

Driver Manual FS-8700-132 Gamewell FCI E3 Series Serial

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1 Description

The Gamewell FCI E3 Series System Control Units are manufactured by Fire Control Instruments. A Gamewell FCI-E3 Panel with an enabled serial port can transmit data to a FieldServer which can, in turn, make the data available to other devices including those which communicate using different protocols. Messages received from the E3 are analyzed and are then either discarded or used to update the FieldServer's internal Data Arrays depending on the configuration of the FieldServer. Once stored in the FieldServer the data is available to be read or written using other protocols.

This passive Client driver does not poll for data, nor does it send data or commands to the E3, thus it cannot be used to acknowledge, silence or reset alarms and other events.

No automatic panel data synchronization technique exists. The data in the FieldServer and the panel status have to be synchronized manually. This typically requires a panel reset.

The driver can process messages from networked panels. The driver connects to the main panel. Subsidiary panels are configured to send event data to the main panel which then sends messages to the FieldServer. Node information is sent in the line preceding the event and the driver uses this to determine the panel at which the event originated and to store data appropriately.

The driver provides both Client and Server emulation. The Server side of the driver is intended to support FieldServer's Quality Assurance program and is not intended to provide complete emulation of an E3 and is thus not fully documented. Should you require the Server side functionality to be documented and enhanced, contact the FieldServer sales group.

Max Nodes Supported			
FieldServer Mode	Nodes	Comments	
Client	1	One Node per serial port. If there is more than one alarm panel they can be networked and configured to send event data to the primary panel. The driver can process messages which identify the node of origin.	

Max Nodes Supported

2 Driver Scope of Supply

2.1 Supplied by MSA Safety

Part #	Description
FS-8917-16	Pigtail cable for RS-232 use

2.2 Provided by the Supplier of 3rd Party Equipment

2.2.1 Required 3rd Party Hardware

• ILI-MB-E3 Board

3 Hardware Connections

The FieldServer is connected to the FCI-E3 panel as shown in the connection drawing.



4 Data Array Parameters

Data Arrays are "protocol neutral" data buffers for storage of data to be passed between protocols. It is necessary to declare the data format of each of the Data Arrays to facilitate correct storage of the relevant data.

Section Title			
Data_Arrays			
Column Title	Function	Legal Values	
Data Array Nama	Provide name for Data Array	Up to 15 alphanumeric	
Data_Anay_Name	Flovide hame for Data Allay.	characters	
Data Arroy Format	Provide data format. Each Data Array can only take	Float, Bit, Byte, Uint16,	
Dala_Anay_Fonnal	on one format.	Uint32, Sint16, Sint32	
	Number of Data Objects. Must be larger than the		
Data_Array_Length	data storage area required by the Map Descriptors	1-10000	
	for the data being placed in this array.		

Example

// Data Arrays		
Data_Arrays		
Data_Array_Name	, Data_Array_Format	, Data_Array_Length
DA_AI_01	, UInt16	, 200
DA_AO_01	, Ulnt16	, 200
DA_DI_01	, Bit	, 200
DA_DO_01	, Bit	, 200

5 Client Side Configuration

For detailed information on FieldServer configuration, refer to the FieldServer Configuration Manual. The information that follows describes how to expand upon the factory defaults provided in the configuration files included with the FieldServer (see ".csv" sample files provided with the FieldServer).

This section documents and describes the parameters necessary for configuring the FieldServer to communicate with an FCI Series E3.

NOTE: In the tables below, * indicates an optional parameter, with the bold legal value as default.

Section litie		
Connections		
Column Title	Function	Legal Values
Port	Specify which port the device is connected to the	P1-P2, R1-R2 ¹
	FieldServer.	
Protocol	Specify protocol used.	FCI_E3
	Specify baud rate. Vendor documentation indicated	
	that the only supported Baud rate was 9600. During	
Baud*	testing we learned this was not true. The driver was	9600 , 57600 (Vendor
Daud	tested at 57600 and 9600 baud. Testing at 115200	Limitation)
	Baud produced intermittent result and should not be	
	used.	
Parity*	Specify parity.	None (Vendor Limitation)
Data_Bits*	Specify data bits.	8 (Vendor Limitation)
Stop_Bits*	Specify stop bits.	1 (Vendor Limitation)
	If the driver is allocating an alarm sent by one panel	
FCI_Max_Len_	(device) to more than one panel inside the FieldServer	Desitive integer 20 69
for_Node_line	then use this parameter. Increase the length to a	
	maximum of 79 until the problem is resolved.	

