

# SIEMENS

## 38kV Metal-Clad Switchgear

Type GM38

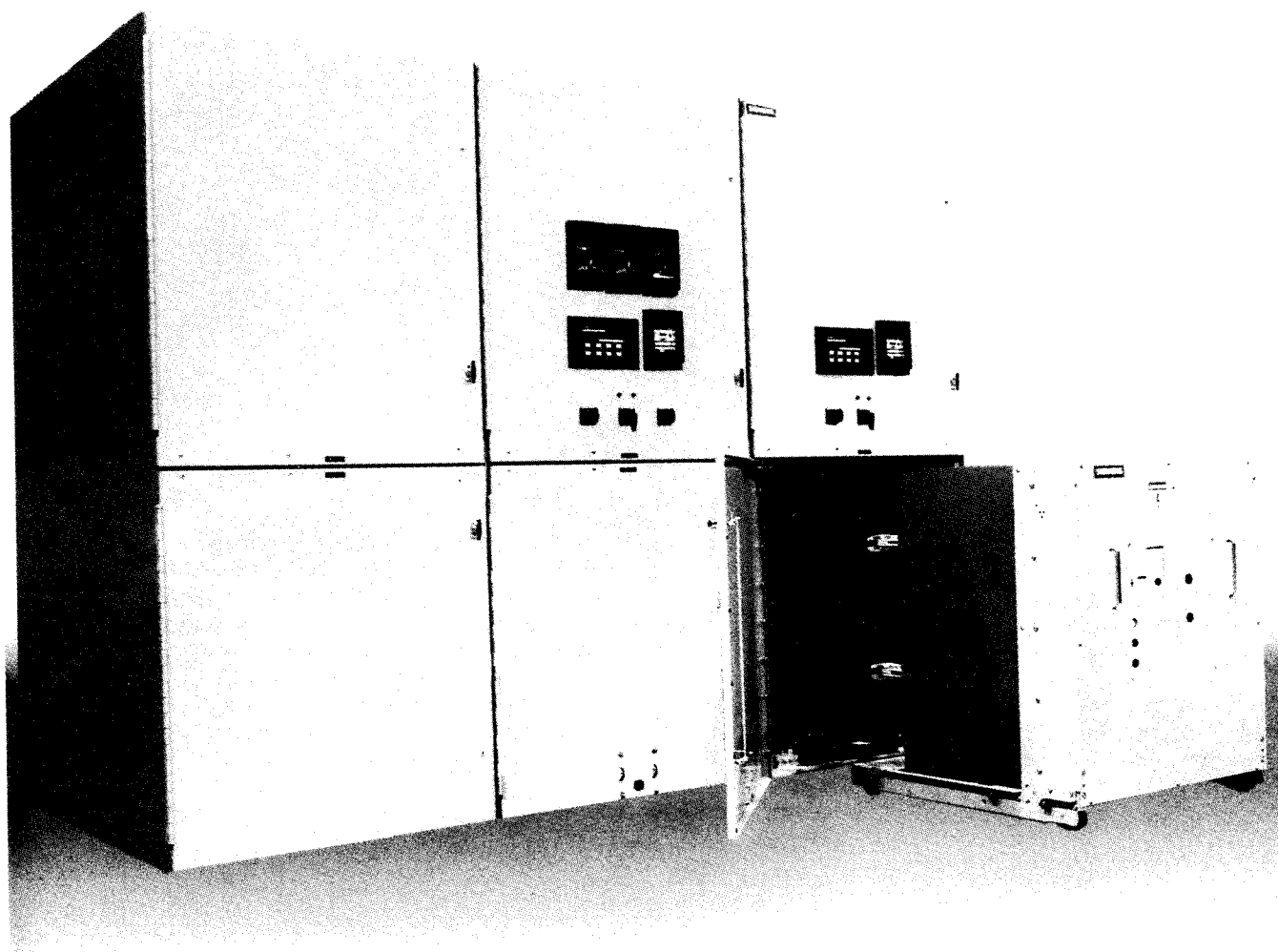
### Instructions

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**SGIM-3518B**





## **DANGER**

**Hazardous voltages and high-speed moving parts.**

**Will cause death, serious personal injury or equipment damage.**

Always de-energize and ground the equipment before maintenance. Maintenance should be performed only by qualified personnel. The use of unauthorized parts in the repair of the equipment or tampering by unqualified personnel will result in dangerous conditions which will cause severe personal injury or equipment damage. Follow all safety instructions contained herein.

### **IMPORTANT**

The information contained herein is general in nature and not intended for specific application purposes. It does not relieve the user of responsibility to use sound practices in application, installation, operation, and maintenance of the equipment purchased. Siemens reserves the right to make changes in the specifications shown herein or to make improvements at any time without notice or obligations. Should a conflict arise between the general information contained in this publication and the contents of drawings or supplementary material or both, the latter shall take precedence.

