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VacClad-W 38 kV, arc-resistant metal-clad medium-voltage drawout vacuum breakers

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General Description

Arc-Resistant Metal-Clad Switchgear Medium-Voltage

Application Description
Eaton has been manufacturing arc-resistant metal-clad switchgear since 1990. Eaton was the first major North American manufacturer to design, test and manufacture arc-resistant switchgear in accordance with EEMAC G14.1. We now offer Type 2 and 2B arc-resistant switchgear assemblies, designed and tested in accordance with the IEEE C37.20.7, with Type VCP-W drawout vacuum circuit breakers.

Eaton’s VacClad-W metal-clad arc-resistant switchgear with Type VCP-W vacuum circuit breakers can be configured in various combinations of breakers and auxiliaries to satisfy user’s application requirements. One-high and two-high arrangements can be provided when required.

Arc-Resistant Switchgear—Accessibility Types

Arc-resistant switchgear performance is defined by its accessibility type in accordance with IEEE test guide C37.20.7 as follows:

Type 1—Switchgear with arc-resistant designs or features at the freely accessible front of the equipment only.

Type 2—Switchgear with arc-resistant designs or features at the freely accessible exterior (front, back and sides) of the equipment only. (Type 2 incorporates Type 1.)

Type 2B—Switchgear with Type 2 accessibility plus arc-resistant in front of the instrument/control compartment with the instrument/control compartment door opened. (Type 2B incorporates Type 2.)

Eaton’s 38 kV switchgear is designed and tested to IEEE Type 2.

Arc-resistant features are intended to provide an additional degree of protection to the personnel performing normal operating duties in close proximity to the equipment while the equipment is operating under normal conditions. The normal operating conditions for proper application of arc-resistant switchgear designs are as follows:

- All doors and covers providing access to high-voltage components are properly closed and latched
- Pressure relief devices are free to operate
- The fault energy available to the equipment does not exceed the rating of the equipment (short-circuit current and duration)
- There are no obstructions around the equipment that could direct the arc fault products into an area intended to be protected
- The equipment is properly grounded

The user should also refer to documents such as NFPA 70E, for safety training and safe work practices and methods of evaluating safe work distances from energized equipment based on the potential flash hazard, and use proper PPE when working on or near energized equipment with the door/cover opened or not properly secured.

Standards

Switchgear Assembly
Eaton's VacClad-W metal-clad arc-resistant switchgear meets or exceeds the following standards and test guides:

- IEEE C37.20.2 — Standards for Metal-Clad Switchgear
- IEEE C37.20.7 — Guide for Testing Metal-Enclosed Switchgear for Internal Arcing Faults

Canadian Documents
- CSA C22.2 No. 31-04 — Switchgear Assemblies
- EEMAC G8-3.2 — Metal-Clad and Station Type Cubicle Switchgear
- EEMAC G14-1 — Procedure for testing the resistance of metal-clad switchgear under conditions of arcing due to an internal fault. The G14-1 was the first North American testing guide introduced in 1987

Circuit Breakers
The Type VCP-W and VCP-WC vacuum circuit breakers, used in VacClad-W arc-resistant switchgear, meet or exceed all ANSI and IEEE standards applicable to ac high-voltage circuit breakers rated on symmetrical current basis, including but not limited to: C37.04, C37.06, and C37.09.

Arc-Resistant Metal-Clad Switchgear
Arc-resistant metal-clad switchgear also conforms to C37.20.2 and is tested as such for short time and momentary short-circuit withstand for through bolted fault as noted on Page 5.1-2. In addition, the enclosure is also tested in accordance with IEEE guide C37.20.7 for withstand against the effects of internal arcing faults as shown in Figure 5.2-1.

Figure 5.7-1. Arc-Resistant Switchgear Enclosure Internal Arcing Short-Circuit Withstand Test

Internal arcing faults are those faults occurring in air, phase-to-phase or phase-to-ground, within the confines of the switchgear enclosure. Arcing faults can occur within a switchgear compartment as a result of insulation failure or human error. The arcing fault produces a tremendous release of heat energy at the point of the fault, which heats and expands the air volume within the enclosure, and may decompose or vaporize materials exposed to an arc or involved in its path.
The effects of this type of fault vary depending on enclosure volume, arc duration, arc voltage, and available short-circuit current. If the switchgear is not designed and tested to withstand effects of internal arcing faults, its parts could blow away along with discharge of hot decomposed matter, gaseous or particulate, causing injury to personnel that may be present in its vicinity. Arc-resistant switchgear is designed to channel and control effects of the arcing fault and its enclosure is tested for withstand against such fault in accordance with IEEE guide C37.20.7.

Medium-Voltage Vacuum Circuit Breaker Features and Ratings
VacClad-W metal-clad arc-resistant switchgear is designed for use with Eaton’s state-of-the-art medium-voltage vacuum type VCP-W (standard ANSI) and VCP-WC (extra capability) circuit breakers. Refer to Table 5.7-1 and Table 5.7-5 for complete list of available ratings.

Arc-Resistant Enclosure and Arc Exhaust
VacClad-W arc-resistant switchgear is designed to withstand effects of internal arcing faults up to its rated arc short-circuit current and duration. The arc-withstand capability of the switchgear enclosure is achieved by use of reinforced heavier gauge steel where needed, smart latching of doors and covers, and top-mounted built-in pressure relief system. Following are standard design features built into each arc-resistant switchgear assembly.

- The formed steel compartment design provides sealed joints under fault conditions. This prevents smoke and gas from escaping to other compartments, a condition that can occur with switchgear compartments designed with conventional flat bolted panels.

- Integral, pressure release flap vents mounted on top of each individual vertical section provide for controlled upward release of arc created over-pressure, fire, smoke, gases and molten material out of the assembly without affecting structural integrity, and protect personnel who might be present in the vicinity of the switchgear.

- The structure roof, including the pressure release flap vents, is drip proof. The design is made strong such that the roof can be “walked-on” when the gear is completely de-energized (for example, during installation).

- Because arc pressure is vented out through the top of each individual vertical section, the equipment damage is confined to individual structures, minimizing damage to adjacent structures.