5.1 Client Side Connection Parameters

Example

// Client Side Connections					
Connections					
Port	, Protocol	, Baud	, Parity		
P1	, FCI_E3	, 9600	, None		

¹ Not all ports shown may be supported by the hardware. Consult the appropriate Instruction manual for details of the hardware.

Section Title		
Nodes		
Column Title	Function	Legal Values
Node_Name	Provide name for node.	Up to 32 alphanumeric characters
Node_ID	Only required for networked configurations. Set the Node_ID of the local panel to zero and create one Node Descriptor for each panel setting the Node_ID to the panel number.	Whole numbers 0,1,2,3
Protocol	Specify protocol used.	FCI_E3
FCI_Reset_Action_ Option*	Only required for networked configurations: When not specified or set to 'Reset_by_any_Node' then the driver will reset the data array points associated with the given node irrespective of the reset message's origin. When set to 'Reset_by_this_Node_Only' then the driver only resets the data associated with the given node if the reset originated from the same node.	Reset_by_any_Node, Reset_by_this_Node_Only
Connection	Specify through which port the device is connected to the FieldServer.	P1-P2, R1-R2 ¹

5.2 Client Side Node Descriptors

Example

// Client Side Nodes				
Nodes				
Node_Name	, Protocol	, Connection		
Panel-01	, FCI_E3	, P1		

5.3 Client Side Map Descriptor Parameters

5.3.1 FieldServer Specific Map Descriptor Parameters

Column Title	Function	Legal Values		
Map_Descriptor_Name	Name of this Map Descriptor.	Up to 32 alphanumeric characters		
Data Array Name	Name of Data Array where data is to One of the Data Array names			
Data_/ indy_Name	be stored in the FieldServer.	"Data Array" section above		
Data Array Offset	Starting location in Data Array	0 to maximum specified in "Data		
Dala_Allay_Olisel	Starting location in Data Anay.	Array" section above		
Function	Function of Client Map Descriptor.	Passive_Client		

Column Title	Function	Legal Values
Node_Name	Name of Node to fetch data from.	One of the node names specified in "Client Node Descriptor" above
Event Type*	This driver uses this parameter to determine the suitability of a Map Descriptor when looking for a location to store data from an incoming message. A Map Descriptor may be defined to store only 'Alarm', 'Fault', 'Trouble' or 'Other events. Alternatively, specify "Any" A table of events vs. categories is provided in Section 8.1 .	Any , Other, Fault, Alarm, Trouble
Point Type	This driver uses this parameter to determine the suitability of a Map Descriptor when looking for a location to store data from an incoming message.	Zone, Relay, Loop, Sensor, Module, Panel
Relay/Loop/Zone Number	Ignored when the Point Type is 'Panel' Point Type = Relay 1255 Point Type = Zone 18 Point Type = Loop 12 Point Type = Module 12 Point Type = Sensor 12	Any integer (1, 2, etc.)
Length*	Each Map Descriptor defines storage locations for a series of addresses. This parameter specifies the length of the series.	Any integer (1,2,3, etc.)
Address	This parameter is specific to Map Descriptors with 'Event Type' Module or Sensor. It specifies the starting Module or Sensor number. The length parameter then determines the range of the Sensor/Module numbers.	1-159
Store As*	If set to 'Bit' the driver will use the primary Data Array to store using the 'Bit Storage' Method. These methods are described in Section 6.1 .	Bit, Index_Value
DA_Bit_Name	If the default 'Store As' is specified or if the parameter is omitted then a secondary array can be specified using this parameter - the driver will store event data as 'Bit Storage' in the Secondary array (and as 'Index Values' in the Primary array). These methods are described in Section 6.1 .	One of the Data Array names specified under the data array section
Clear on Reset*	If this parameter is specified it will prevent the Driver resetting the Data Array points associated with the Map Descriptor on reset.	Yes, No

5.3.2 Driver Related Map Descriptor Parameters

5.4 Map Descriptor Examples

5.4.1 Sensor / Module Events

If messages from Loop 1, Module 1 to 159 are received then the Map Descriptor in this example will be used for storage. If modules occur on more than one loop, one Map Descriptor is required per loop. In this example the event type is set to 'Alarm' so only "Alarm" events will be stored. The "Event_Type" can be changed to suit the required data. If all events are required, the parameter should be set to "Any".