### **QUALIFIED PERSON**

For the purpose of this manual a qualified person is one who is familiar with the installation, construction or operation of the equipment and the hazards involved. In addition, this person has the following qualifications:

- (a) **is trained and authorized** to de-energize, clear, ground, and tag circuits and equipment in accordance with established safety practices.
- (b) **is trained** in the proper care and use of protective equipment such as rubber gloves, hard hat, safety glasses or face shields, flash clothing, etc., in accordance with established safety practices.
- (c) **is trained** in rendering first aid.

### **NOTE**

These instructions do not purport to cover all details or variations in equipment, nor to provide for every possible contingency to be met in connection with installation, operation, or maintenance. Should further information be desired or should particular problems arise which are not covered sufficiently for the purchaser's purposes, the matter should be referred to the local Siemens sales office.

The contents of this instruction manual shall not become part of or modify any prior or existing agreement, commitment or relationship. The sales contract contains the entire obligation of Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution<sup>LLC</sup>. The warranty contained in the contract between the parties is the sole warranty of Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution<sup>LLC</sup>. Any statements contained herein do not create new warranties or modify the existing warranty.

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# Introduction and Safety

## Introduction

The GM38 switchgear is designed to meet all the applicable ANSI, NEMA and IEEE standards. Successful application and operation of this equipment depends as much upon proper installation and maintenance by the user as it does upon the careful design and fabrication by Siemens.

The purpose of this Instruction Manual is to assist the user in developing safe and efficient procedures for the installation, maintenance and use of the equipment.

Contact the nearest Siemens representative if any additional information is desired.

	<b>⚠ DANGER</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages and high-speed moving parts.</b>
	<b>Will cause death, personal injury or property damage.</b>

To avoid electrical shock, burns and entanglement in moving parts this equipment must be installed, operated and maintained only by qualified persons thoroughly familiar with the equipment, instruction manuals and drawings.

## Qualified Person

For the purpose of this manual a **Qualified Person** is one who is familiar with the installation, construction or operation of the equipment and the hazards involved. In addition, this person has the following qualifications:

- Training and authorization to energize, de-energize, clear, ground and tag circuits and equipment in accordance with established safety practices.
- Training in the proper care and use of protective equipment such as rubber gloves, hard hat, safety glasses, face shields, flash clothing, etc., in accordance with established safety procedures.
- Training in rendering first aid.

## Signal Words

The signal words "**Danger**", "**Warning**" and "**Caution**" used in this manual indicate the degree of hazard that may be encountered by the user. These words are defined as:

**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.

## Dangerous Procedures

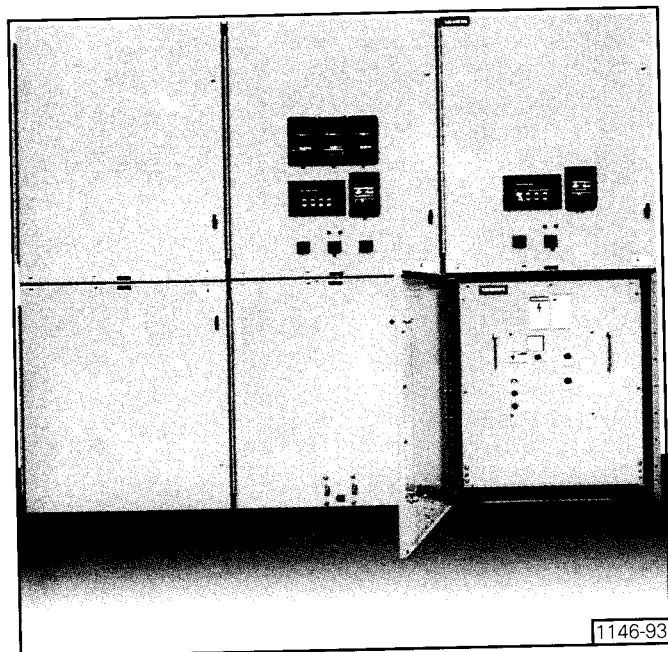
In addition to other procedures described in this manual as dangerous, user personnel must adhere to the following:

1. Always work on de-energized equipment. Always de-energize a breaker, and remove it from the switchgear before performing any tests, maintenance or repair.
2. Always perform maintenance on the breaker after the spring-charged mechanisms are discharged.
3. Always let an interlock device or safety mechanism perform its function without forcing or defeating the device.

## Field Service Operation

Siemens can provide competent, well-trained Field Service Representatives to provide technical guidance and advisory assistance for the installation, overhaul, repair and maintenance of Siemens equipment, processes and systems. Contact regional service centers, sales offices or the factory for details.

# General Description



**Figure 1.** Typical Indoor Type GM38 Switchgear

## Introduction

Siemens Type GM38 Metal-Clad Switchgear is precision built equipment designed to function efficiently under normal operating conditions. It is designed and manufactured to operate within the ANSI C37 standards for Metal-Clad Switchgear. Performance requirements of these standards have been met or exceeded by these designs. Specific Standards which apply include:

### C37.20.2 Metal-Clad Switchgear

The instructions included in this manual are provided to aid you in obtaining longer and more economical service from your Siemens switchgear. For proper installation and operation, this information should be distributed to your operators and engineers.

By carefully following these instructions, difficulties should be avoided. However, the instructions are not intended to cover all details of variations that may be encountered in connection with the installation, operation and maintenance of this equipment.

