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**Dimmer Installation Instructions** 

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### Incandescent/Magnetic Low-Voltage Dimmer

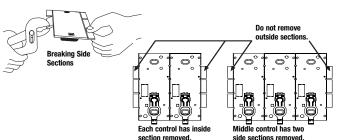
VT-600: 120 V~ 60 Hz 600 W (600 VA / 450 W) VT-600M: 120 V~ 60 Hz 600 W (600 VA / 450 W) VT-1000M: 120 V~ 60 Hz 1000 W (1000 VA / 800 W) **Companion Dimmer** VT-AD: 120 V~ 60 Hz 8.3 A 277 V~ 60 Hz 6 A Important Notes:

- Please read before installing.
  1. To avoid overheating and possible damage to other equipment, do not use to control receptacles, fluorescent lighting fixtures, motor-operated appliances, transformer-supplied appliances, or electronic low-voltage lighting fixtures. Install in accordance with all national and local electrical codes
- When "no grounding means" exists within the wallbox, then the NEC<sub>®</sub> 2008, Article 404.9 allows a Dimmer without a grounding connection to be installed as a replacement, as long as a plastic, noncombustible wallplate is used. For this type of installation, cap or remove the green ground wire on the Dimmer, and use an appropriate wallplate, such as a Viertie series wallplate by Lutron.
- Operating a dimmed magnetic low-voltage circuit with all lamps inoperative or removed may result in current flow in excess of normal levels. To avoid possible transformer overheating or failure, Lutron strongly recommends the following: • Do not operate without operative lamps in place.
- Be how operate without operative ramps in prace.
   Replace burned out lamps as soon as possible.
   To prevent premature failure due to overcurrent, use transformers with thermal protection, or fused primary transformer windings.
   Do not paint Dimmers or Companion Dimmers (VT-AD).
- Vierti Dimmers are not compatible with standard 3-way switches Use only with Companion Dimmers (VT-AD) Companion Dimmers (VT-AD) cannot be used individually but must be used in conjunction with a
- Vierti Dimmer in a 3-way/4-way application.
- In any 3-way/4-way circuit, use only one *Vierti* Dimmer with up to four Companion Dimmers.
- DO NOT use Vierti dimmers for compact Fluorescent (Energy Saver) lamps. The Vierti Dimmer may not work with dioded lamps (Sylvania® Designer 16 or Philips® PAR-16).
- Operate between 32 °F (0 °C) and 104 °F (40 °C).
- The Vierti Dimmer may feel warm to the touch during normal operation
- Recommended wallbox depth is 2.5 in (64 mm) minimum.
- A. Maximum total wire length between all *Verti* devices is 100 ft (30.5 m).
   For new installations, install a test switch before installing the Dimmer, or test with a breaker.

### Multigang Installation

Vierti wallplates are available in one to six gang versions. When combining controls in a wallbox, derating is required; see the Derating Chart below.

Note: Companion Dimmers do not need to be derated.



### **Derating Chart**

		Maximum Load		
Dimmer Type	No Sides Removed	1 Side Removed	2 Sides Removed	
<b>Incandescent/Halogen</b> 600 W 1000 W	600 W 1000 W	500 W 800 W	400 W 650 W	
Magnetic Low-Voltage 600 VA / 450 W* 1000 VA / 800 W*	600 VA / 450 W* 1000 VA / 800 W*	500 VA / 400 W* 800 VA / 650 W*	400 VA / 300 W* 650 VA / 500 W*	

\* The maximum lamp wattage is determined by the efficiency of the transformer, with 70%—85% as typical. For actual transformer efficiency, contact either the fixture or transformer manufacturer. The total VA rating of the transformer(s) shall not exceed the VA rating of the Dimmer.



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## **Preparing for Installation**

## **Turning Power OFF**

- Turn power OFF at circuit breaker (or remove fuse).

WARNING: Verify that power is OFF before proceeding. Failure to turn power OFF could cause death or serious injury.

#### Removing the Wallplate and the Switch 2

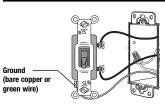
Remove the wallplate and the switch mounting screws.

· Carefully remove the switch from the wall (do not remove wires)



3 Identifying the Circuit Type

### 3a - Single-Location Control



3b - Two-Location Control

screw (COMMON)

areen wire)

3c - Three or More-Location Control

areen wire)

Note: Screw

your switch.

Same colored

marked IN o

screw (or

OUT)

placement may be different or

#### One switch controlling a light fixture. This will be a single-pole switch. The switch will have two insulated wires connected to two screws of the same color plus a bare copper or green insulated wire to a green ground screw.

Two switches controlling a light fixture.

Both will be 3-way switches. Each switch will have insulated wires connected to three screws plus a bare copper or green insulated

wire to a green ground screw. One of these

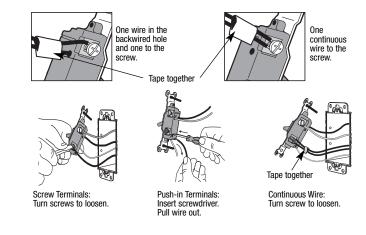
wires is connected to a screw of a different color (not green) or labeled COMMON.

