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# STARLINK SL-1FD-T WIRELESS BACKUP TELEMETRY UNIT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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## INTRODUCTION

The StarLink SL-1FD-T is a fully supervised, wireless digital two-way subscriber unit supported by an extensive nationwide wireless network. The SL-1FD-T is compatible with virtually any alarm control panel and is easy to install and test.

The SL-1FD-T can function as a primary wireless communicator, in cases where there are no phone lines present, when connected directly to the control panel Telco terminals. It can also function as a backup to the existing telephone lines. When used as a backup communicator, it automatically switches the communication channel from the telephone line to the GPRS network when it senses phone line trouble.

The SL-1FD-T uses proprietary data-capture technology that captures the alarm report from the control panel and transmits the alarm signals to the StarLink Control Center which are then forwarded to ANY Central Station via standard CS receiver formats 4/2 and Contact ID. In addition, the StarLink Control Center generates and reports a Communications Failure signal in the event that the network does not receive the expected supervisory test signal from the Wireless Telemetry Unit during the scheduled period.

StarLink alarm signals are transmitted on the data-only GPRS portion of the GSM digital network, providing a fast, dependable communication path to the central station.

## SPECIFICATIONS

### Electrical

Input Voltage: 12.5VDC  $\pm$  15%  
Standby Current: 20mA  
Maximum Current: 2 AMPS (for less than 1 second)

### Environmental

Operating  
Temperature: -30°C - 55°(-22°F - 131°F)  
Humidity: 95% Non-Condensing

### Physical

Dimensions: 192mm H x 78mm W x 34mm D  
(w/o antenna): (7.559" H x 3.07" W x 1.336" D)  
Mounting : #6 Screw Holes (4)  
Input Connector: 5mm Screw Terminals  
Output Connector SMA  
Antenna: Flexible two band with SMA connector

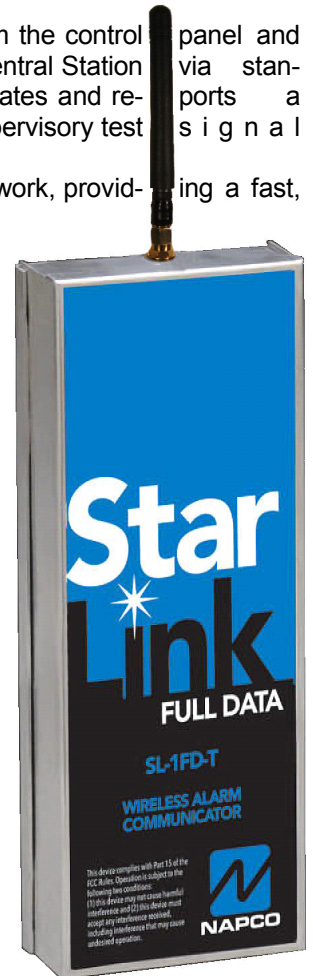
## GENERAL INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

- Since the mounting location can ONLY be selected based on RF performance, it is HIGHLY recommended that the installer carefully follow STEP 2 below BEFORE any wires are installed.
- Generally, high locations are best. DO NOT mount radio in basements or below grade as unpredictable performance may result.
- Whenever possible, DO NOT mount the SL-1FD in non-climate controlled environments (i.e. attics may become extremely hot in summer, garages may become extremely cold in winter).
- Avoid mounting locations within 3 feet of AC power lines, fluorescent light fixtures, or large metal objects (air conditioners, metal garage doors, etc.).
- A fair amount of care may be required to mount the SL-1FD so as to achieve an optimal RF path. The installer should spend as much time as needed to obtain the highest signal level possible.
- The SL-1FD draws a substantial amount of current -- approximately 2 AMPS -- during transmit (less than one second). Therefore, follow the instructions for powering the SL-1FD carefully!