Should additional information be desired, including replacement instruction books, contact your Siemens representative.

## Scope

These instructions cover the installation, operation and maintenance of Siemens type GM38 metal-clad switchgear assemblies, using vacuum horizontal drawout circuit breakers. The equipment described in this manual consists of indoor, Shelter-Clad walk-in aisle outdoor, and non-walk-in outdoor designs for application up to 38kV. A typical indoor switchgear assembly is shown in **Figure 1**. All diagrams, descriptions and instruction apply to all the above classes and designs unless noted otherwise. Standard construction details of the switchgear, auxiliary equipment and necessary accessories are given in the appropriate sections. Special mechanical and electrical devices, furnished in accordance with purchase order requirements, are covered by supplementary instructions submitted with this instruction book. Ratings described in this manual are in accordance with NEMA,

IEEE and ANSI standard requirements.

The equipment furnished has been designed to operate in a system having the circuit capacity specified by the purchaser. If for any reason the equipment is later used in a different system, or if the short-circuit capacity of the system is increased, the momentary rating of the switchgear, the interrupting capacity of the circuit breakers and the bus capacity must be checked. Failure on the part of the user to receive approval of intended changes from Siemens may cause voiding the warranty.

## General Description

The switchgear described in this manual is the metal-clad type, as defined in ANSI C37.20.2. All parts are completely enclosed within grounded metal barriers. Secondary control devices and primary circuits are isolated from each other by shutters or barriers. Primary bus and joints are completely encased with insulation materials to suit the voltage class of the equipment.

Siemens switchgear carries a type designation, or class, as shown in **Table 1**. These designations may appear on drawings and familiarity with them will simplify communications with the factory.

Indoor equipment is arranged with the circuit breaker located in the lower compartment behind a blank front panel. This panel is opened to provide access to the circuit breaker. Upper compartments can be used for auxiliary devices, such as voltage transformers, and the front panel of the upper compartment is used for instrumentation and relaying devices. Typical indoor switchgear is shown in **Figure 1**.

**Table 1.** Switchgear Designation

DESIGN	TYPE
Indoor	GM38
Shelter-Clad Single Aisle Outdoor	SGM38
Shelter-Clad Common Aisle Outdoor	SGM38
Non-Walk-In Outdoor	OGM38

Shelter-Clad outdoor equipment consists of indoor equipment enclosed in a weatherproof housing complete with an illuminated, walk-in aisle. Circuit breakers can be moved inside the aisle and control devices checked without exposure to the elements.

Non-Walk-In outdoor switchgear consists of indoor equipment enclosed in a weatherproof housing complete with a gasketed door over the inner front panels. Circuit breakers can be moved outside of the cubicles with the use of a lift truck. Non-Walk-In outdoor equipment is used where it is felt that an enclosed service aisle is unnecessary, or space does not permit its use.

# Receiving, Handling & Storage

## Receiving

Each group of type GM38 metal-clad switchgear is securely blocked and braced for shipment. It is crated, boxed, or covered as required by shipping conditions. Whatever method of shipment, every precaution is taken to insure its safe arrival. If special handling is required, it is so indicated. Relatively delicate instruments are included and the switchgear assembly must be handled carefully when unloading.

## Identification

When the shipment includes more than one shipping group or equipment for more than one substation, marking tags are attached to each crate or package for identification. The drawing number on the tag is also on the purchaser's copy of the shipping list. The shipping list identifies the contents with the unit numbers included in the shipping group. Refer to the general arrangement drawing for the location of each unit within the group lineup. Use this information to simplify the assembly operation and safe unnecessary handling.

## Inspection and Unpacking

Inspect the equipment as soon as possible after receiving for any damage that may have occurred in transit. Before unpacking, examine the package itself, as a damaged package may indicate an area of damage within. Be careful when unpacking equipment. The use of sledge hammers and crowbars may damage the finish, if not the equipment itself. Use nail pullers. After unpacking, examine equipment for any possible damage. Check the shipping manifest to be certain that all items have been received. If there is a shortage, make certain it is noted on the freight bill and contact the carrier immediately. Notify the Siemens sales office of any shortage or damage.

## Shipping Damage Claims

### Important

The way visible shipping damage is treated by consignee prior to signing the delivery receipt can determine the outcome of the damage claim to be filed.

Notification to carrier within the 15 day limit on concealed damage is essential if loss resulting from unsettled claims is to be eliminated or minimized.

1. When shipment arrives note whether equipment is properly protected from the elements. Note trailer number on which the equipment arrived. Note blocking of equipment. During unloading make sure count agrees with delivery receipt.
2. Make immediate inspection upon arrival for visible damage. This should be done prior to unloading when possible. When total inspection cannot be made on vehicles prior to unloading, close inspection during unloading must be maintained and visible damage noted. Take pictures if possible.

3. Any visible damage must be noted on the delivery receipt and acknowledged with the driver's signature. The damage should be detailed as much as possible. It is essential that a notation "Possible internal damage, subject to inspection" be included on delivery receipt. If driver will not sign the delivery receipt with damage noted, the shipment should not be signed for by the consignee or his agent.