Tag this wire on both switches to identify

when rewiring.

# **Disconnecting the Switch Wires**

Important Note: Your wall switch may have two wires attached to the same screw (see illustrations below for examples). Tape these two wires together before disconnecting. When rewiring, connect these wires to the Dimmer the same way they were connected to the removed switch



# Installing the Dimmer

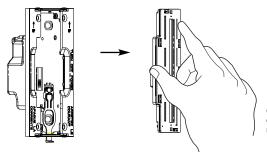
#### -5 **Removing the Front Wallplate**

• The Dimmer has a pre-installed Vierti wallplate. Remove the wallplate before proceeding with the installation



#### **Removing the Front Module** 6

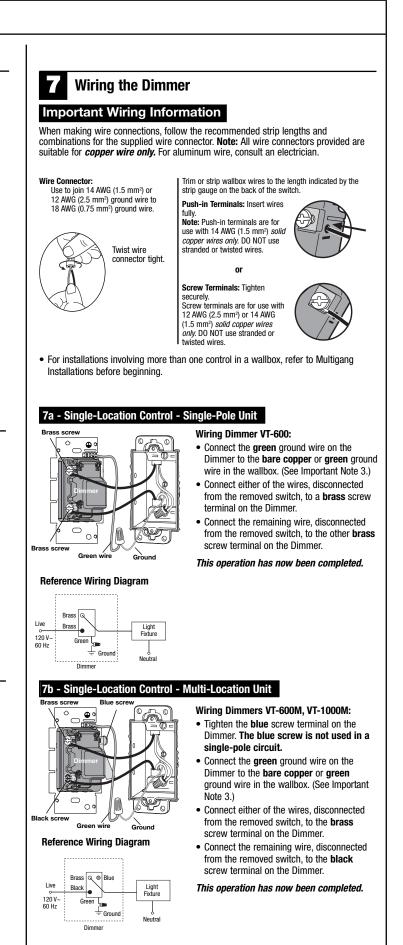
The Dimmer has a pre-installed front module containing LEDs. Before proceeding with the installation, grab the module and pull it straight out. Removing the Front Module will expose the mounting holes.



Grasp front module on sides and pull to remove.

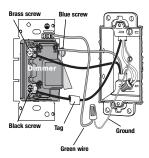
Three or more switches controlling a light fixture.

Two will be 3-way switches and any others will be 4-way switches. Tag the wires of the two 3-way switches as in the Two-Location figure above. The 4-way switch will have insulated wires connected to four screws plus a bare copper or green insulated wire to a green ground screw. Tag two insulated wires that are connected to opposite color screws. Follow this procedure for each 4-way switch.



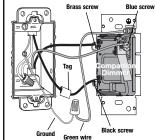
### 7c - Two-Location Control

One location will be replaced with a Dimmer and the other with a Companion Dimmer.



#### Wiring Dimmers VT-600M. VT-1000M: • Connect the areen around wire on the Dimmer to the **bare copper** or **green** ground

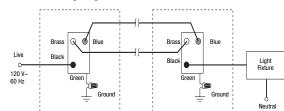
- wire in the wallbox. (See Important Note 3.) • Connect the tagged wire, disconnected from the removed switch, to the **black** screw terminal on the Dimmer.
- Connect one of the remaining wires. disconnected from the removed switch, to the brass screw terminal on the Dimmer.
- Connect the remaining wire, disconnected from the removed switch (note wire color), to the blue screw terminal on the Dimmer.



#### Wiring Companion Dimmer (VT-AD): • Connect the green ground wire on the Companion Dimmer to the bare copper or green ground wire in the wallbox.

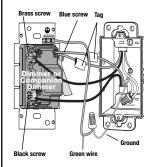
- (See Important Note 3.) Connect the tagged wire, disconnected from the removed switch, to the black screw terminal on the Companion Dimmer.
- Connect the same color wire connected to the blue screw terminal on the Dimmer (wire color noted above) to the **blue** screw terminal on the Companion Dimmer.
- Connect the remaining wire, disconnected from the removed switch, to the brass screw terminal on the Companion Dimmer. This operation has now been completed.

**Reference Wiring Diagram** 



### 7d - Three or More-Location Control

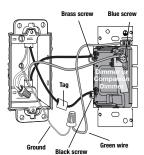
One location will be replaced with a Dimmer and the others with Companion Dimmers. Only one Dimmer can be used with up to four Companion Dimmers.



### Replace the 4-way switch(es):

Note: 4-way switches may be replaced with either a Dimmer or a Companion Dimmer.