## STEP 1: ACCOUNT REGISTRATION

To activate the StarLink Subscriber Unit, complete the Account Worksheet and then use **one** of the following StarLink activation methods (it is strongly recommended that the account is registered first to allow complete testing through to central station upon installation):

- **Method 1:** Register the account on-line through StarLink; go to [www.napcosecurity.com](http://www.napcosecurity.com) and click **Reporting**. **Note:** New StarLink Dealers must first set up an account by clicking *Dealer Registration*. Accounts registered via the inter-



net are immediately activated and on-line.

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- **Method 2:** Fax the completed Account Worksheet toll-free to 631-789-9292. Worksheets received via fax are processed within 24 hours of receipt, Monday – Friday (excluding holidays).

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- **Method 3:** New accounts may be activated through the StarLink Automated Operator System toll-free at 1-800-645-9445, extension 333. This will provide a reporting account, but complete account details must be either faxed or supplied on-line shortly after activation.

## STEP 2: SELECT A MOUNTING LOCATION

- Connect the antenna, then temporarily connect power to the SL-1FD-T from a fully charged 12V (4AH minimum) battery. DO NOT mount the SL-1FD-T at this time. Position the unit in the desired mounting location.
- Press the test button (S1) located on the bottom right corner; the unit transmits and the LED displays one long "blink" (see Fig. 1). Observe the coverage LED, count the number of blinks and compare to the Coverage Table (right). Move the unit as required to achieve the best coverage (signal strength) possible. As needed, re-position the unit, re-transmit and observe the Coverage LED to indicate the change. The unit will not transmit until 15 seconds have passed since the last test. **Note:** There is a 2-second delay between blink cycles.
- Once a location has been selected based on coverage, permanently secure the unit using #6 screws (not supplied) in at least 2 of the 4 mounting holes.

## STEP 3: APPLY POWER

- The SL-1FD-T requires 12VDC. It draws less than 20mA during standby, *and almost 2 AMPS during transmissions* (for less than 1 second). It is recommended that the SL-1FD-T be powered directly from the battery (4AH Minimum) of the alarm control panel, with a 3 AMP fuse in series (**IMPORTANT:** Fuse must be situated within the control panel enclosure.). As the standby current is very low, the alarm control panel charging circuit will not be affected, and the battery is capable of supplying the 2 AMP current on transmit. **DO NOT** power the SL-1FD-T from the Aux. Output of the control panel.
- 22-gauge wire may be used if mounted up to 50 feet from the control panel, and 18-gauge wire should be used for up to 100 feet.
- Connect power to (-) & (+) screw terminals (see Fig. 2).
- Connect the "TELCO" control panel terminals: "A" = TIP, "B" = RING. **Do NOT** connect these terminals to house telephone lines (RJ31X modular plug wires, etc.).

! **DO NOT short wires to metal case.**

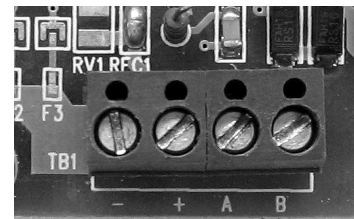


Fig. 1. Terminals from left to right: Power: NEG (-), POS (+), Telco: Tip (A), Ring (B).

## STEP 4: SIGNAL VERIFICATION

After triggering channels, use the StarLink Signal Verification to insure that the StarLink Network has properly received the signals.

- **Verify Online:** To verify that the signals have been received by the StarLink Network online, go to [www.napcosecurity.com](http://www.napcosecurity.com), click **Reporting** and select the **StarLink** option. Enter your company ID number and the unit ID #.
- **Verify by Telephone:** To verify that the signals have been received by the StarLink Network via touch-tone phone, dial 1-800-645-9445 and press 333, enter the SL-1FD-T ID# and select the *StarLink Verification* option.

! **IMPORTANT:** Verify that the signals transmitted by the SL-1FD-T have been properly received by your central station.