Circuit Breaker Compartment
- The levering mechanism is mechanically interlocked with the compartment door such that the door cannot be opened until the circuit breaker is opened and levered out to the test/disconnect position. This interlocking ensures that the levering of the circuit breaker into or out from the connected position is done with compartment door closed and latched, with no exposure to potential arc flash.

- Easy access and viewing ports are provided on the door to allow operator to carry out normal functions with the door closed and latched, with no exposure to potential arc flash. Those functions include: Breaker levering and manual opening of the circuit breaker, viewing of open/close status of the breaker main contacts, viewing of charged/discharged status of the closing springs, viewing of mechanical operations counter, and breaker position.

Auxiliary Compartments
VacClad arc-resistant 38 kV designs permit maximum of two auxiliary drawers in one vertical section.

- Each auxiliary drawer is equipped with cell-mounted levering mechanism. The mechanism is mechanically interlocked with its compartment door such that the door cannot be opened and access to auxiliary drawer cannot be gained until the drawer is first levered out to the disconnected position. This interlocking ensures that the levering of the auxiliary drawer into or out from the connected position is done with compartment door closed and latched, with no exposure to potential arc flash.

- A viewing window is provided on the door and on front panel of the drawer to allow viewing of the drawer position and the primary fuses.

- In 38 kV designs, fuse drawer can be provided with two primary fuses and connected to a fixed-mounted CPT (single-phase 25 kVA maximum) in the rear of the structure. Please note that in 38 kV designs, a fuse drawer requires a full vertical section, because it occupies the same compartment space as required for a circuit breaker.

Control Compartments
The control compartment doors can be opened to access control wiring without having to de-energize the primary circuit. The control compartments have been tested to provide arc-resistant protection with its door opened under normal operating condition. Please note the control compartment door should be opened only for access to control wiring when needed, and should remain closed at all other times.

Arc Exhaust Wall and Arc Exhaust Chamber (Plenum)
Refer to Page 5.7-27.
## Arc-Resistant Metal-Clad Switchgear Assembly Ratings

VacClad-W metal-clad arc-resistant switchgear is available for application at voltages up to 38 kV, 50 or 60 Hz. Refer to the table below for complete list of available ratings.

### Table 5.7-1. VacClad-W Arc-Resistant Metal-Clad Switchgear Ratings

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Rated Maximum Voltage (Ref.)</th>
<th>Rated Voltage Range Factor K</th>
<th>Insulation Level</th>
<th>Rated Short-Time Current (Ref. only)</th>
<th>Rated Main Bus Continuous Current</th>
<th>Rated Short-Time Current withstand (2-Second)</th>
<th>Rated Momentary Short-Circuit Current withstand (10-Cycle) (167 ms)</th>
<th>Accessibility Type</th>
<th>Rated Arc Short-Circuit Current</th>
<th>Rated Arc Duration</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>2000, 2500, 3000</td>
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<td>31.5</td>
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<td>85</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>35</td>
<td>2000, 2500, 3000</td>
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<td>95</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>B</td>
<td>35</td>
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<td>40</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>2000, 2500, 3000</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>B</td>
<td>40</td>
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</table>

1. The switchgear assembly is designed for use with type VCP-W, VCP-WC and VCP-WG circuit breakers. However, please note that certain VCP-WC circuit breakers may have higher capabilities than required by ANSI standards. In such cases, switchgear assembly ratings as given in this table will apply.
2. Switchgear assemblies can be supplied with UL/CSA label. Contact Eaton for availability.
3. 27–38 kV switchgear is supplied with arc wall. For plenum requirements at 27 and 38 kV, contact Eaton.
4. Maximum continuous current rating for circuit breaker that can be supplied at 38 kV is 2500 A.
5. Please note that use of certain current transformers (for example, bar type CTs) and protective devices may limit the duration to a value less than 2 seconds.
6. These values exceed 2.6*K*I required by IEEE C37.20.2-2015.
7. These values exceed 1.6*K*I required by IEEE C37.20.2-2015.
Usual and Unusual Service Conditions

Usual Service Conditions
Usual service conditions for operation of metal-clad switchgear are as follows:
- Altitude does not exceed 3300 feet (1000 m)
- Ambient temperature within the limits of –30 °C and +40 °C (–22 °F and +104 °F)
- The effect of solar radiation is not significant

Applications Above 3300 Feet (1006 m)
Equipment utilizing sealed interrupting devices (such as vacuum interrupters) does not require derating of rated maximum voltage. The rated one-minute power frequency withstand voltage, the impulse withstand voltage and the continuous current rating must be multiplied by the appropriate correction factor in Table 5.7-4 to obtain modified ratings that must equal or exceed the application requirements.

Note: Intermediate values may be obtained by interpolation.

Applications Above or Below 40 °C Ambient
Refer to ANSI C37.20.2, Section 8.4 for load current-carrying capabilities under various conditions of ambient temperature and load.

Applications at Frequencies Less Than 60 Hz

Rated Short-Circuit Current
Based on series of actual tests performed on Type VCP-W circuit breakers and analysis of these test data and physics of vacuum interrupters, it has been found that the current interruption limit for Type VCP-W circuit breakers is proportional to the square root of the frequency. Table 5.7-2 provides derating factors, which must be applied to breaker interrupting current at various frequencies.

Table 5.7-2. Derating Factors

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Interrupting Current Derating Factors</th>
<th>50 Hz</th>
<th>25 Hz</th>
<th>16 Hz</th>
<th>12 Hz</th>
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<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>0.65</td>
<td>0.52</td>
<td>0.45</td>
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Rated Short-Time and Close and Latch Currents
No derating is required for short time and close and latch current at lower frequency.

Rated Continuous Current
Because the effective resistance of circuit conductors is less at lower frequency, continuous current through the circuit can be increased somewhat. Table 5.7-3 provides nominal current rating for VCP-W breakers when operated at frequencies below 60 Hz.

Table 5.7-3. Current Ratings

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Rated Continuous Current at 60 Hz</th>
<th>Nominal Current at Frequency Below 60 Hz</th>
<th>50 Hz</th>
<th>25 Hz</th>
<th>16 Hz</th>
<th>12 Hz</th>
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<tr>
<td>1200 A</td>
<td>1243</td>
<td>1410</td>
<td>1519</td>
<td>1689</td>
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<tr>
<td>2000 A</td>
<td>2075</td>
<td>2374</td>
<td>2573</td>
<td>2703</td>
<td></td>
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<td>3000 A</td>
<td>3119</td>
<td>3597</td>
<td>3923</td>
<td>4139</td>
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</table>

Power Frequency and Impulse Withstand Voltage Ratings
No derating is required for lower frequency.