// Client Side Map Des	criptors						
Map_Descriptors	Dela Asia Nicora	Data Asso Official	E suffra	No. J. Marca	E I E		
Map_Descriptor_Name ModuleData1	, Data_Array_Name , DA_MODULE	, Data_Array_Offset	, Function , Passive Client	, Node_Name	, Event Type , Alarm	, Point Type , Module	
, Relay/Loop/Zone Nur , 1	mber , Address , Le , 1 , 1	ength , Clear_on_Res 59 , Yes	set	·	,	·	

Example comments:

- Map_Descriptor_Name Unique Map Descriptor Names are recommended.
- Data_Array_Name & Data_Array_Offset The Data Array name and starting location that data should be stored.
- Function The driver listens passively for messages from the Panel. It cannot poll for data.
- Node_Name The name of the Node defined in the Node section above.
- Event_Type Only Alarm events will be stored.
- Point_Type Change this to 'Sensor' for sensors.
- Length The address specifies the starting Module number and the Length tells the driver the range of Modules. In this example: Module 1 to 159.

5.4.2 Bit Storage

This example defines storage location for Relay Point events. The example would work for all other point types. In the example, both primary and secondary storage Data Arrays have been specified. The driver stores index values in the primary array. Each new event for a particular relay will overwrite the value stored previously. In the Bit Array, the driver sets the bit corresponding to the event, leaving other bits unchanged – thus the secondary storage can be used to determine if more than one event is active at a time.

// Client Side Map Des	criptors						
Map_Descriptors Map_Descriptor_Name RelayData	, Data_Array_Name , DA_RELAY	, Data_Array_Offset , 0	, DA_Bit_Name , DB_Relay	, Function , Passive_Client	, Node_Name , Panel-01	, Event Type , Any	, Point Type , Relay
, Relay/Loop/Zone Nu , 1	mber , Address , Le , - , 4	ength , Clear_on_Res , Yes	set				

Example comments:

- Data_Array_Name This is where the primary DA is specified. Index values are stored here.
- Da_Bit_Name DA_Bit_Name is where secondary storage is defined. Events are stored by setting appropriate bits. Remember that 2 elements per Relay, Module, Sensor, Loop are used.
- Address Map Descriptors for storing Relay, Loop, Zone and Panel do not need the address specified.

6 Useful Features

6.1 Extending the Event Table

New event causes may be added to the Event Table (**Section 8.1**) and the index value or category of existing event causes modified by adding a section to the configuration CSV file. The examples below illustrate this.

6.1.1 Index Value of 'Trouble' is Updated to a New Value of 100

Driver_Table			
Event_Type_Description	, Event_Type_Index_Value	, Event_Type_Category	, Protocol
TROUBLE	, 100	, 4	, FCI_E3

6.1.2 New Entry is Added

Since it has been added as category=3, only Map Descriptors with 'Event Type' set to "Alarm" or "Any" will capture messages with this event description.

Driver_Table			
Event_Type_Description	, Event_Type_Index_Value	, Event_Type_Category	, Protocol
DESTROYED	, 51	, 3	, FCI_E3

For categories use the following values:

'Other' = 1, 'Fault' = 2, 'Alarm' = 3, 'Trouble' = 4

6.2 Panel Synchronization

Manual synchronization is required. When the "Reset" button on the panel is pressed a message is transmitted to the FieldServer, which clears the data in the FieldServer. After a reset the panel sends messages to report all abnormal states. When all these messages have been processed the FieldServer and panel will be synchronized. This process can be repeated at any time.

When a panel sends a reset message the driver processes every single Map Descriptor, looking at the 'Clear on Reset' parameter (see **Section 5.3.2**). If the parameter is set to yes, then the driver sets all the Data Array elements referenced by the Map Descriptor to zero by looking up the Data Array Name, the Data Array offset and the length. The driver also clears the relevant sections of a Data Array specified with the DA_Bit_Name parameter.

The process can take some time. For this reason, it is suggested that you take care not to set the Map Descriptor length to a value larger than necessary.