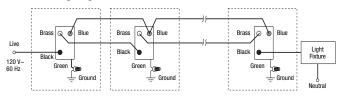
- Connect the green ground wire on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer to the bare copper or green ground wire in the wallbox. (See Important Note 3.)
- Connect both of the tagged wires (note their color), disconnected from the removed 4-way switch, to the **blue** screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer (one wire to the screw and the other to the push-in terminal)
- · Connect one of the remaining wires, disconnected from the removed switch, to the black screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer.
- · Connect the remaining wire, disconnected from the removed switch, to the **brass** screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer.



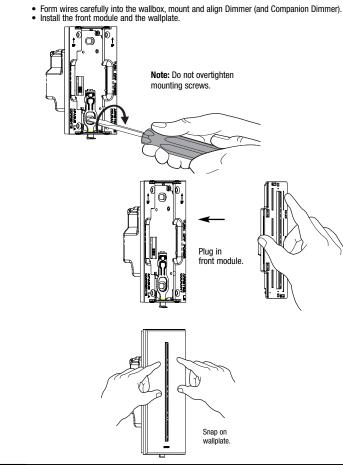
### Replace the 3-way switches:

- Connect the green ground wire on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer to the bare copper or **areen** ground wire in the wallbox. (See Important Note 3.)
- Connect the tagged wire, disconnected from the removed switch, to the **black** screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer
- Connect the same color wire, connected to the blue screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer (that replaced a 4-way switch; wire color noted previously) to the **blue** screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer.
- · Connect the remaining wire, disconnected from the removed switch, to the brass screw terminal on the Dimmer/Companion Dimmer. This operation has now been completed.

#### **Reference Wiring Diagram**

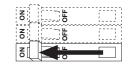


### Mounting the Dimmer or Companion Dimmer(s) to the Wallbox



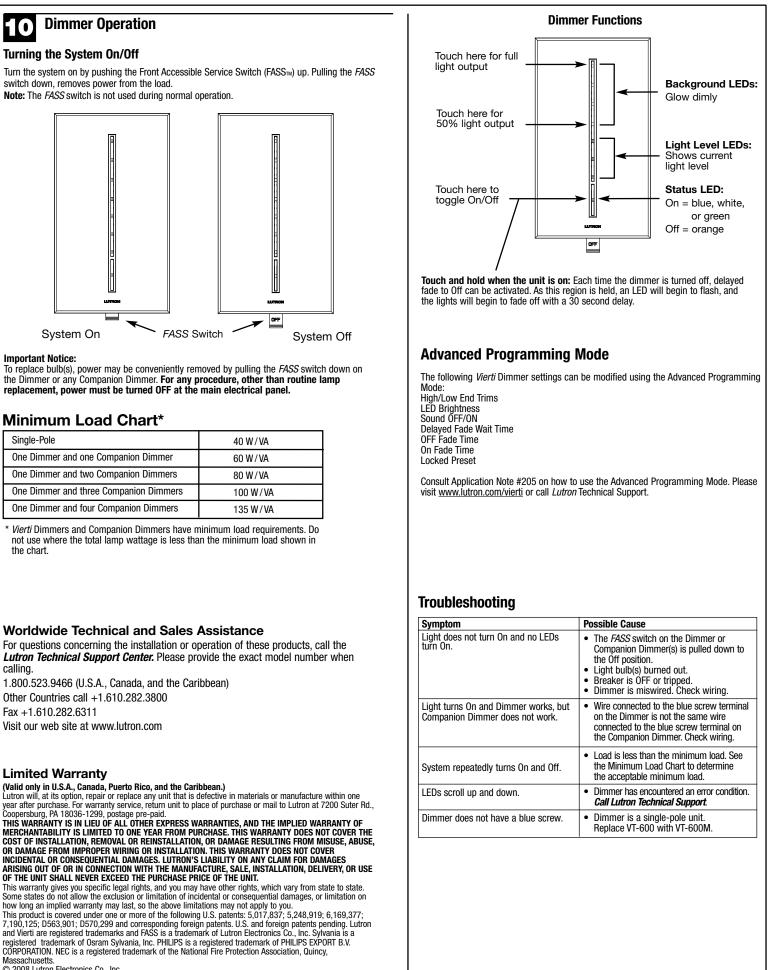
### Turning Power ON

Turn the power ON at the circuit breaker (or replace the fuse).



### Turning the System On/Off

switch down, removes power from the load.



#### Important Notice:

the Dimmer or any Companion Dimmer. For any procedure, other than routine lamp replacement, power must be turned OFF at the main electrical panel.

### **Minimum Load Chart\***

Single-Pole	40 W / VA		
One Dimmer and one Companion Dimmer	60 W/VA		
One Dimmer and two Companion Dimmers	80 W/VA		
One Dimmer and three Companion Dimmers	100 W/VA		
One Dimmer and four Companion Dimmers	135 W/VA		

\* Vierti Dimmers and Companion Dimmers have minimum load requirements. Do not use where the total lamp wattage is less than the minimum load shown in the chart

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