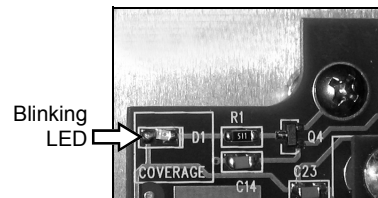


Fig. 2. Testing Signal Strength

# BLINKS	COVERAGE TABLE
0 BLINKS	NO NETWORK--DO NOT INSTALL--Re-position Unit
1 BLINK	VERY WEAK COVERAGE--DO NOT INSTALL--Re-position Unit
2 BLINKS	MARGINAL COVERAGE--Reposition Unit or Use High-Gain Antenna--INSTALL with CAUTION
3 BLINKS	GOOD COVERAGE SIGNAL--OK TO INSTALL
4 BLINKS	VERY GOOD COVERAGE SIGNAL--OK TO INSTALL
5 BLINKS	EXCELLENT COVERAGE--OK TO INSTALL

## CONSTANT SIGNAL STRENGTH INDICATOR

Every 16 seconds, the SL-1FD-T receiver section turns on and listens to the cell tower. Depending on the signal strength detected, it will flash the Signal Strength LED from 1 to 5 times, providing a signal strength indicator that is updated constantly and is always displayed. Refer to Coverage Table above.

**▲ WARNING:** To ensure user safety and to satisfy FCC RF exposure requirements, this unit must be installed so that a minimum separation distance of 40cm or 60cm is always maintained between the antenna of the transmitting device and nearby persons. Operation closer than this distance is **not** recommended. Use **ONLY** the existing antenna supplied by StarLink to comply with this warning.

**NOTE:** Control panel options "Enable Telephone Line Test", "Alarm Output only when Armed (Telco Fail)" and "Line Fault Only While Armed" will not operate with this SL-1FD-T receiver installed.

## NETWORK COVERAGE SUPERVISION

The SL-1FD-T radio constantly supervises the network coverage and can prompt the control panel to announce a Telco failure if it is determined that the coverage is lost. To enable this feature, install jumper W7. When the system detects that the coverage has been lost for a period of approximately 30 minutes, the radio will remove the simulated 48V telephone line voltage from the panel Telco terminals, prompting the panel to announce a Telco Failure system trouble. **NOTE:** Telephone line supervision must be enabled in the control panel program for this feature to work. If jumper W7 is NOT installed, the simulated 48V telephone line voltage will remain, whether the radio has coverage or not.

When the StarLink SL-1FD-T is configured for backup reporting via the radio, the radio will monitor for the presence of Tip/Ring voltage and if present, assumes the telephone line is normal. However, the radio cannot detect if the panel successfully transmitted a signal via the telephone line. If the telephone line has no dial tone or if there is no indication from the central station that the transmission was received, the radio will not send a backup report; but the alarm panel will display a "Fail to Communicate" trouble. The radio will transmit a signal only when the panel tries to communicate and the telephone line voltage is missing due to a line cut.

**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B Unintentional Radiator, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the Instruction Manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one of more of the following measures: 1. Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna; 2. Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver; 3. Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected; 4. Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

