The Keep-Alive™ (KA) devices are used to supply power to decoders during times of power interruption due to dirty track or problematic track work. The KA3 will power an HO-Scale locomotive with headlights on for approximately 6 to 20 seconds (depending on the locomotive and the efficiency of the motor). This KA3 will work with Keep-Alive™ ready decoders and most non-TCS decoders. TCS decoders manufactured after February 2012 are Keep-Alive™ ready.

**WIRING DIAGRAM**

This is an example hookup showing the KA3 connected to a TCS KA ready Decoder

**INSTALLATION**

For detailed installation information visit our website where we maintain a constantly growing database of a wide range of locomotives and decoders.
TCS Keep-Alive™

Keep-Alive™ (KA) Decoder Compatibility
The TCS KA’s are designed to operate with the TCS Keep-Alive™ ready decoders. These decoders include an extra Blue wire and a Black w/ White Stripe wire for connecting the KA to the decoder. Decoders with a “-KA” added to the end of the name require hardwiring the KA to the wires coming off the decoder and decoders with a “-KAC” added to their name have a 2-Pin Connector for attaching the KA.

Installation Notes for TCS Decoders
1. Connect the Keep-Alive™ wires to the decoder (Make sure you match the wire colors on the KA to same wire color on the decoder).

2. Program CV 182 to a value of 2.

3. That’s it! Your locomotive is ready to run over the most treacherous of tracks.

NOTE: If you wire this backwards (blue to black w/white stripe) you will VOID the warranty and destroy this device.

WARRANTY PROCEDURE: All decoders are covered by a one year goof proof, no questions asked warranty. Please return in a small box.
1. You MUST register the failed decoder on our website at www.tcsdcc.com. If you do not have access to a computer you MUST call to register your warranty at: (267) 733-3408
2. Print out a copy of the Warranty Registration and include it in the box with the decoder(s).
3. Return decoder(s) directly to us using the address below.

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