4. Notify the Siemens Sales office immediately of any damage.

5. Arrange for a carrier inspection of damage immediately. **IMPORTANT:** Do not move equipment from the place it was set when unloading. Equipment must be inspected by carrier prior to handling after receipt. This eliminates loss due to claims by carrier that equipment was damaged or further damaged on site after unloading.

6. Be sure equipment is properly protected from any further damage by covering it properly after unloading.

7. If practical make further inspection for possible concealed damage while carrier inspector is on site. If inspection for concealed damage is not practical at the time the carrier inspector is present, it must be done within 15 days of receipt of equipment. If concealed damage is found, the carrier must again be notified and an inspection made prior to taking any corrective action to repair. Also notify Siemens Sales office immediately.

8. Obtain the original of the carrier inspection report and forward it along with a copy of the noted delivery receipt to the Siemens Sales office. Approval must be obtained by Siemens from the carrier before any repair work can be performed. Before approval can be obtained the documents requested must be in our hands. The carrier inspection report and/or driver's signature on the delivery receipt does not constitute approval to repair.

### Important

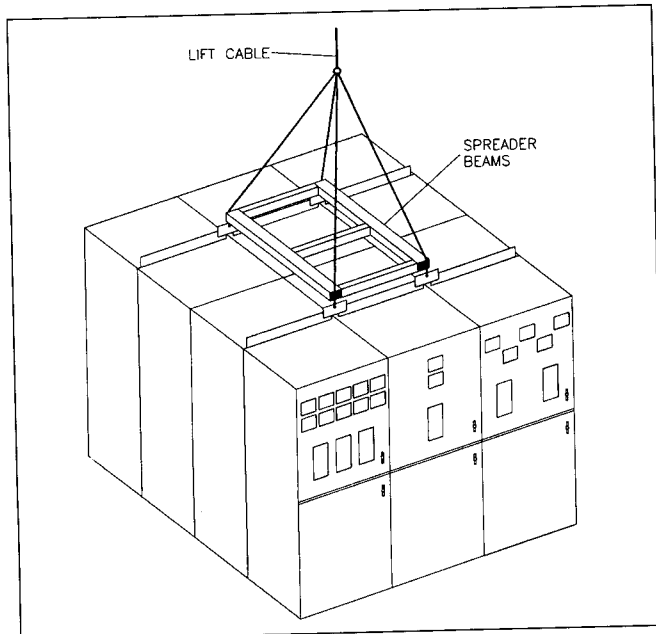
Any adverse judgment as to whether the equipment was properly loaded or properly prepared by shipper for over-the-road travel cannot be made at the destination. We do not release shipments without a clear bill of lading. We use approved methods of preparation, loading, blocking and tarping of the equipment before it leaves our plant. Damage to the equipment had to occur while enroute due to conditions beyond our control. If the procedure outlined above is not followed by the consignee, purchaser, or his agent, Siemens cannot be held liable for repairs. We will not be held liable for repairs in any case where the work was not authorized by us prior to being done.

# Receiving, Handling & Storage

## Lifting and Moving

### General

Each group of switchgear has provisions for attaching lifting equipment. Though the lift points vary in location on indoor, Shelter-Clad outdoor, and non-walk-in outdoor designs, all are designed for use with a crane of adequate height and capacity. To estimate the maximum required crane capacity, multiply the number of sections to be lifted by 6,000 pounds.



**Figure 2.** Lifting Indoor Switchgear - with Crane

### Indoor Switchgear

Before removing the protective packing materials, indoor equipment may be moved by crane with lift cables attached through the packaging to the lifting bars on the top of the switchgear. If crane facilities are unavailable, or if tight spaces prevent use of a crane, rollers under the skids may be used.

### Lifting Indoor Switchgear with Crane

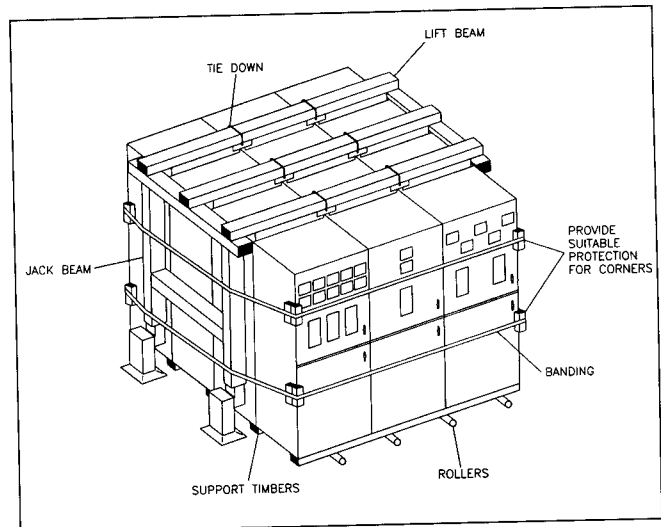
Recommended lifting of indoor switchgear is by means of cables connected to an overhead crane. The cables are connected to the eyes in the top front and top rear mounted lifting bars (**Figure 2**.) A crane with sufficient height should be used so the load angle (from horizontal) on the lifting cables will be at least 45 degrees, when viewed from the front or the rear. A lesser angle could cause the equipment to be damaged. The lifting cables must have spreaders from front to rear to prevent twisting the lift supports.