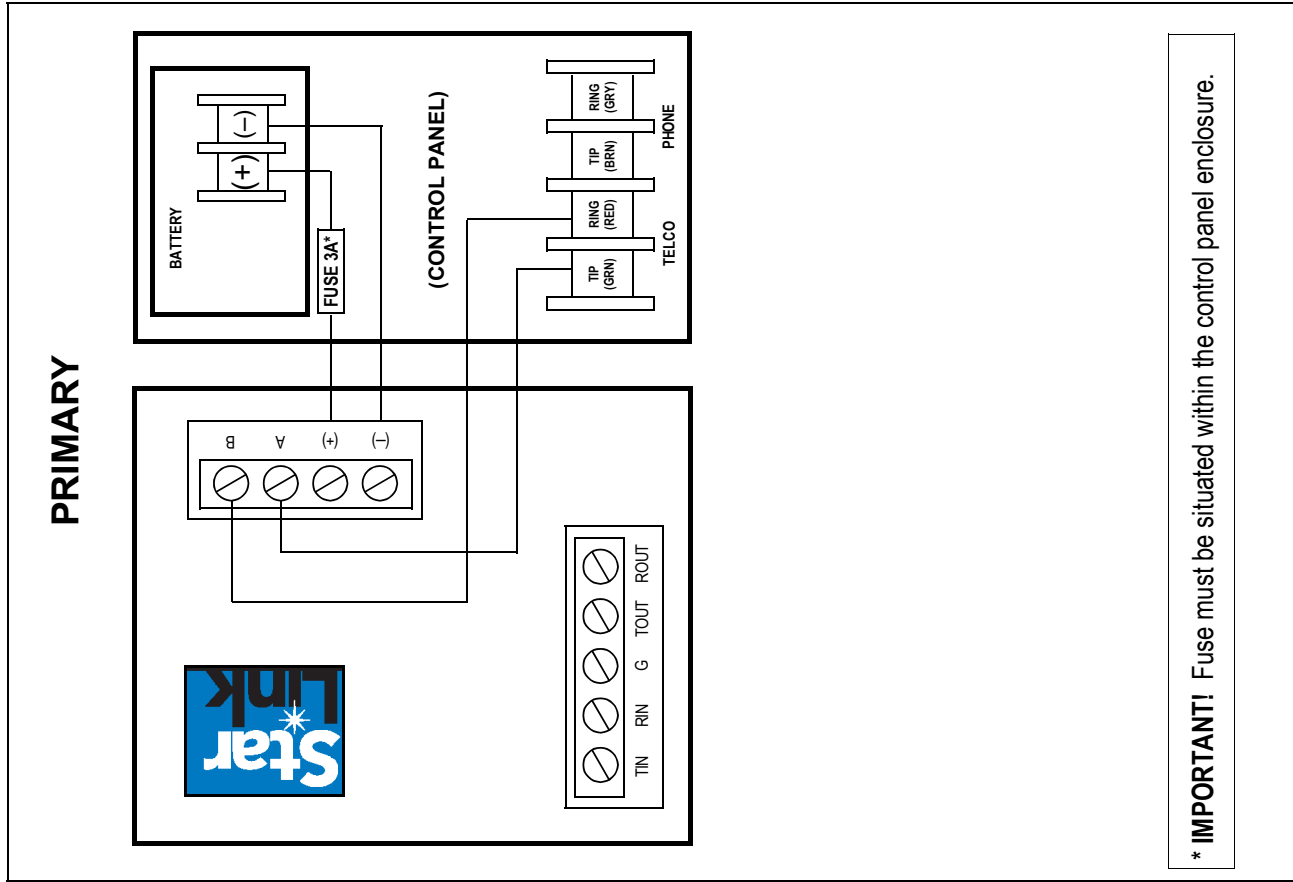


Fig. 3. Wiring Diagram: StarLink Only

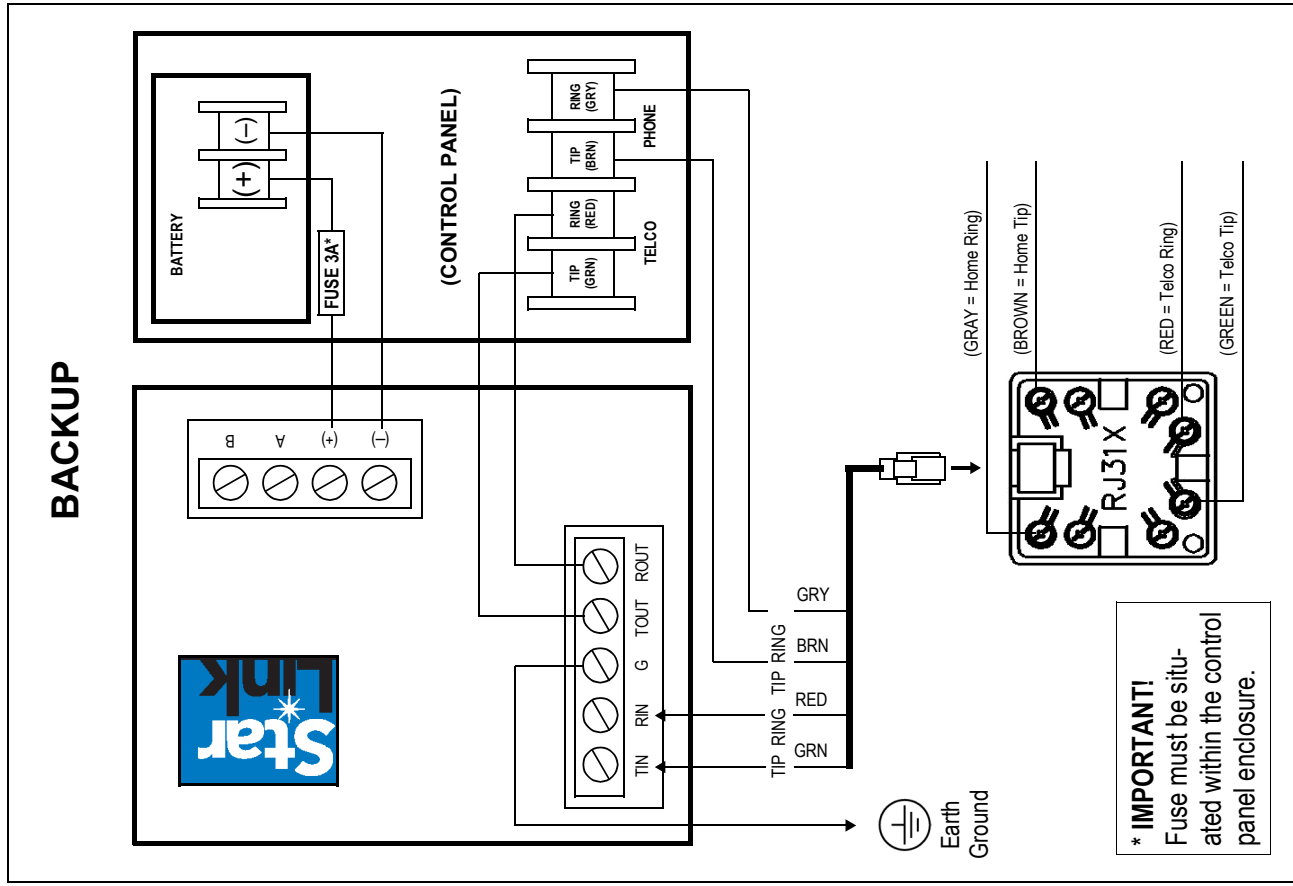