CTs, VTs, Relays and Instruments
Application at frequency other than rated frequency must be verified for each device on an individual basis.

Table 5.7-4. Altitude Derating Factors

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Altitude Above Sea Level in Feet (m)</th>
<th>Altitude Correction Factor to be Applied to:</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Voltage</td>
<td>Rated Continuous Current</td>
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<tr>
<td>3300 (1006) (and Below)</td>
<td>1.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4000 (1219)</td>
<td>0.98</td>
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<tr>
<td>5000 (1524)</td>
<td>0.95</td>
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<tr>
<td>6000 (1829)</td>
<td>0.92</td>
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<tr>
<td>6600 (2012)</td>
<td>0.91</td>
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<tr>
<td>7000 (2137)</td>
<td>0.89</td>
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<td>8000 (2438)</td>
<td>0.86</td>
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<td>9000 (2743)</td>
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<td>10,000 (3048)</td>
<td>0.80</td>
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<td>12,000 (3658)</td>
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<td>13,200 (4023)</td>
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<td>14,000 (4267)</td>
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<td>16,000 (4877)</td>
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<tr>
<td>16,400 (5000)</td>
<td>0.64</td>
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<tr>
<td>18,000 (5486)</td>
<td>0.61</td>
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<td>20,000 (6096)</td>
<td>0.56</td>
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Unusual Service Conditions
Applications of metal-clad switchgear at other than usual altitude or temperature, or where solar radiation is significant, require special consideration. Other unusual service conditions that may affect design and application include:
- Exposure to salt air, hot or humid climate, excessive dust, dripping water, falling dirt, or other similar conditions
- Unusual transportation or storage conditions
- Switchgear assemblies when used as the service disconnecting means
- Installations accessible to the general public
- Exposure to seismic shock
- Exposure to nuclear radiation
# Circuit Breakers

## Table 5.7-5. Available 27/38 kV VCP-W Vacuum Circuit Breaker Types Rated on Symmetrical Current Rating Basis, Per ANSI Standards 📖

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Circuit Breaker Type</th>
<th>Nominal Voltage Class</th>
<th>Nominal 3-Phase MVA Class</th>
<th>Voltage Insulation Level</th>
<th>Current</th>
<th>Rated Transient Recovery Voltage</th>
<th>Rated Time to Crest</th>
<th>Rated Rate of Rise of Recovery Voltage</th>
<th>Rated Permissible Tripping Delay</th>
<th>Rated Reclosing Time</th>
<th>Rated Maximum Voltage Divided by K Times Rated Short-Circuit Current</th>
<th>Closing and Latching Capability (Momentary)</th>
<th>Asymmetry Factor for VCP-W Breakers</th>
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<tr>
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<td>kV Class</td>
<td>MVA Class</td>
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<tr>
<td>380 VCP-W 16</td>
<td>34.5</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>170</td>
<td>E2 Crest</td>
<td>12000</td>
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<td>71</td>
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<td>170</td>
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<td>71</td>
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1. For capacitor switching, refer to Table 5.7-6.
2. 27 and 38 kV breakers are not UL listed.
3. Circuit breakers shown in this table were tested in accordance with IEEE standard C37.09-1979.
4. For three-phase and line-to-line faults, the symmetrical interrupting capability at an operating voltage

\[
I_{sc} = \frac{V}{V_o} (\text{Rated Short-Circuit Current})
\]

But not to exceed \(K_I\).

5. Single line-to-ground fault capability at an operating voltage

\[
I_{sc} = 1.15 \frac{V}{V_o} (\text{Rated Short-Circuit Current})
\]

But not to exceed \(K_I\).

6. The above apply on predominately inductive or resistive three-phase circuits with normal-frequency line-to-line recovery voltage equal to the operating voltage.

7. 4 3000 A continuous rating is available for 38 kV. Contact Eaton for details.

\[
RRRV = 1.13 \frac{E_2}{T_2}
\]

8. 3-cycle rating available, refer to Table 5.7-6.
9. Tripping may be delayed beyond the rated permissible tripping delay at lower values of current in accordance with the following formula:

\[
T (\text{seconds}) = Y \left( \frac{KT_{\text{Times Rated Short-Circuit Current}}}{\text{Short-Circuit Current Through Breaker}} \right)
\]

The aggregate tripping delay on all operations within any 30-minute period must not exceed the time obtained from the above formula.

10. For reclosing service, there is no derating necessary for Eaton's VCP-W family of circuit breakers. \(R = 100\%\). Type VCP-W breaker can perform the O-C-O per ANSI C37.09; O-0.3s-CO-15s-CO per IEC 56; and some VCP-Ws have performed O-0.3s-CO-15s-CO-15s-CO-15s-CO; all with no derating. Contact Eaton for special reclosing requirements.

11. For higher close and latch ratings, refer to Table 5.7-6.
12. Included for reference only.
13. Asymmetrical interrupting capability = “S” times symmetrical interrupting capability, both at specified operating voltage.

14. ANSI standard requires 150 kV BIL. All 38 kV ratings are tested to 170 kV BIL.

15. Type 380 VCP-W 40 circuit breaker is not rated for rapid reclosing.
Industry Leader VCP-WC

Introducing the VCP-WC extra capability medium-voltage drawout circuit breaker. Designed to provide all the industry-leading features expected of the VCP-W, plus extra capabilities for those application requirements that go beyond what is usually experienced. The performance enhancement features of the VCP-WC make it an ideal choice for capacitor switching duty, high altitude applications, transformer secondary fault protection, locations with concentrations of rotating machinery or high operating endurance requirements, just to mention a few. Consider these capability enhancements:

- Definite purpose capacitor switching
- Higher close and latch
- Faster rate of rise of recovery voltage
- Higher short-circuit current
- Higher mechanical endurance
- Higher insulation level
- Higher voltage ratings with K=1
- 3-cycle interrupting time
- Higher switching life
- Designed and tested to ANSI standards and higher
- WR fixed retrofit configuration available