6.3 Networked Panels

The driver can process messages and store data from multiple panels provided that:

- The panels are connected in an FCI network and the panels are configured to report their events to the main panel.
- The main panel is configured to send the Node of origin in a message preceding the event message. Consult with FCI for information on how to achieve this.

Example of message sent by a panel that is networked. The driver is dependent on seeing the node of event origin included in parenthesis before each event message.

Node02: MISSING	Acclimate L1S041 00:17:06 01/01/06
Node55: 1st Floor Lobby DISCONNECT RSTRD	Ion Detector L1S024 09:51:44 01/15/06
Local: FIRST ALARM	Photo Detector L1S001 09:24:52 12/01/06

The main panel is identified as 'Local'. The driver interprets this as Node_ID=0.

To capture events from multiple networked panels a Node Descriptor is required for each panel with the appropriate Node_ID. Each Node requires a set of Map Descriptors.

7 Troubleshooting

If the driver is sending the same alarm to a number or external nodes, an error may be reported. In this case specify the connection parameter FCI_Max_Len_for_Node_line. Refer to **Section 5.1** for more information.

8 Reference

8.1 Data Storage Methodology

All messages shorter than 102 characters are discarded unless they contain information identifying the networked/local panel. All other messages are processed as follows:

- 1. The driver determines if the message is a Zone, Relay, Loop, Sensor, Module or Panel message.
- 2. The driver finds all Map Descriptors with matching 'Point Type' parameters.
- 3. The event category is determined.
- 4. Map Descriptor selection is refined based on whether the 'Event Type' matches or has been defined as "Any".
- 5. The driver determines the Loop. Relay, Zone, Sensor and Module numbers from the message and refines its selection of Map Descriptors by selecting those that match the values determined from the message.
- 6. The selected Map Descriptors are now used to determine a Data Array and offset at which to store the data.
- 7. The driver checks the 'Store As' parameter. If it hasn't been specified, then 'Index Value' storage is assumed. If it has been specified as 'Bits' then the driver will perform 'Bit Storage'. In cases where the Map Descriptor has both a primary and secondary Data Array, the driver will use 'Index Value' storage using the primary data array and 'Bit Storage' using the secondary array.

8.1.1 Example

The following fragment is part of a Map Descriptor definition; some parameters have been omitted for the purposes of clarity.

Map_Descriptors	;							
Data_Array_Nam	ne, Data_A	Array_Offset , Event Type	, Point Type	, Re	lay/Loop/Zone Number , Addre	ss , Leng	th, Clear_	on_Reset , DA_Bit_Name
DA_MODU	, 0	, ANY	, Module	, 1	, 1	, 159	, Yes	, DB_MODU
DA_MODU_A	, 0	, ALARM	, Module	, 1	, 1	, 159	, Yes	, DB_MODU_A
DA_MODU_F	, 0	, FAULT	, Module	, 1	, 1	, 159	, Yes	, DB_MODU_F
DA_MODU_T	, 0	, TROUBLE	, Module	, 1	, 1	, 159	, Yes	, DB_MODU_T
DA_MPODU_O	, 0	, OTHER	, Module	, 1	, 1	, 159	, Yes	, DB_MODU_O

Message = "FAULT:

E3

AC Power

0:00:04 1/01/92"

This message does not report the status of a Zone, Relay, Loop, Sensor or Module and is therefore assumed to be a panel message. Since there is no Map Descriptor with "Point Type" Panel, the message is ignored.

	Message = "TROUBLE:	QZUb L1M22 << Chief's Office >>	5:24:00 3/03/93"
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This message reports status for Loop 1 Module 22. Since all the MD's in the example have a 'Point Type'='Module', they are all considered for storage.

The driver looks in the Event Table and finds it has an index value of 34 and a category of 4 (Trouble). Only the Map Descriptors with "Event Type" set to "Any" and "Trouble" are now considered.

Since the value of the 'Relay/Loop/Zone' parameter matches the Loop number in the message, these Map Descriptors remain in contention.

The Module number of 22 is compared with the MD's Address and Length Parameters. The Address is the starting number and the length defines the range. Both Map Descriptors have addresses of 1 and length of 159 and thus both are still selected because the Module of 22 falls in this range.