### Moving Switchgear in Obstructed Areas without a Crane

Within buildings and obstructed areas, where a crane cannot be used, move switchgear with rollers, cribbing, jacks and other such equipment as may be required to meet the situation. Forklift trucks should be used with discretion as improper lift points could cause extreme damage to equipment.

Jacks may be used to lift switchgear which is properly supported by sturdy timbers.

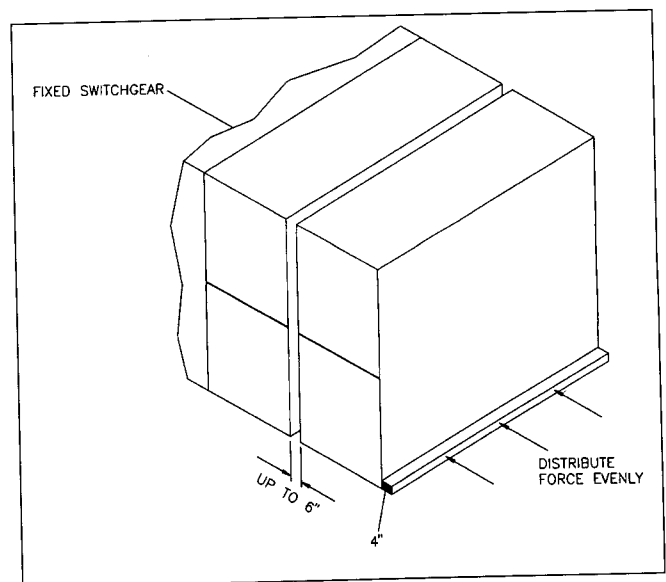
To prevent distortion of the cubicles, rollers and cribbing of equal height must be used in sufficient number to evenly distribute the load.



**Figure 3.** Moving Switchgear with Jacks and Rollers

**Figure 3** shows a method of using jacks on indoor switchgear to facilitate the use of rollers under the shipping skid. Care must be used to prevent damage to instruments and to maintain the stability of the timbers.

Remove rollers and lower switchgear carefully. Leave wooden skids (when provided) in place during moving operation until final location is reached.



**Figure 4.** Moving Switchgear in Obstructed Areas without a Crane—Final Positioning

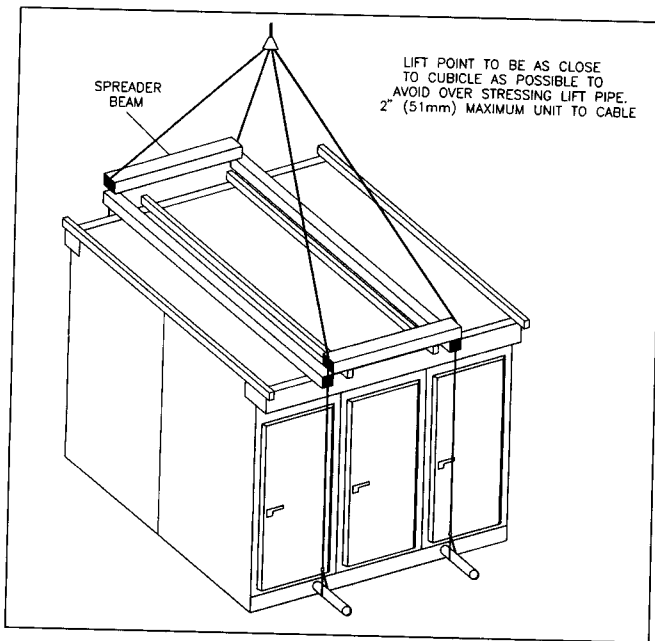
**Figure 4** shows a method of moving the switchgear into the final position, after it has been moved near to the final position using another method.

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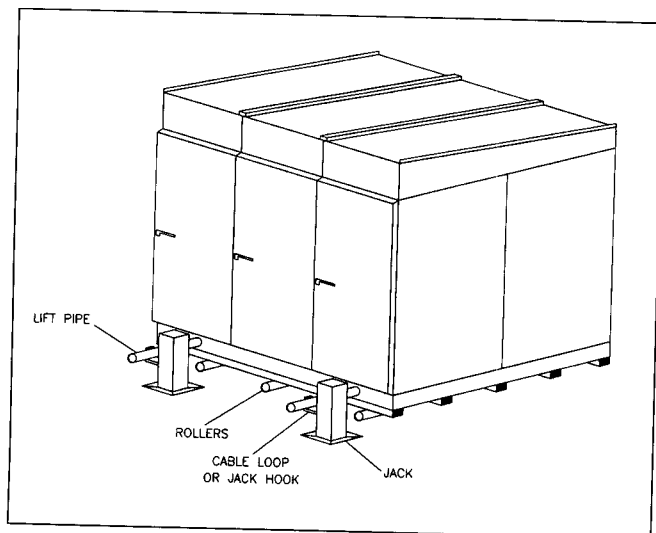
## Outdoor Switchgear