Vacuum Circuit Breaker Design Leadership

Eaton is a world leader in vacuum interrupter and vacuum circuit breaker technology, offering VCP-WC with extra capabilities without sacrificing the proven features already standard with other VCP-W circuit breakers. Features such as:

- Vacuum interrupters with copper-chrome contacts
- V-Flex non-sliding current transfer system
- Visible contact erosion indicators
- Visible contact wipe indicators
- Front, functionally grouped controls and indicators
- Epoxy insulation (27/38 kV)
- Front, vertically mounted stored energy mechanism
- Drawout on extension rails
- Integrally mounted wheels
- Quality Assurance Certificate

The Type VCP-WC Breakers are not Interchangeable with Standard VCP-W Breakers. They are Equipped with Different Code Plates and Taller Front Panels.
### Table 5.7-6: VWC Ratings (Symmetrical Current Basis), Rated K = 1

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Circuit Breaker Type</th>
<th>Voltage (V)</th>
<th>Insulation Level</th>
<th>Current Short-Circuit Current</th>
<th>Maximum Permissible Tripping Delay</th>
<th>Rate of Rise of Recovery Voltage (RRRV) ( \circ )</th>
<th>Capacitor Switching Ratings</th>
<th>Mechanical Endurance</th>
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<td>kV rms K</td>
<td>kV rms Peak A rms</td>
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<td>380 VCP-W 16C 38 1 80 170 1200 2000 16 75 23.3 50 16 50 2.0 0.7 1.3 50 50 250 250 &amp; 1000 20 20 &amp; 20 4.4 5 &amp; 5 10,000</td>
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1. Except as noted.
2. 3 cycles.
3. Contact Eaton for higher RRRV or for more information.
4. 2000 A FC to 3000 A.
5. 2500 A FC to 3000 A.
6. Tested at 27 kV, 350 A isolated or back-to-back capacitor bank, inrush current 4.6 kA, inrush frequency 1.2 kHz.

**Note:** 38 kV, 2500 A and 3000 A W breakers are not rated for rapid reclosing.
Type VCP-W Circuit Breaker Operating Times

The closing time (initiation of close signal to contact make) and opening time (initiation of the trip signal to contact break) are shown in Table 5.7-7. Figure 5.7-2 below shows the sequence of events in the course of circuit interruption, along with applicable VCP-W circuit breaker timings.

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<tr>
<th>Rated Control Voltage</th>
<th>Breaker Rating</th>
<th>Closing Time Milliseconds</th>
<th>Opening Time Milliseconds</th>
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<td>48V, 125V, 250Vac/dc</td>
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<td>30–45</td>
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<td>120Vac</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>45–60</td>
<td>—</td>
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<tr>
<td>120V or 240Vac capacitor trip</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>26–41</td>
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<tr>
<td>Optional—undervoltage trip release 48V, 125V, 250Vac/dc</td>
<td>All</td>
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<td>30–45</td>
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Figure 5.7-2. Sequence of Events and Circuit Breaker Operating Times

- Times shown are based on 60 Hz.
- % dc component capability (and asymmetry factor S) depend on the minimum contact parting time. The % dc component capability is M 50% (S factor M 1.2) for all VCP-W circuit breakers.

Figure 5.7-3. Typical Transfer Times

- Times shown are based on 60 Hz.
Protective Relays and Metering

Integrated Monitoring Protection and Control
Communications System
Eaton’s power management products provide hardware and software solutions that allow customers to interface with their switchgear at varying levels of sophistication. Power Xpert and IQ Meters monitor common electrical parameters and communicate the data via standard industry protocols and optional Web interfaces. Power Xpert Gateways consolidate devices into a single Web browser interface and provide Ethernet connectivity. Eaton’s Foreseer Web-based software systems display, analyze and store data from multiple devices across the facility to enable management of the customer’s power system.

Protective Relays
A full scope of protective relays designed to meet all application requirements is available to provide the utmost in system and component protection.

Instrument Transformers
Instrument transformers are used to protect personnel and secondary devices from high voltage, and permit use of reasonable insulation levels for relays, meters and instruments. The secondaries of standard instrument transformers are rated at 5 A and/or 120 V, 60 Hz.

Voltage Transformers
Selection of the ratio for voltage transformers is seldom a question since the primary rating should be equal to or higher than the system line-to-line voltage. The number of potential transformers per set and their connection is determined by the type of system and the relaying and metering required.

When two VTs are used, they are typically connected L-L, and provide phase-to-phase voltages, (Vab, Vbc, Vca) for metering and relaying.

When three VTs are used, they are connected L-G, and provide phase-to-ground voltages, (Va, Vb, Vc) for metering and relaying.

Current Transformers
The current transformer ratio is generally selected so that the maximum load current will read about 70% full scale on a standard 5 A coil ammeter. Therefore, the current transformer primary rating should be 140–150% of the maximum load current.

Maximum system fault current can sometimes influence the current transformer ratio selection because the connected secondary devices have published one-second ratings.

The zero-sequence current transformer is used for sensitive ground fault relaying or self-balancing primary current type machine differential protection. The zero-sequence current transformer is available with a nominal ratio of 50/5 or 100/5 and available opening size for power cables of 7.25 inches (184.2 mm). Special zero-sequence transformers with larger windows are also available.

The minimum number of current transformers for circuit relaying and instruments is three current transformers, one for each phase or two-phase connected current transformers and one zero-sequence current transformer. Separate sets of current transformers are required for differential relays.

The minimum pickup of a ground relay in the residual of three-phase connected current transformers is primarily determined by the current transformer ratio. The relay pickup can be reduced by adding one residual connected auxiliary current transformer. This connection is very desirable on main incoming and tie circuits of low resistance grounded circuits.