The driver calculates an offset based on the offset specified in the Map Descriptor and the Module number relative to the Map Descriptor address:

- Map Descriptor Offset = 0
- Map Descriptor Address = 1
- Message Module = 22

Module 1's data is stored at offset 0 and hence Module 22's data will be stored at offset 21. The driver stores the value 34 at offset 21 overwriting any data previously stored at that location. This is 'Index Value' Storage.

Secondary storage has been defined using the 'DA_Bit_Name' Data Array. The driver doubles the offset as two locations are used for each address. The driver then reads the value found in the Data_Array, modifies it and writes it back. Since the index value is 34 the driver modifies the 34th bit – or expressed another way, the driver modifies the 2nd bit (34-32) at offset+1.

Thus, the driver calculates the offset for Bit Storage as $2 \times 21 = 42$. The driver sees that bit 34 is $2 2^{nd}$ bit in the next offset and so the driver reads DB_MODU:43, modifies the value by setting the 2nd bit on and then writing the modified value back. During the modification all other bits are left intact. Thus using the Bit Storage method, a single Module (or sensor...) can keep track of multiple events.

8.2 Events and Event Categories

The driver reports the event cause using the matching index value. There are 4 event categories:

1 = Other, 2 = Fault, 3 = Alarm, 4 = Trouble

The message category must match the 'Event Type' parameter specified on a Map Descriptor before that Map Descriptor can be considered for storage of the message data. User defined events can be added to this table. Refer to **Section 6.1**.

Index	Category	Event
1	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_FAULT	"Fault"
2	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Short"
3	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Disconnect" ²
4	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Comm Fault"
5	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Config Err"
6	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Eeprom Bad"
7	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Reset"
8	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Silence"
9	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Cross Zone" ²
10	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Acknwldgd"
11	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Walk Test"
12	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Alarm Test"
13	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"SPVSN Test"
14	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Fault Test"
15	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Fire Drill"
16	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Batt Test"

² Not defined in the spec.

Index	Category	Event
17	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"PRGM Mode"
18	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Action"
19	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Loop Break"
20	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_ALARM	"Alarm"
21	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"P.A.S."
22	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Off-Normal"
23	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"RZA Fault" ²
24	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Verify" ²
25	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"CM Short" ²
26	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Test Fail"
27	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Alert"
28	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Dirty"
29	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Very Dirty"
30	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Missing"
31	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Wrong Type"
32	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Extra Addr"
33	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Clock Err" ²
34	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_TRBLE	"Trouble" ²
35	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"MLT Events" ²
36	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Alrm Ackd"
37	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Outpt Fail"
38	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Tally Flt"
39	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"AC Flt To"
40	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Trbl Ackd"
41	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Access"
42	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Netwrk Flt"
43	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"NetGndFlt"
44	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Dact Fault"
45	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Node Msng"
46	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Node Xtra"
47	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Fans Off"
48	FCI_EVENT_TYPE_OTHER	"Xzone Alrm"