The method of lifting non-walk-in or Shelter-Clad outdoor equipment is shown in **Figure 5**. The load angles (from horizontal) on the lifting cables, as viewed from the front or rear, must be at least 45 degrees. A lesser angle could damage the equipment. The lifting cables must have spreaders front to back and side to side to protect the equipment. The recommended lifting pipe size (Ref. ASTM A-53) is :

1 - 4 Units      4" nominal (4-1/2" actual OD) XXS (Double Extra Strong), 190" long



**Figure 5.** Lifting Outdoor Switchgear with Crane



**Figure 6.** Moving Outdoor Switchgear with Jacks and Rollers

**Figure 6** shows a method of using jacks on outdoor switchgear to facilitate the use of rollers under the shipping skid. Care must be used with this method to prevent damage to the doors and to maintain stability of the timbers. Refer to previous section for additional information.

## Final Movement of Assembly

Proper final movement and connection of the assembly requires that several items be completed:

1. Preplan sequence of installation movements and connections.
2. Where equipment must be slid into final location, start with the left end shipping group and continue in sequence. Secondary conduits which stub-up above floor level may block sliding in either direction.
3. Protect equipment and external items from damage during movements. Be sure to have smooth, unobstructed surfaces where the equipment is to be slid. Keep access openings clear.
4. Prepare for the connections across shipping splits before the equipment is moved into final position. Interunit bus supports and bus joint boots should be removed using side, rear and front access options as required. Note the mounting position and orientation and save hardware for use in reinstallation.
5. Thread coiled wires across shipping splits into interunit wire trough prior to moving equipment into its final position.
6. Where top lift capability is available, shipping pallets and other packaging materials may be removed before the last move into the final position.
7. Where top lift capability is not available, protect the switchgear bottom with support timbers and move with jacks and rollers just to the side of its final position. Remove rollers, shipping pallets and other packaging materials and remove jacking facilities. Clear any obstructions. The equipment may be slid sideways up to 6 inches (152mm) to join the shipping split. Any sliding force must be carefully applied across the bottom 4 inches (100mm) of the switchgear side with proper cribbing to fully distribute the force across the full depth of side. See **Figure 4**.
8. See "Installation" section for additional important information.



# Receiving, Handling & Storage

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## Storage

### Indoor Switchgear

When switchgear is not to be erected immediately, it should be unpacked, inspected within 15 days of receipt and stored in a clean dry location. Indoor switchgear is neither weatherproof nor dripproof. Therefore, it should be stored indoors, or if it is to be kept in a humid, unheated area, provide an adequate covering, and place a heat source of approximately 500 watts output within each vertical section to prevent condensation. Space heaters are not standard equipment on indoor switchgear. Lubricate any moving parts such as hinges, shutters, etc., if storage is for an extensive period of time. When batteries are supplied, connect them to a charger.

### Shelter-Clad Outdoor Switchgear

When it is necessary to store Shelter-Clad outdoor equipment in a location exposing it to the weather, or in a humid location, energize the space heaters provided within the sections and make certain that louvers and vents are uncovered to allow air to circulate. If at all possible, erect the aisle section and the switchgear at the permanent location even though it may be some time before the equipment is used. If the equipment cannot be erected at the permanent location immediately, cover shipping splits to protect from the elements. Regardless of what method of storage is used, remove the aisle wall from in front of instrument panels to gain access to the space heater circuit so that heaters can be energized. Refer to wiring diagram drawing for space heater circuit connections. Replace the aisle wall and seal from the elements, or cover for protection from the weather. Connect batteries (if provided) to a charger. Lubricate hinges, shutters, and other moving parts.

### Non-Walk-In Outdoor Switchgear

When it is necessary to store non-walk-in outdoor switchgear in an area exposed to the weather or under humid conditions, energize the space heaters provided and make certain that louvers and vents are uncovered to allow air to circulate. If at all possible, erect the switchgear at the permanent location even though it may be some time before the equipment is used. If the equipment cannot be erected at the permanent location immediately, cover shipping splits to protect from the elements. Access to the heater circuit is gained by opening the door to the instrument panel compartment. Refer to wiring diagram drawing for space heater circuit connections. Connect batteries (if provided) to a charger. Lubricate hinges, shutters, and other moving parts.

### Type 38-3AF Vacuum Circuit Breakers and Lift Truck

Vacuum circuit breakers, if not installed in their respective switchgear compartments, must be stored indoors. Outdoor storage of circuit breakers (other than inside their respective switchgear compartments) is NOT RECOMMENDED. Refer to instruction manual SG-3528 for information on storage of circuit breakers.

If furnished, the lift truck for handling circuit breakers or fuse rollout trucks should be stored indoors. The lifting mechanism can be damaged by outdoor storage.

# Installation

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## Foundation

Extreme care should be taken in layout of foundation or floor. Refer to general arrangement drawing for exact location of anchor bolts, area for secondary and primary conduits, other limitations, and instructions. Conduit couplings should be stubbed to below the finished floor level. After the switchgear has been lowered to the foundation and set in place, conduit nipples may be screwed into couplings.