Standard accuracy current transformers are normally more than adequate for most standard applications of microprocessor-based protective relays and meters. See Table 5.7-10 for CT accuracy information.
### Table 5.7-8. Standard Voltage Transformer Ratio Information

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<tr>
<th>Rating-Volts</th>
<th>2400</th>
<th>4200</th>
<th>4800</th>
<th>7200</th>
<th>8400</th>
<th>10800</th>
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### Table 5.7-9. Standard Voltage Transformer, 60 Hz Accuracy Information

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<tr>
<th>Switchgear Voltage Transformer—ANSI Accuracy</th>
<th>kV Class</th>
<th>kV BIL</th>
<th>Maximum Number Per Set and Connection</th>
<th>Standard Ratios</th>
<th>Burdens at 120 Volts</th>
<th>Burdens at 69.3 Volts</th>
<th>Thermal Rating</th>
<th>Volt-Ampere</th>
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<td>38</td>
<td>170</td>
<td>2LL or 3LG</td>
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① For solidly grounded system only.

**Note:** LL = Line-to-line connection. LG = Line-to-ground connection.

### Table 5.7-10. Current Transformers, 55 °C Ambient

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CT Ratio (MR = Multi-Ratio)</th>
<th>Metering Accuracy Classification</th>
<th>Relaying Accuracy Classification</th>
<th>Minimum Accuracy Required per IEEE C37.20.2</th>
<th>Standard Accuracy Supplied in VCP-W Switchgear</th>
<th>Optional High Accuracy Available in VCP-W Switchgear</th>
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<td>At 60 Hz Standard Burden B 0.1</td>
<td>At 60 Hz Standard Burden B 0.5</td>
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① Not listed in C37.20.2.

**Note:** Maximum number of CTs—Two sets of standard accuracy or one set of high accuracy CTs can be installed in the breaker compartment on each side of the circuit breaker.
Ohmic Voltage Sensing (OVS)

Eaton’s Ohmic Voltage Sensing (OVS) is an alternative to traditional VTs in medium voltage. While traditional VTs are susceptible to transients and ferro-resonance, the OVS system is not. The OVS sensor consists of four non-inductive resistors (two medium-voltage resistors in series and two low-voltage resistors in parallel) that serve as a voltage divider; a low-voltage signal from the sensor is sent to the R2m adapter that is connected to the CAPDIS device. The CAPDIS device then sends 120 V signals to the relays and meters in the system (see Figure 5.7-4). The system is designed to be agnostic when meter and relay devices are being selected for use in a protection and controls scheme.

The OVS system is rated for applications 2.4 to 36 kV as a replacement for VTs. The selection of sensors and R2m adapter for the system is dependent on the nominal voltage being applied to the switchgear. The OVS systems must be applied with three sensors installed line to ground; the low-voltage control circuit can be configured to provide a line-to-line or a line-to-ground output dependent upon the wiring to the relay or meter. Relays and meters installed in the protection and controls scheme would process the signal from the OVS system in the same manner it would a VT. The sensors are traditionally mounted in the rear switchgear compartment (see Figure 5.7-5). However, if an existing installation requires the OVS system, it can be retrofitted into the existing VT drawer.

**Technical Data**

- 24 to 230 Vac or Vdc control power for CAPDIS
- Voltage system accuracy better than 2%
- Phase angle accuracy of better than 0.1% over frequency range of 2 kHz
- Burden 0.78 VA L-L, 0.45 VA L-N

**OVS is not to be used to provide any control power to devices in the switchgear, or to be used for utility metering applications.**

The OVS system has been tested to IEEE C37.20.2.2015 Annex D.
Thermal Monitoring

Eaton can provide multiple options for thermal monitoring in switchgear. From infrared (IR) windows to continuous thermal monitoring solutions.

IR windows are placed on the rear covers of the switchgear doors providing the ability to use an IR camera for checking cable connections to circuit breakers. IR windows are applied in different configurations depending on the field of view each window has into the cable compartment of the switchgear. An IR camera is needed for taking pictures through the window to check system health. See Figure 5.7-6 for IR window installation example.

Continuous thermal monitoring systems consist of sensors mounted in the cable compartment, which are hardwired or wireless and connected to a data card or collector to put the information over a control network to be monitored. The temperature measured is a delta t (ambient to bus temperature); some systems require a second sensor for ambient temperature. See Figure 5.7-7 for a continuous thermal monitoring system installation example.

The delta t that can be taken from both systems should be analyzed and compared to industry standards to determine any corrective action required.
Surge Arresters

Surge Protection Summary

**Minimum protection**: Surge arrester for protection from high overvoltage peaks, or surge capacitor for protection from fast-rising transient. Please note that the surge arresters or surge capacitor alone may not provide adequate surge protection from escalating voltages caused by circuit resonance. Note that when applying surge capacitors on both sides of a circuit breaker, surge capacitor on one side of the breaker must be RC snubber or Protec Z, to mitigate possible virtual current chopping.

**Good protection**: Surge arrester in parallel with surge capacitor for protection from high overvoltage peaks and fast rising transient. This option may not provide adequate surge protection from escalating voltages caused by circuit resonance. When applying surge capacitors on both sides of a circuit breaker, surge capacitor on one side of the breaker must be RC snubber or Protec Z, to mitigate possible virtual current chopping.

**Better protection**: RC snubber or Protec Z in parallel with surge arrester for protection from high frequency transients and voltage peaks.

**Best protection**: For optimum or best protection, a switching transient analysis is recommended, and surge protection needs as determined based on such study should be implemented.

Table 5.7-11. Surge Arrester Selections—Recommended Ratings

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<th>Service Voltage Line-to-Line kV</th>
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Integral Motorized Remote Racking Option (VC-W MR2)

VC-W MR2 is an optional motorized racking device accessory installed inside a circuit breaker or auxiliary compartment. It is available for application in circuit breaker compartments of 5/15/27/38 kV Type VC-W arc and non-arc, and 5 kV VC-W ND metal-clad switchgear. This optional accessory allows a user to safely move a circuit breaker between Connected, Test and Disconnected positions and auxiliary drawer (VT, CPT, primary fuse) between Connected and Disconnected positions within their respective compartments from a safe distance away from the switchgear. The MR2 controller also allows a user to electrically open and close the circuit breaker from a safe distance away from the switchgear. For switchgear designs/ratings not included above, contact Eaton for availability of MR2 accessory.

