm (taken from data sheet DLE G3 2000 lm, Article number: 89600574)

8.2. Wanted:

- _ Light output in emergency operation?

8.3. Result:#

- _ Minimum light output in emergency operation = 65 mA / 400 mA * 2,080 lm = 338 lm
- _ Maximum light output in emergency operation = 75 mA / 400 mA * 2,080 = 390 lm

i NOTICE

The Webtool "EM converterLED current calculator" automatically calculates the current and luminous flux and helps with choosing the correct EM converterLED for individual applications. The tool is accessible on: <http://www.tridonic.com/download/emergency/>

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⚠ CAUTION!

Please note:

The following description and calculation is only valid for the EXC and ADV layers of LLE FLEX but **not** for the SNC layer.

This is because the layers differ in how the current is limited:

- _ EXC and ADV use an integrated circuit
- _ SNC uses an ohmic resistor.

This leads to compatibility problems with the EM converterLED (open circuit shutdown responds).

6. EM converterLED with LLE FLEX constant voltage LED loads - Calculating the minimum length of LLE FLEX

Introduction

The EM converterLED is a constant current emergency LED Driver.

Within certain limitations, it can also be used to operate constant voltage LED loads of the Tridonic LLE FLEX product range.

To ensure a correct operation, the LLE FLEX must have a certain minimum length.

The following guide explains how the minimum length can be calculated for the following devices as an example:

- _ Emergency LED Driver: https://www.tridonic.com/com/en/download/data_sheets/EM_converterLED_BASIC_MH_LiFePO4_50V_en.pdf -and-
- _ LLE FLEX tape: https://www.tridonic.com/com/en/download/data_sheets/Module_LLE_FLEX_8mm_EXC3_en.pdf

The calculation contains numerous steps.

Maximum emergency output current of EM converterLED at 24V

The chosen LLE FLEX 8mm EXC3 tape is a "dimmable 24 V constant voltage LED flextape (SELV)".

This information can be found in the data sheet https://www.tridonic.com/com/en/download/data_sheets/Module_LLE_FLEX_8mm_EXC3_en.pdf at chapter "product description".

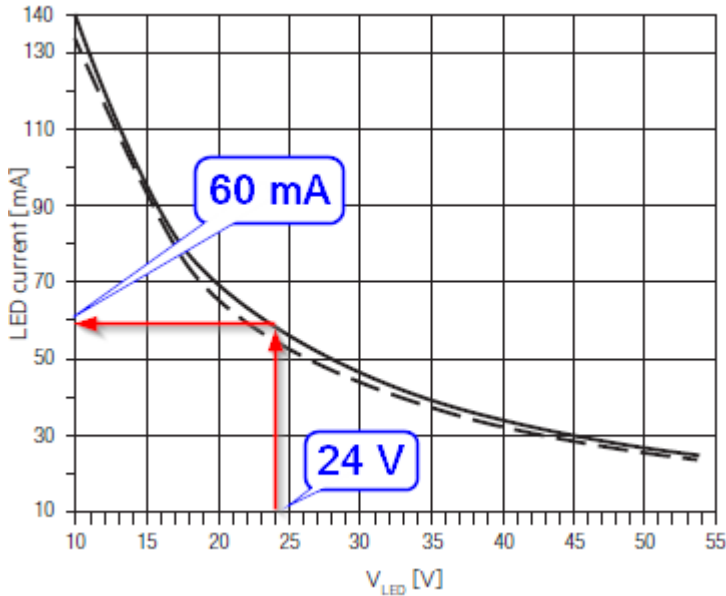
This value of 24 V defines the maximum output voltage of the used EM converterLED https://www.tridonic.com/com/en/download/data_sheets/EM_converterLED_BASIC_MH_LiFePO4_50V_en.pdf

To find the corresponding maximum current of the EM converterLED, proceed as follows:

- _ go to graph at "Typ. LED current/voltage characteristics"

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- _ mark 24 V forward voltage on the x axis
- _ move upwards to reach intersection with the upper current curve (with the higher current value)
- _ move to the left until you reach intersection point with current axis
- Result: approx. 60 mA



Current per meter

- _ current per meter can be taken from data sheet https://www.tridonic.com/en/download/data_sheets/Module_LLE_FLEX_8mm_EXC3_en.pdf at table "Specific technical data"
- Result: 222 mA/m

Specific technical data

Type	Photometric code	Typ. luminous flux at tp = 25 °C ^①	Typ. luminous flux at tp = 65 °C ^②	Typ. current consumption at tp = 65 °C ^②	Typ. power consumption at tp = 65 °C ^②	Efficacy of the module at tp = 25 °C	Efficacy of the module at tp = 65 °C
5,000 mm reel							
LLE FLEX 8x5000 5W-600lm/m 927 EXC3	927/359	690 lm/m	615 lm/m	222 mA/m	5.3 W/m	124 lm/W	115 lm/W
LLE FLEX 8x5000 5W-600lm/m 930 EXC3	930/359	705 lm/m	630 lm/m	222 mA/m	5.3 W/m	127 lm/W	118 lm/W
LLE FLEX 8x5000 5W-600lm/m 940 EXC3	940/359	670 lm/m	595 lm/m	202 mA/m	4.9 W/m	132 lm/W	122 lm/W

Current per one LLE FLEX segment

- _ length of one LLE FLEX segment is given as: 5 cm
- _ number of parallel LLE FLEX segments per meter can be calculated as:
 $1 \text{ m} / 0.05 \text{ m} = 20$
- 20 segments per meter

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- _ current per one LLE FLEX segment can be calculated as:
 $222 \text{ mA per meter} / 20 \text{ pieces per meter} = 11.1 \text{ mA}$
→ 11.1 mA is the current per one segment

Minimum number of needed LLE FLEX segments

- _ number of segments can be calculated as:
 $60 \text{ mA} / 11.1 \text{ mA} = 5.41 \text{ segments}$
- _ Requirement:
"Current drawn from CV load needs to exceed current from EM converterLED @ 24V"
→ A minimum of 6 segments (more than 5.41 segments) is needed

There is no maximum length of the LLE FLEX defined as constant voltage LED load for EM converterLED. Since the provided LED current is split over all connected LED the light output will decrease with the length of the LLE FLEX.

The max. allowed output current rating of the associated constant voltage LED Driver is 2 A eff (current rating of the terminals of EM converterLED) and 2.4 A peak (current rating of switching relays of EM converterLED).

Please refer to the respective EM converterLED product data sheet on www.tridonic.com especially to check the maximum allowed rating of the used constant voltage LED Driver.