Floors, sills, piers and pilings (whichever type of foundation is used) must have a smooth level surface and be in the same plane. The surface of the foundation must not protrude above the grouted sills or bed plates at any point. Grouted sills or bed plates must be set true and level and be in the same plane to each other. Care and accuracy at this point will simplify or eliminate shimming when switchgear is installed. Foundations must be sufficiently strong to support the weight of the cubicles and breakers plus the impact loading of the circuit breakers (equal to about 10% of the weight of each circuit breaker).

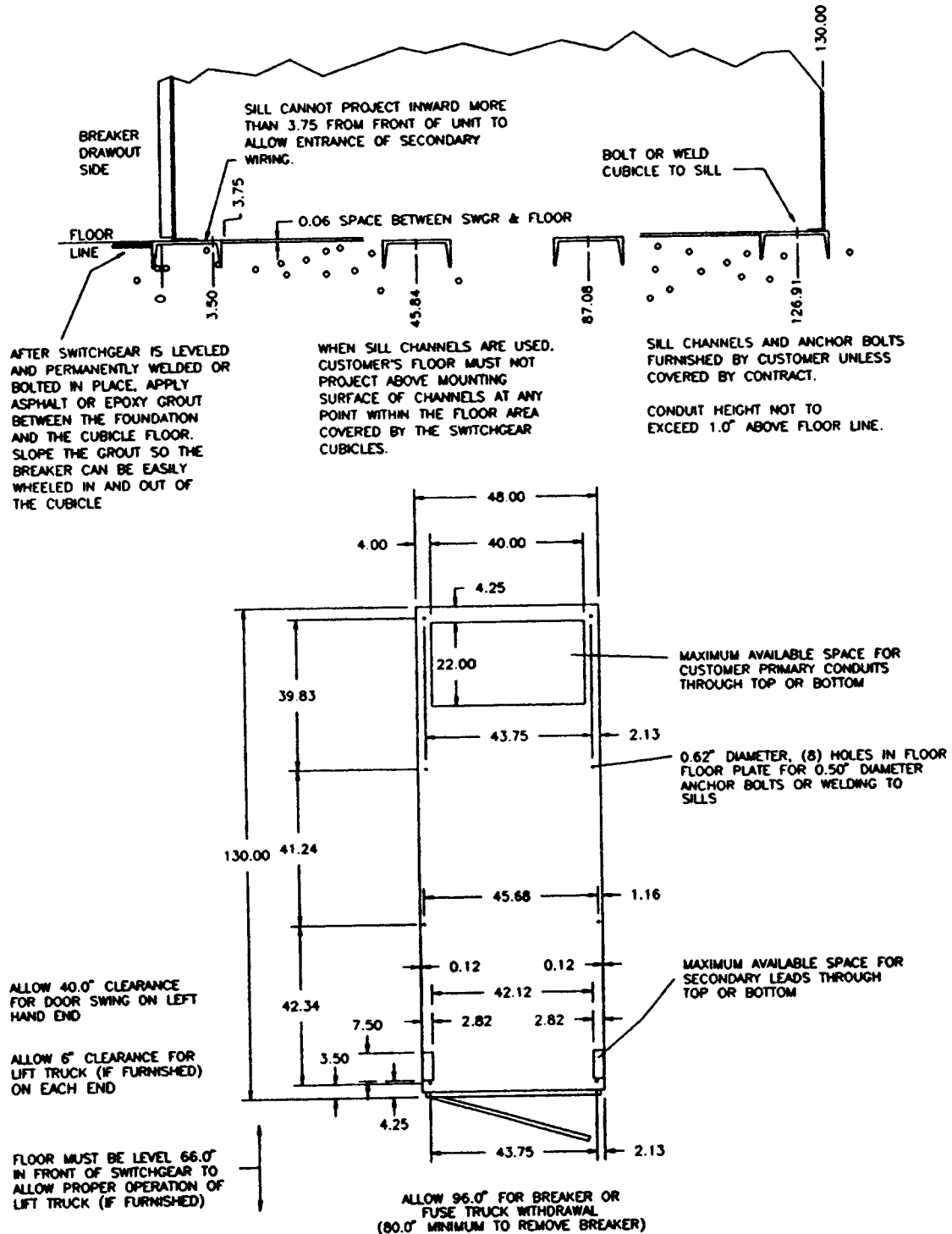
Outdoor switchgear groups which have been assembled on formed baseplates must be supported with the maximum span between support points not exceeding eight (8) feet (2437mm). If pilings are used, the diameter of these pilings is to be determined by purchaser for proper loading. However, they must not be less than twelve (12) inches (305mm) for sufficient contact with the base, allowing space for support at shipping splits, and space for grouting in bed plates, if used. Adjacent units at each shipping split must be supported on a single support, and this must be taken into consideration when the foundation is designed and constructed.

**Important:** In the switchgear primary entrance area, steel reinforcing rods or mesh in concrete must not pass through the space shown on the general arrangement drawing, even though cored or bored holes in concrete may miss rods or mesh. A single phase of a system should not be encircled by ferrous metals.

All sill channels, bed plates, shims and anchoring hardware are furnished by purchaser unless covered by contract.