A microprocessor-based controller card, located below the drive motor, interfaces with an external hand-held pendant (standard), discrete external I/O (optional) or external Modbus communication (optional) and controls the breaker/auxiliary drawer movement via the drive motor. The system is also designed such that it allows manual racking of the breaker/auxiliary using the levering crank accessory if needed. The VC-W MR2 controller interface is shown in Figure 5.7-8. The crank safety switch disables the motor whenever a breaker/auxiliary is being manually racked in or out. The connect, test and disconnect limit switches provide breaker/auxiliary position inputs to the controller card. In addition to the standard permissive switch, two terminals are provided for connection of the customer's external interlocking/permissive contact(s). Note that a single-phase 120 Vac control supply is required for proper operation of the VC-W MR2 controller and the drive motor.

When VC-W MR2 integral racking is supplied, its controller card is wired to the CAT 6 jack installed in the associated breaker/auxiliary compartment door, and each switchgear lineup is shipped with one hand-held pendant with 30 feet of CAT 6 cable (lengths up to 100 ft available). The pendant interfaces with the MR2 controller card via the CAT 6 cable through a CAT 6 jack located on the breaker/auxiliary compartment door. It allows the operator to move away from the switchgear up to 30 feet. The pendant includes Enable pushbutton for additional security. It must be pressed in order to activate the pendant functions. By pressing Enable pushbutton and an appropriate function pushbutton together momentarily, the operator can rack the breaker between Connected, Test and Disconnected positions or open or close the breaker or rack the auxiliary drawer between Connected and Disconnected positions. Breaker or auxiliary drawer positions (Connect, Test, Disconnect) and breaker opened/closed status are indicated by appropriate LED lights on the pendant. A blinking light indicates that the breaker/auxiliary is in motion through the selected position.
A solid (non-blinking) light indicates that the breaker/auxiliary has reached and stopped in the selected position. In case normal operation fails, the appropriate error code is displayed in a separate two-character LED display window on the pendant. A list of various error codes and their descriptions along with suggested corrective actions are printed on the back side of the pendant. Examples of error states: motor overcurrent, motor overtemperature, motor timed out, breaker position unknown, open permissive, communication error and no breaker/auxiliary.

In addition to pendant, three optional I/O interfaces can be supplied as follows:

1. I/O interface to allow racking of breaker (connect, test, disconnect) or auxiliary drawer (connect, disconnect) by external hardwired dry contacts and 24 Vdc output for corresponding remote position indicating LEDs.

2. I/O board that provided dry contacts for remote indication of breaker (connect, intermediate, test, disconnect)/auxiliary drawer (connect, test) position within its compartment.

3. I/O interface to allow breaker open/close functions via external hardwired dry contacts and 24 Vdc output for corresponding remote open/close status LEDs.

The remote LED lights are not included with MR2. If the customer needs to operate the MR2 with the hand-held pendant, the pendant becomes the master and will override the customer’s remote control signals.

The VC-W MR2 controller is also equipped with terminal blocks to allow the customer to interface with the controller via their SCADA system using a Modbus interface. Please note that only one of the two options, discrete I/O interface or Modbus interface, can be used, but not both. Figure 5.7-9 shows an illustration of a typical Modbus control example. Additional components shown outside the MR2 controller in Figure 5.7-9 are not included with the MR2. System-level controls can be optionally supplied by Eaton’s Engineering Services & Systems. If the customer needs to operate the MR2 with the hand-held pendant, the pendant becomes the master and will override the Modbus interface. Error codes are displayed on Modbus devices when controlling the MR2 with Modbus and on the pendant when controlling with the pendant.

**Technical Data**

**Control Supply Ratings**
- Nominal control voltage — 120 Vac, 50 or 60 Hz, single-phase
- Control voltage range — 100 to 140 Vac, 50 or 60 Hz
- Time to travel from connect to disconnect, or disconnect to connect — 50 seconds maximum
- Current draw during the travel — 15 A maximum for about 3 seconds and 3.6 A for about 24 seconds
- Optional dry output contacts when included for position indications are rated for 125 Vac, 2 A
- External permissive contacts, when used, must be rated for 24 Vdc, 50 mA

**Requirements for External Contacts and LEDs when Interfacing with MR2**
- External contacts should be rated for minimum open circuit voltage of 24 Vdc, and be able to close and carry 5 mA at 24 Vdc
- When remote LEDs are used, use 24 Vdc rated LEDs, current up to 20 mA
- Optional dry output contacts when included for position indications are rated for 125 Vac, 2 A
- External permissive contacts, when used, must be rated for 24 Vdc, 50 mA

It is the customer’s responsibility to provide single-phase 120 V, 50 or 60 Hz nominal supply for the MR2 controller. It can be derived from within the switchgear if an appropriate control power transformer is available within the switchgear.

Type VC-W MR2 motorized racking accessory has been endurance tested and guaranteed for 500 operations as required by IEEE C37.20.2.
Figure 5.7-8. VC-W MR2 Controller Interface for a VCB with Distinct Test Position and Open/Close Functions
Figure 5.7-9. VC-W MR2 Typical Modbus Control Example
Accessories

Ground and Test Device
The ground and test device is a drawout element that may be inserted into a metal-clad switchgear housing in place of a circuit breaker to provide access to the primary circuits to permit the temporary connection of grounds or testing equipment to the high-voltage circuits. High potential testing of cable or phase checking of circuits are typical tests which may be performed. The devices are insulated to suit the voltage rating of the switchgear and will carry required level of short-circuit current.

Before using ground and test devices, it is recommended that each user develop detailed operating procedures consistent with safe operating practices. Only qualified personnel should be authorized to use ground and test devices.

Manual and electrical ground and test devices are available. These devices include six studs for connection to primary circuits. On the manual device, selection and grounding is accomplished by cable or bus bars connection. On electrical-type devices, grounding is accomplished by an electrically operated grounding switch.

Standard Accessories
- One test jumper
- One levering crank
- One maintenance tool
- One turning handle (5th wheel, 38 kV)

Optional Accessories
- Test cabinet
- Electrical levering device (5–38 kV)
- Manual or electrical ground and test device
- Hi-pot tester
- Integral motorized remote racking (VC-W MR2) for circuit breaker
- Integral motorized remote racking (VC-W MR2) for auxiliary drawer
Partial Discharge in Switchgear

Partial discharge is a common name for various forms of electrical discharges such as corona, surface tracking, and discharges internal to the insulation. It partially bridges the insulation between the conductors. These discharges are essentially small arcs occurring in or on the surface of the insulation system when voltage stress exceeds a critical value. With time, airborne particles, contaminants and humidity lead to conditions that result in partial discharges. Partial discharges start at a low level and increase as more insulation becomes deteriorated. Examples of partial discharge in switchgear are surface tracking across bus insulation, or discharges in the air gap between the bus and a support, such as where a bus passes through an insulating window between the sections of the switchgear. If partial discharge process is not detected and corrected, it can develop into a full-scale insulation failure followed by an electrical fault. Most switchgear flashover and bus failures are a result of insulation degradation caused by various forms of partial discharges.