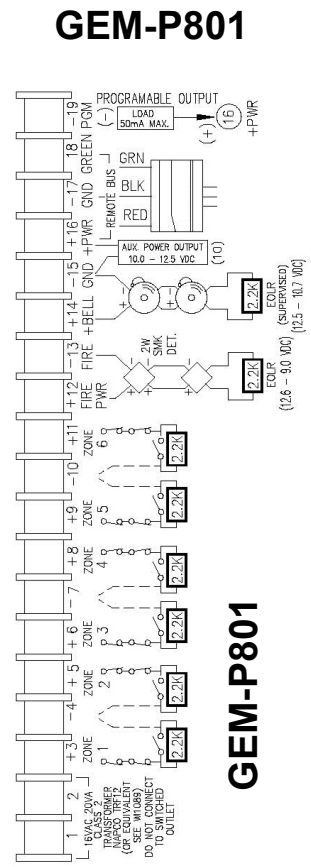
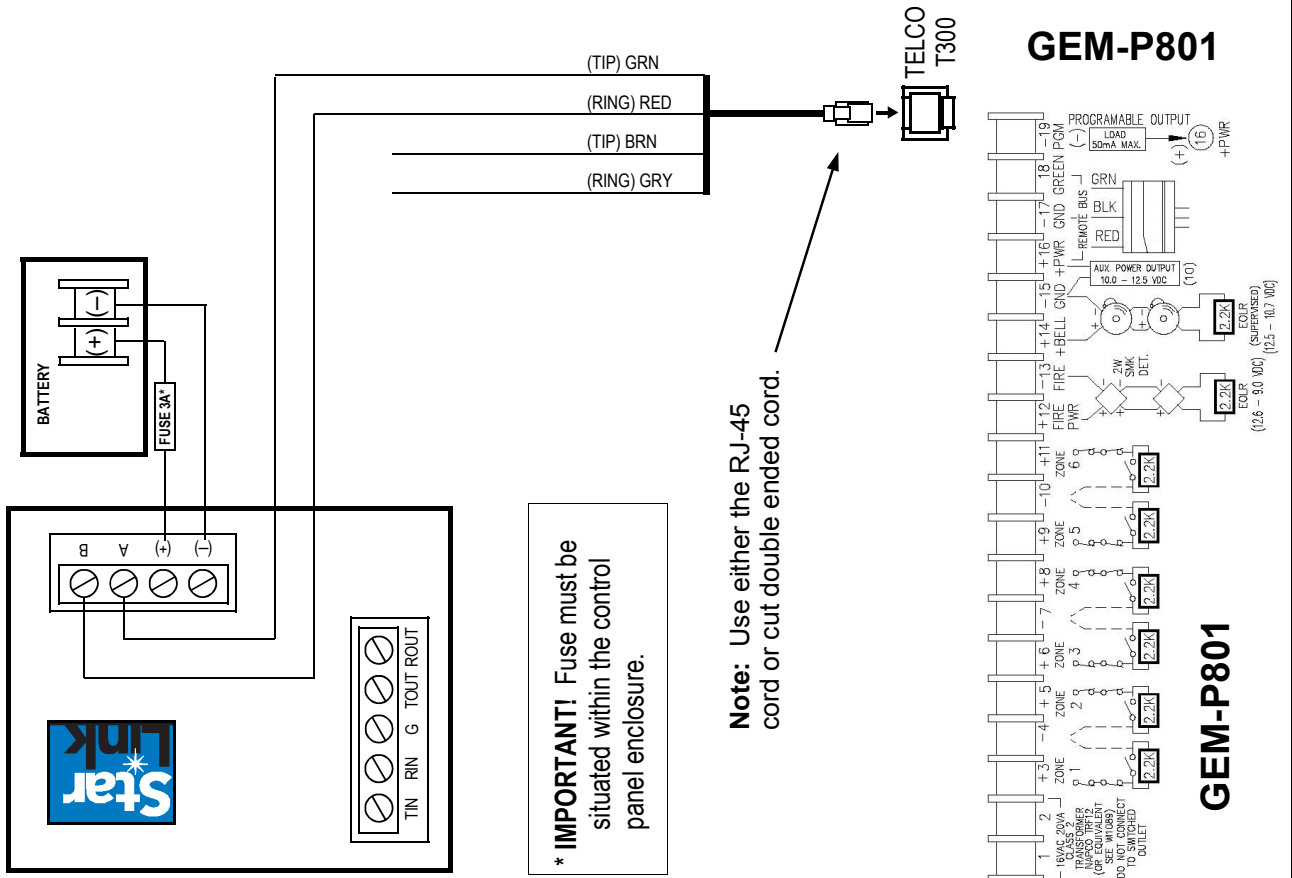