8.3 Driver Error Messages

Message	Description	
FCI_E3:#1 FYI. Use a DA called <%s> to expose	Peter to Section 8 4	
diagnostic info., FCI_E3_STATS_DA)		
FCI_E3:#2 FYI. Added Event Desc=<%s> Index=%d		
Categ=%d , new_event_desc ,	Printed for information only. No action	
new_event_desc_index_value , new_event_desc_categ)	required if it confirms your expectations.	
;		
FCI_E3:#3 Err. No space. Reject Event Desc=<%s>		
Index=%d , new_event_desc ,	There is only space for 60 event types. ³	
new_event_desc_index_value) ;		
FCI_E3:#4 FYI. Duplicate Event Desc=<%s>.,	The Event type being added already exists. If	
new_event_desc);	you are updating the category, ignore the	
FCI_E3:#5 FYI. Duplicate Event Desc=<%s>.,	message. Otherwise correct the	
new_event_desc);	configuration file. ³	
FCL E3:#6 Err Event Index=%d Too big to set bit	If the event index is greater than 64 then the	
dry bd->event index)	data cannot be stored as bits - only 64 bits	
	are reserved for events.	
FCI_E3:#7a Err. DA=%s too short. Rqd=%d, dt-	The MD in question has a length and offset	
>buffer_name , offset);	which makes it run past the end of the Data	
FCI_E3:#7b Err. DA=%s too short. Rqd=%d,	Array. Message 7b is printed when data is	
possible_md->data->buffer_name , offset);	being stored as bits. ³	
FCI_E3:#8 FYI. Reset was rcvd and processed! Stamped	Printed for information only. No action	
%s %s , drv_bd->time , drv_bd->date)	required.	
	A reset was received but the driver could not	
FCI_E3:#9 Err. Reset was ignored.	reset any data. 'Clear_on_Reset' possibly set	
	to 'no' on all Map Descriptors?	
FCI_E3:#10 FYI. Reset of DA=%s Off=%d Len=%d,	Printed for information only. No action	
possible_md->data->buffer_name, possible_md-	required.	
>bxi_data_buffer_offset , possible_md->data_length);		
FCI_E3:#11 Err. Cant reset DA=%s len=%d rqd=%d,	The Max Decision is a set of the last of	
possible_md->data->buffer_name,	The Map Descriptor in question has a length	
da_get_lengtn_in_items ((DAH_IYP) possible_md->data	and offset which makes it run past the end of	
), possible_md->data_lengtn+possible_md-	the Data Array."	
>DXI_data_buffer_offset);		
FCI_E3:#12a Err. No MD's to store message data.	The Driver could not find a place to store	
ECL E2:#12b Err. No MD's to store message date "	data from a message received. If the data is	
	not required then the message may be	
FCI_E3:#13 Err. Msg was ignored. MD Required for		
Storage.		
FCI_E3:#13a Err. Diagnostic 1);	Take a log. Try and repeat the event that	
FCI_E3:#13b Err. Diagnostic 2);	caused the message to be printed. Then	
FCI E3:#13c Err. Diagnostic 3):	contact tech support.	

³ Correct the configuration file, download to the FieldServer and restart the FieldServer for the changes to take effect.

Message	Description
FCI_E3:#14 Err. <%s> file not found.,	
md->mapdesc_name) ;	If this error is repeated often it is possible that
FCI_E3:#15 Err. Event Type=<%s> Not recognized.",	a FCI firmware update has made the driver
drv_bd->event_desc)	unusable. Take a log and contact tech
FCI_E3:#16 Err. Point Type='%c'(%#x) Not recognized. ,	support.
drv_bd->point_identifier[0] , drv_bd->point_identifier[0]) ;	
FCI_E3:#17 Err. Loop=%d < 1. Rejected. , drv_bd->loop)	This message should only be printed if a byte in a message has been corrupted. If you notice it more than once then take a log and contact tech support.
FCI_E3:#18 Err. Loop Type='%c'(%#x) Not recognized. , drv_bd->point_identifier[2] , drv_bd->point_identifier[2])	If this error is repeated often it is possible that a FCI firmware update has made the driver unusable. Take a log and contact tech support.
FCI_E3:#19 Err. Relay=%d < 1. Rejected. , drv_bd->relay	This message should only be printed if a byte in a message has been corrupted. If you
FCI_E3:#20 Err. Zone=%d < 1. Rejected. , drv_bd->zone"	notice it more than once then take a log and contact tech support.
FCI_E3:#21 Err. Point Type not recognized	Valid Point Types are listed in Section 5.3.24
FCI_E3:#22 Err. Undefined Point Type"	Valid 1 Onit Types are listed in Section 3.3.2
FCI_E3:#23 Err. Event Type not recognized	Valid Event Types are listed in Section
FCI_E3:#24 Err. Undefined Event Type	5.3.2 ⁴
FCI_E3:#25a Err. Address+Length>159. Length Truncated	The maximum value for a sensor/module is
FCI_E3:#25b Err. Address+Length>159. Length Truncated	specified produce a number > 159 ⁴
FCI E3:#26 Err. Invalid Module number. Expected 1159	
FCI E3:#27a Err. Invalid Loop number. Expected 110	
FCI E3:#27b Err. Invalid Loop number. Expected 110	
FCI E3:#27c Err. Invalid Loop number. Expected 110	Correct the configuration file ⁴
FCI E3:#28 Err. Invalid Sensor number. Expected 1159	
FCI E3:#29 Err. Invalid Zone number. Expected 1255	
FCI_E3:#30 Err. Invalid Relay number. Expected 1255	
FCI_E3:#31 Err. Point Type Invalid.	Valid Point Types are listed in Section 5.3.24
FCI_E3:#32 Err. No MD Length. Default to 1	The length of each Map Descriptor should be specified. Refer to Section 5.3.2 ⁴
FCI_E3:#33 Err. Driver can't poll or write.	The driver can only listen passively for message from the panel. Map Descriptors may not be configured as active. ⁴
FCI_E3:#36 Err. Too Short. Bytes=%d , conn->ux_iptr"	An event message is less than 80 bytes long. If this error is repeated often it is possible that a FCI firmware update has made the driver unusable. Take a log and contact tech support.