Sensing and Monitoring

Eaton’s Type VCP-W metal-clad switchgear (2.4–38 kV) is corona-free by design. Corona emissions within the standard VacClad switchgear assemblies have been eliminated or reduced to very low levels by special fabrication and assembly techniques, such as rounding and buffing of all sharp copper edges at the joints, employing star washers for bolting metal barriers, and using specially crafted standoff insulators for primary bus supports. By making switchgear assemblies corona-free, Eaton has made its standard switchgear more reliable. However, as indicated above, with time, airborne particles, contaminants and humidity lead to conditions that cause partial discharges to develop in switchgear operating at voltages 4000 V and above. Type VC-W switchgear can be equipped with factory-installed partial discharge sensors and partial discharge sensing relay for continuous monitoring of the partial discharges under normal operation. Timely detection of insulation degradation through increasing partial discharges can identify potential problems so that corrective actions can be planned and implemented long before permanent deterioration develops. Partial discharge detection can be the foundation of an effective predictive maintenance program. Trending of partial discharge data over time allows prediction of failures, which can be corrected before catastrophic failure occurs.

The PD sensing and monitoring system is optional. It consists of Eaton’s InsulGard™ Relay and PD sensors specifically developed for application in the switchgear to work with the relay.

Partial discharges within the switchgear compartment are detected by installation of a small donut type radio frequency current transformer (RFCT) sensor over floating stress shields of the specially designed bus or line side primary bushings. Partial discharges in customer’s power cables (external discharges) are detected by installation of the RFCT around ground shields of the incoming or outgoing power cables termination.

In 27/38 kV switchgear (refer to Figure 5.7-11), when specified, a set of coupling capacitor sensors is installed in the rear compartment and connected to the primary circuit at every two vertical sections for measurement of discharges internal to the switchgear compartment. The sensor’s output is wired to terminal blocks in control compartment for easy access for periodic field measurements. The sensor can also be connected directly to optional InsulGard relay for continuous monitoring of partial discharges. An additional RFCT sensor for each incoming and outgoing power cable circuits can be provided for measurement of external discharges.
Figure 5.7-10. InsulGard Relay System

Signals (up to 15 Total) from PD Sensors (Coupling Capacitors, RFCT Sensor, RTD Input, etc.)

120 Vac Auxiliary Power

Output

Alarm

Status

Input

Terminal

Block

InsulGard

Relay

Optional

Modem

Temp Sensor

Humidity Sensor

Coupling Capacitor detects partial discharges internal to switchgear compartment.

RFCT detects partial discharges in customer’s cables up to 100 ft from switchgear.

Figure 5.7-11. Typical Partial Discharge Sensor Connections

(27/38 kV Switchgear)
Partial Discharge Sensors and Monitoring for Switchgear

Figure 5.7-12. How the Process Works—Sensing and Data Collection

Relatively high Partial Discharge levels indicate problems in older non-fluidized epoxy insulated MV bus. Problems in cable terminations and in connected equipment can also be revealed.

Figure 5.7-13. How the Process Works—Data Analysis and Report (Sample)
Arc-Resistant Layouts

Typical Application Layouts

Figure 5.7-14. Typical Arc-Resistant Switchgear Application Layouts—38 kV

Notes:
1. Maximum # of CTS:
   - Bus Side
     - 2 sets of standard or 1 set of high accuracy
   - Line/Cable side
     - 3 sets of standard or 1 set of standard and 1 set of high accuracy
2. CT mounting bushings on bus side are provided only when bus side CTs are included.
3. Bottom entry is standard for all power cables. Contact Eaton if top entry is required.
4. Refer to Figure 5.7-15 to Figure 5.7-17 for dimensions.
Available Configurations

Figure 5.7-15. Available Arc-Resistant Switchgear Application Layouts (Front Views)—38 kV—Dimensions in Inches (mm)

1 Please note that an additional 48.00-inch (1219.2 mm) clearance is required above the arc wall for arc exhaust.
Figure 5.7-16. Typical Arc-Resistant Switchgear Sectional (Side Views)—38 kV—Dimensions in Inches (mm)
Figure 5.7-17. Typical Arc-Resistant Switchgear Floor Plan—38 kV—Dimensions in Inches (mm)

1. Suggested locations for 0.50-Inch (12.7 mm) bolts or welding.
2. Secondary control wiring conduit openings, conduit projection must not exceed 1.00 inch (25.4 mm).
4. Minimum left-hinged panel clearance.
5. Recommended minimum rear clearance.
6. Finished foundation surface shall be level within 0.06-inch (1.5 mm) in 36.00 inches (914.4 mm) left-to-right, front-to-back, and diagonally, as measured by a laser level.
7. Floor steel if used, must not exceed dimension under switchgear.
8. Finished foundation (within 0.06-inch (1.5 mm) clearance) must extend under switchgear minimum 1.50 inches (38.1 mm) to a maximum 3.00 inches (76.2 mm).
9. Primary (H.V.) conduit projection must not exceed 2.00 inches (50.8 mm).
10. See shop order base plan for conduit locations.
11. Customer’s ground provisions, provided as shown by symbol on shop order sectional side views.

Supplied by Customer

42.00
(1066.8)
Min.

3.75
(95.3)

139.75
(3295.7)

16.00
(406.4)

34.50
(876.3)

2.00
(50.8)

3.00
(76.2)
Max.

2.20
(55.9)

0.88
(22.4)

2.00
(50.8)

3.75
(95.3)

39.58
(1005.3)

1.50
(38.1)

1.16
(29.5)

1.70
(43.2)

38.00
(965.2)
Min.

3.00
(76.2)

3.00
(76.2)
Max.