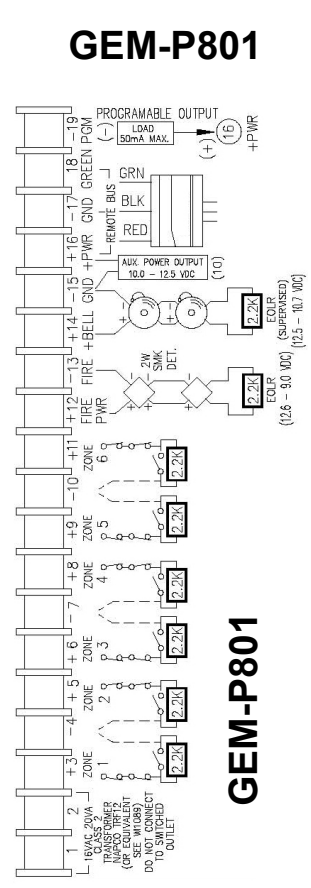
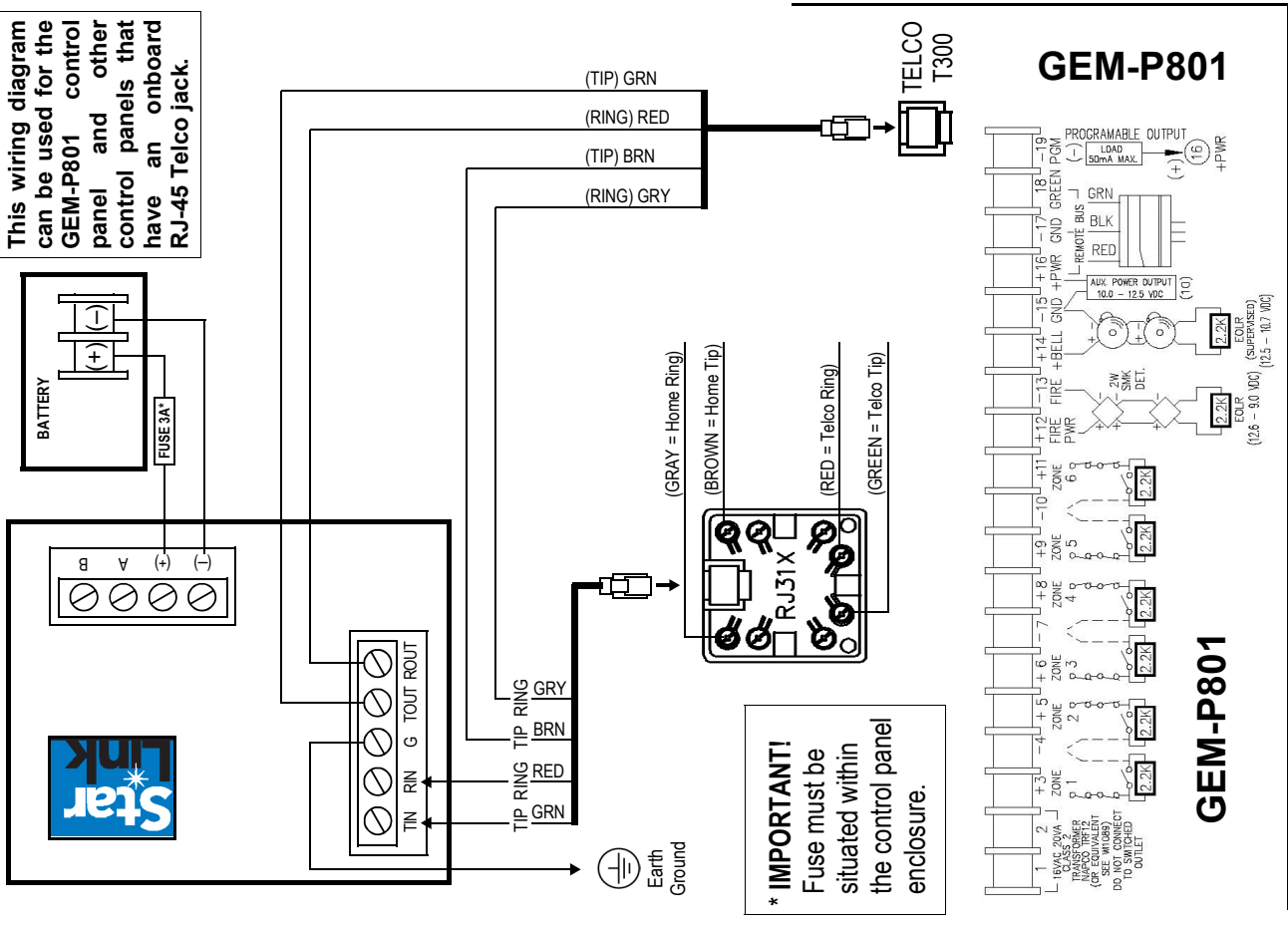


Fig. 4. Wiring Diagram: StarLink and TELCO

# PRIMARY (with GEM-P801)



# BACKUP (with GEM-P801)



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