⁴ Correct the configuration file, download to the FieldServer and restart the FieldServer for the changes to take effect.

8.4 Driver Stats Exposed

In addition to the standard FieldServer operating statistics the driver exposes certain key stats in a Data Array if required. An upstream device can then monitor these stats.

Add the following to the configuration file to activate these stats.

// Expose Driver Operating Stats.				
Data_Arrays Data_Array_Name fci-e3-stats	, Data_Format , UINT32	, Data_Array_Length , 200		

The driver exposes stats based on a port handle. The offset specified in the table below must be added to the handle number multiplied by 100. i.e. for port whose handle is 1 then the driver will store the 1^{st} stat at $1+100^{*}1=101$.

Stat	Offset	Description
		Increments each time point data is
FCI_E3_STAT_NO_PLACE_TO_STORE	1	received but there is no Map
		Descriptor to store the data (any).
		Increments each time point data is
FCI_E3_STAT_NO_PLACE_TO_STORE_ZONE	2	received but there is no Map
		Descriptor to store Zone data.
		Increments each time point data is
FCI_E3_STAT_NO_PLACE_TO_STORE_RELAY	3	received but there is no Map
		Descriptor to store Relay data.
		Increments each time point data is
FCI_E3_STAT_NO_PLACE_TO_STORE_LOOP	4	received but there is no Map
		Descriptor to store the Loop data.
		Increments each time point data is
FOL E2 STAT NO DIACE TO STORE SENSOR	5	received but there is no Map
FOI_ES_STAT_NO_FLACE_TO_STORE_SENSOR	Э	Descriptor to store the Sensor
		data.
		Increments each time point data is
FOLES STAT NO PLACE TO STORE MODULE	6	received but there is no Map
	0	Descriptor to store the Module
		data.
		Number of times that a message
FCI_E3_STAT_EMPTY_MSG	7	line was zero bytes long (excluding
		the terminator).
		Number of times that a message
FCI_E3_STAT_SHORT_MSG	8	line was too short probably a
		system id tag line.
FCL E3 STAT NO RESET	9	Increments each time a reset was
	9	rcvd but no Data Array was reset.
		Increments each time point data is
FCI_E3_STAT_NO_PLACE_TO_STORE_PANEL	10	received but there is no Map
		Descriptor to store data that cannot

Stat	Offset	Description
		be attributed to a zone, relay, loop, sensor, module.
FCI_E3_STAT_RCVD_MSGS	11	Increments each time a message is received.
FCI_E3_STAT_RCVD_BYTES	12	Increments each time a character is received from the panel. The bytes are only added when a message terminator is received. Thus this count is equivalent to the byte count in all FCI_E3_STAT_RCVD_MSGS.
FCI_E3_STAT_PARSED_NO_ERRS_EXCLD_RESET	13	Increments each time a message is parsed without errors. Excludes Reset Messages.
FCI_E3_STAT_PARSED_NO_ERRS_RESET	14	Increments each time a reset message is parsed without errors.
FCI_E3_STAT_PARSED_NO_ACTION	15	Increments each time a message is parsed with no errors but the nature of the message doesn't require data to be stored. (e.g. empty message lines).
FCI_E3_STAT_PARSED_WITH_ERRS	16	Increments each time a message produces an error when parsed.
FCI_E3_STAT_INHIBIT_RESET	17	Set to 1 to inhibit resets altogether.
FCI_E3_STAT_INHIBIT_RESET_DA_PUT	18	Set to 1 to inhibit resets from clearing arrays.
FCI_E3_STAT_INHIBIT_RESET_WHILE	19	Set to 1 to inhibit the reset function from looping through Map Descriptors.
FCI_E3_STAT_NODE_INFO_MSG	20	Increments each time a message with Node information is received.
FCI_E3_STAT_NO_PLACE_TO_STORE_NODE	21	Increments each time an event message containing Node information relating to a Node that cannot be found is discarded.