S.T.A.R. Type ER faulted circuit indicator installation instructions
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Safety for life

Eaton's Cooper Power series products meet or exceed all applicable industry standards relating to product safety. We actively promote safe practices in the use and maintenance of our products through our service literature, instructional training programs, and the continuous efforts of all Eaton employees involved in product design, manufacture, marketing and service.

We strongly urge that you always follow all locally approved safety procedures and safety instructions when working around high-voltage lines and equipment and support our “Safety For Life” mission.

Safety information

The instructions in this manual are not intended as a substitute for proper training or adequate experience in the safe operation of the equipment described. Only competent technicians, who are familiar with this equipment should install, operate and service it.

A competent technician has these qualifications:

- Is thoroughly familiar with these instructions.
- Is trained in industry-accepted high- and low-voltage safe operating practices and procedures.
- Is trained and authorized to energize, de-energize, clear, and ground power distribution equipment.
- Is trained in the care and use of protective equipment such as flash clothing, safety glasses, face shield, hard hat, rubber gloves, hotstick, etc.

Following is important safety information. For safe installation and operation of this equipment, be sure to read and understand all cautions and warnings.

Hazard Statement Definitions

This manual may contain four types of hazard statements:

- **DANGER**
  Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

- **WARNING**
  Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

- **CAUTION**
  Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

- **CAUTION**
  Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in equipment damage only.

Safety instructions

Following are general caution and warning statements that apply to this equipment. Additional statements, related to specific tasks and procedures, are located throughout the manual.

**DANGER**

Hazardous voltage. Contact with high voltage will cause death or severe personal injury. Follow all locally approved safety procedures when working around high- and low-voltage lines and equipment.

**WARNING**

Before installing, operating, maintaining, or testing this equipment, carefully read and understand the contents of this manual. Improper operation, handling or maintenance can result in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.

**WARNING**

This equipment is not intended to protect human life. Follow all locally approved procedures and safety practices when installing or operating this equipment. Failure to comply may result in death, severe personal injury and equipment damage.

**WARNING**

Power distribution and transmission equipment must be properly selected for the intended application. It must be installed and serviced by competent personnel who have been trained and understand proper safety procedures. These instructions are written for such personnel and are not a substitute for adequate training and experience in safety procedures. Failure to properly select, install, or maintain power distribution and transmission equipment can result in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.
Product information

Introduction
The Eaton Cooper Power series S.T.A.R. Electrostatic Reset (ER) Faulted Circuit Indicators are used primarily on overhead conductors and indicate the passage of fault current by showing a “fault” flag in the Fisheye display window. When the fault is cleared from the system and the line is re-energized, the fault indicator will automatically reset. A minimum of 6.9 kV line-to-ground is needed in order to reset the fault indicator.

The Eaton Cooper Power series S.T.A.R. Faulted Circuit Indicator (FCI) is weatherproof, submersible and meets or exceeds IEEE Std 495™-1986 standard IEEE “Guide for Testing Faulted Circuit Indicators”. The Fisheye target display will not change status due to mechanical shock or vibration.

The S.T.A.R. ER Faulted Circuit Indicator clamps easily to the overhead conductor by using a standard clamp (shotgun) stick. It is primarily for use on uninsulated, unshielded cable, but may also be used on insulated unshielded cable such as tree wire. The fault indicator clamping mechanism will allow the indicator to be used on cable sizes from 0.25” (6.4 mm) up to 2.0” (51 mm) in diameter.

The FCI is available with either a high (HI) or low (LO) trip level. A low trip level will activate at approximately 400 A on a 1.2” diameter cable and the high trip operates at approximately 900 A on the same cable size. The trip rating will vary slightly for other cable dimensions. Refer to Figure 2 for trip levels on other cable diameters.

Acceptance and initial inspection
Each faulted circuit indicator is in good condition when accepted by the carrier for shipment. Upon receipt, inspect the shipping container for signs of damage. Unpack the faulted circuit indicator and inspect it thoroughly for damage incurred during shipment. If damage is discovered, file a claim with the carrier immediately.

Handling and storage
Be careful during handling and storage of the faulted circuit indicator to minimize the possibility of damage. If the faulted circuit indicator is to be stored for any length of time prior to installation, provide a clean, dry storage area.

Figure 1. S.T.A.R. Type ER faulted circuit indicator

Figure 2. S.T.A.R. Type ER faulted circuit indicator cable diameter vs. Trip value curves

Read this manual first
Read and understand the contents of this manual and follow all locally approved procedures and safety practices before installing or operating this equipment.

Additional information
These instructions cannot cover all details or variations in the equipment, procedures, or process described nor provide directions for meeting every possible contingency during installation, operation, or maintenance. For additional information, contact your representative.

Standards
ISO 9001 Certified Quality Management System
Installation procedure

1. **Arm the FCI clamp mechanism** by grasping each clamping arm (Figure 3), pulling them apart until the trigger arm latches into place. Stops have been built into the clamping arms such that they will only open to the point where the trigger arm will latch (Figure 4).

2. **Attach the FCI to a clamp (shotgun) stick** using the pulling eye on the front of the faulted circuit indicator. At 6.9 kV, the S.T.A.R. ER Type Fault Circuit Indicator should be installed no more than five feet from a ground plane.

3. **Push the FCI clamping mechanism** against the conductor until the trigger mechanism releases from the latched position. For cable diameters from 0.25” (6.4 mm) to 1.0” (25 mm), the clamp arm pads are required to properly clamp onto the conductor. For cable diameters from 1.0” up to 2.0” (51 mm), the clamp arm pads are not needed and should be removed. The S.T.A.R. ER Type Faulted Circuit Indicator is shipped to the customer in the tripped position. When properly installed, the FCI will reset in approximately 8 minutes on a 6.9 kV line-to-ground system. The FCI reset time may vary depending on the system voltage and distance to the nearest ground plane. Refer to Table 1 for nominal reset times.

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<th>Voltage (kV) line-to-ground</th>
<th>Reset time (minutes)</th>
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<td>6.9-8</td>
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<td>36 inches</td>
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**WARNING**

Care should be used when installing the FCI on a de-energized system without the use of a shotgun stick. When the clamping mechanism closes, the trigger arm swiftly swings toward the pulling eye and injury could occur if fingers or hands are in the trigger arm’s path.

Removing the FCI

1. **Insert the hook end from the shotgun stick into the pulling eye of the FCI and lock the shotgun stick tight against the FCI body.**

2. **Pull straight back on the hotstick.** For quicker/simpler removal of the FCI, it can be removed with hot-line gloves.

3. **If the clamp pads are to be used with the FCI upon re-installation,** ensure that the pads are properly attached to the clamp arms.
Operation instructions

The S.T.A.R. Type ER Fault Indicator utilizes the FISHEYE display and will rotate the ball from ‘black’ to ‘orange’ to indicate sensing a fault. The ball will remain in the ‘orange’ position indefinitely until the system is restored and a minimum of 6.9 kV is present. If the FCI is equipped with the optional LED indicator, both the FISHEYE as well as the LED will sense the restoration of voltage and will reset the FISHEYE back to the ‘black’ position and turn off the LED. Note: the LED equipped FCI will blink for a maximum 4 hours per fault event.

The FCI will sense the loss of 60 Hz pulses and will disable the tripping circuitry following the loss of power. This is done to prevent false tripping on Reclosure operations.

The LED version is equipped with a non-replaceable battery, which is used only to provide power for the LED indicator. If the battery fails the FCI will still function and the FISHEYE display will continue to operate.