40.24
(1022.1)

4.15
(105.4)

61.62
(1565.1)

3.38
(85.9)

7.50
(190.5)

16.38
(416.1)

10

7A

7B

7A

7B

8

9

10

42.00
(1066.8)

84.00
(2133.6)
Min.

4.00-inch (101.6 mm) minimum channel supplied by customer.

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Arc Exhaust Wall—for 27 and 38 kV Switchgear

Figure 5.7-18. Arc Exhaust Wall Above the Switchgear

Arc Exhaust Chamber (Plenum) with Arc Duct Exit—for 5 and 15 kV Switchgear

Figure 5.7-19. Arc Exhaust Chamber (Plenum) with Arc Duct Exit Above the Switchgear

Arc Exhaust wall **Figure 5.7-18** is supplied as standard for all 27/38 kV arc-resistant switchgear. The arc exhaust wall must be field installed above the switchgear. Note minimum 48.00-inch (1219.2 mm) ceiling clearance is required above the arc exhaust wall for proper venting of the arc exhaust. All 5/15 kV arc-resistant switchgear is provided with arc exhaust chamber (plenum). It is also installed in the field. When using arc exhaust chamber, minimum ceiling clearance required above the arc exhaust chamber (plenum) is equal to that needed for field installation of the chamber. Eaton recommends minimum 18.00-inch (457.2 mm).

**Note:** APPLICABLE TO ALL ARC-RESISTANT SWITCHGEAR:

For switchgear with enclosure arc ratings of up to 41 kA rms symmetrical, minimum two vertical sections and one arc duct exit is required.

For switchgear with enclosure arc rating of 50 kA rms symmetrical or higher, minimum three vertical sections and two arc duct exits are required.
# Weights

## Typical Weights in Lb (kg)  
*Table 5.7-12. Assemblies (Less Breakers)*

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<tr>
<th>Type of Vertical Section</th>
<th>Main Bus Rating Amperes</th>
<th>Indoor Structure</th>
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<td>1200</td>
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<td>2000</td>
<td>3700 (1680)</td>
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<td>2500</td>
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<td></td>
<td>3000</td>
<td>4000 (1816)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Auxiliary cell</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1200</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2000</td>
<td>3200 (1453)</td>
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Refer to *Table 5.7-13* for breaker weights.

## Control Power

### Table 5.7-14. VCP-W Breaker Stored Energy Mechanism Control Power Requirements

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Rated Control Voltage</th>
<th>Spring Charging Motor</th>
<th>Close or Trip Amperes</th>
<th>UV Trip mA Maximum</th>
<th>Voltage Range</th>
<th>Indicating Light Amperes</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Inrush Amperes</td>
<td>Run Amperes</td>
<td>Average Run Time, Sec.</td>
<td>Close</td>
<td>Trip</td>
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<td>48 Vdc</td>
<td>36.0</td>
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<td>125 Vdc</td>
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<td>240 Vac</td>
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### Table 5.7-15. Control Power Transformers—Single-Phase, 60 Hz

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<th>Rated Primary Voltage, Volt</th>
<th>Rated Secondary Voltage, Volt</th>
<th>kVA</th>
<th>kV Class</th>
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<td>34500</td>
<td>240–120</td>
<td>5, 10, 15</td>
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*Line-to-line connection only available. Refer to Eaton for other voltages and kVA ratings.*

*150 kV BIL.*
Operations

Table 5.7-16. Breaker Operations Information

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<tr>
<th>Circuit Breaker Ratings</th>
<th>Maximum Number of Operations ①</th>
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<td>Rated Maximum Voltage kV rms</td>
<td>Rated Continuous Current Amperes</td>
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<td>38</td>
<td>All</td>
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① Each operation is comprised of one closing plus one opening.

Heat Loss

Table 5.7-17. Heat Loss in Watts at Full Rating, at 60 Hz

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of Switchgear Assembly</th>
<th>Breaker Rating</th>
<th>1200 A</th>
<th>2000 A</th>
<th>2500 A</th>
<th>3000 A</th>
<th>4000 A Fan Cooled</th>
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<tr>
<td>VCP-W 5, 16, and 27 kV 38 kV</td>
<td>600 W</td>
<td>850 W</td>
<td>1400 W</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>2100 W</td>
<td>3800 W</td>
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<tr>
<td>VCP-W 38 kV</td>
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<td>2300 W</td>
<td>3700 W</td>
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</table>

Other Components

| Each CT, standard accuracy | 50 W |
| Each CT, high accuracy | 100 W |
| Each VT | 60 W |
| CPT single-phase, 25 kVA | 450 W |
| CPT single-phase, 45 kVA | 892 W |
| Space heater—each | 250 W |
Figure 5.7-20. Typical 5/15/27 kV VCP-W "dc" and "ac" Control Schematics

Note:

- **CS** = Breaker Control Switch–Close
- **CS** = Breaker Control Switch–Trip
- **Y** = Anti Pump Relay
- **SR** = Spring Release Coil (Coil)
- **M** = Spring Charge Motor
- **ST** = Shunt Trip
- **PR** = Protective Relay
- **T** = Secondary Disconnect

**dc Source**

**ac Source**
Figure 5.7-21. Typical 38 kV VCP-W “dc” and “ac” Control Schematics

Breaker dc Control Schematic

Breaker ac Control Schematic

Note:
- **CS** = Breaker Control Switch–Close
- **C** = Breaker Control Switch
- **CS** = Breaker Control Switch–Trip
- **Y** = Anti Pump Relay
- **SR** = Spring Release Coil (Coil)
- **M** = Spring Charge Motor
- **ST** = Shunt Trip
- **PR** = Protective Relay
- **LS** = Secondary Disconnect

Note:
- **LS1** = Closed until springs are fully charged.
- **bb** = Open until springs are fully charged.
- **LS2** = Open until springs are fully charged.
- **aa** = Closed until springs are fully charged.
- **LC** = Open until mechanism is reset.
- **PS1** = Open in all except between “Test” and “Connected” positions.
- **PS2** = Closed in all except between “Test” and “Connected” positions.

Customer Must Furnish This "a" Contact from Auxiliary Switch When Second Trip Coil Option is Chosen and Make the Appropriate Connections.