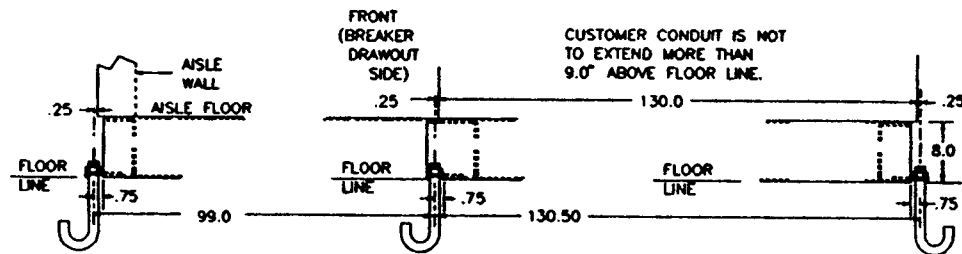
**Figure 7** illustrates location for sill channels for anchoring indoor switchgear. Cubicles may be anchored to sills by use of 1/2" (or 12mm) diameter anchor bolts, or welded in position. **Figures 8-9** show the method of anchoring outdoor Shelter-Clad (walk-in) and **Figure 10** shows the method of anchoring outdoor non-walk-in switchgear.

# Installation



**Figure 7.** Anchoring Indoor GM38 Switchgear

# Installation



LOCATION OF .75" DIA.  
ANCHOR BOLTS. BOLTS & NUTS  
FURNISHED BY CUSTOMER.  
CLAMP WASHERS FURNISHED BY SIEMENS.  
ANCHOR BOLTING ARRANGEMENT

## FOUNDATION REQUIREMENTS:

SUPPORTING CONCRETE PADS, PIERS, OR  
PILINGS MUST BE CONSTRUCTED  
WITH TRUE SURFACES AND IN  
THE SAME PLANE TO WITHIN  
0.06 IN. THE MAXIMUM SPAN  
BETWEEN SUPPORTS MUST NOT  
EXCEED 8 FT. THE DIAMETER  
OF PILINGS MUST NOT BE LESS  
THAN 12 IN. FOR MAXIMUM  
CONTACT WITH THE CUBICLE  
SUPPORT FRAME, SUPPORTS MUST  
BE LOCATED AT SHIPPING SPLITS.

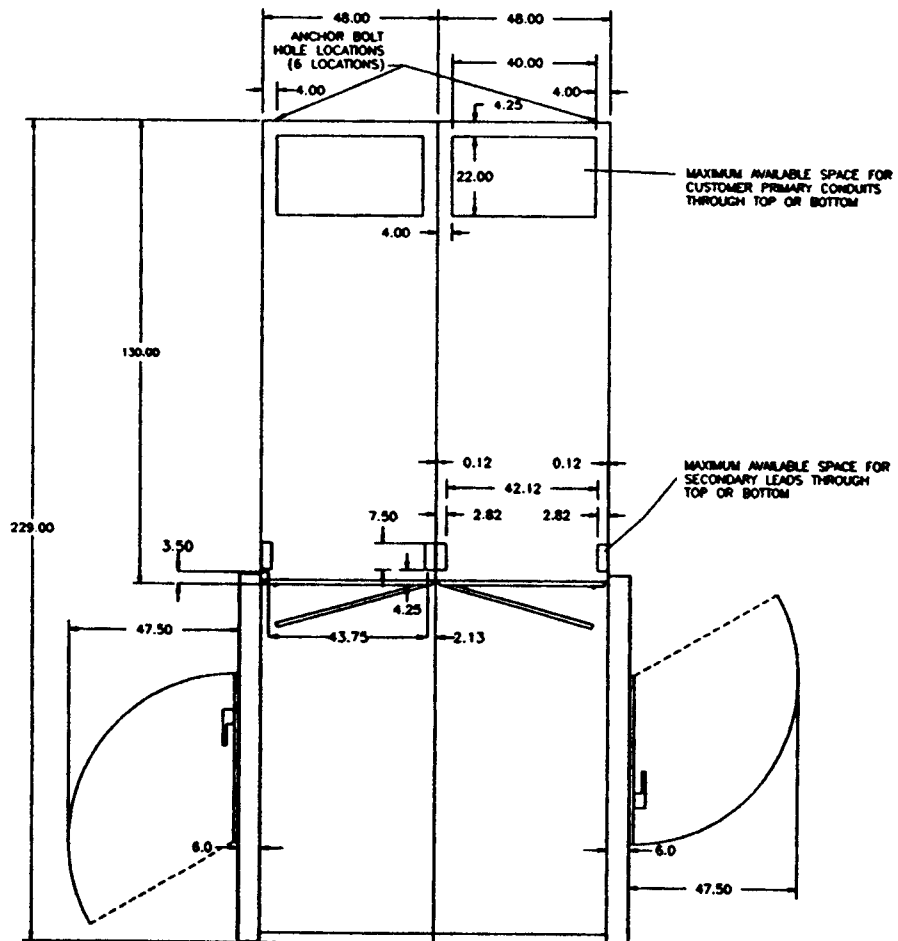
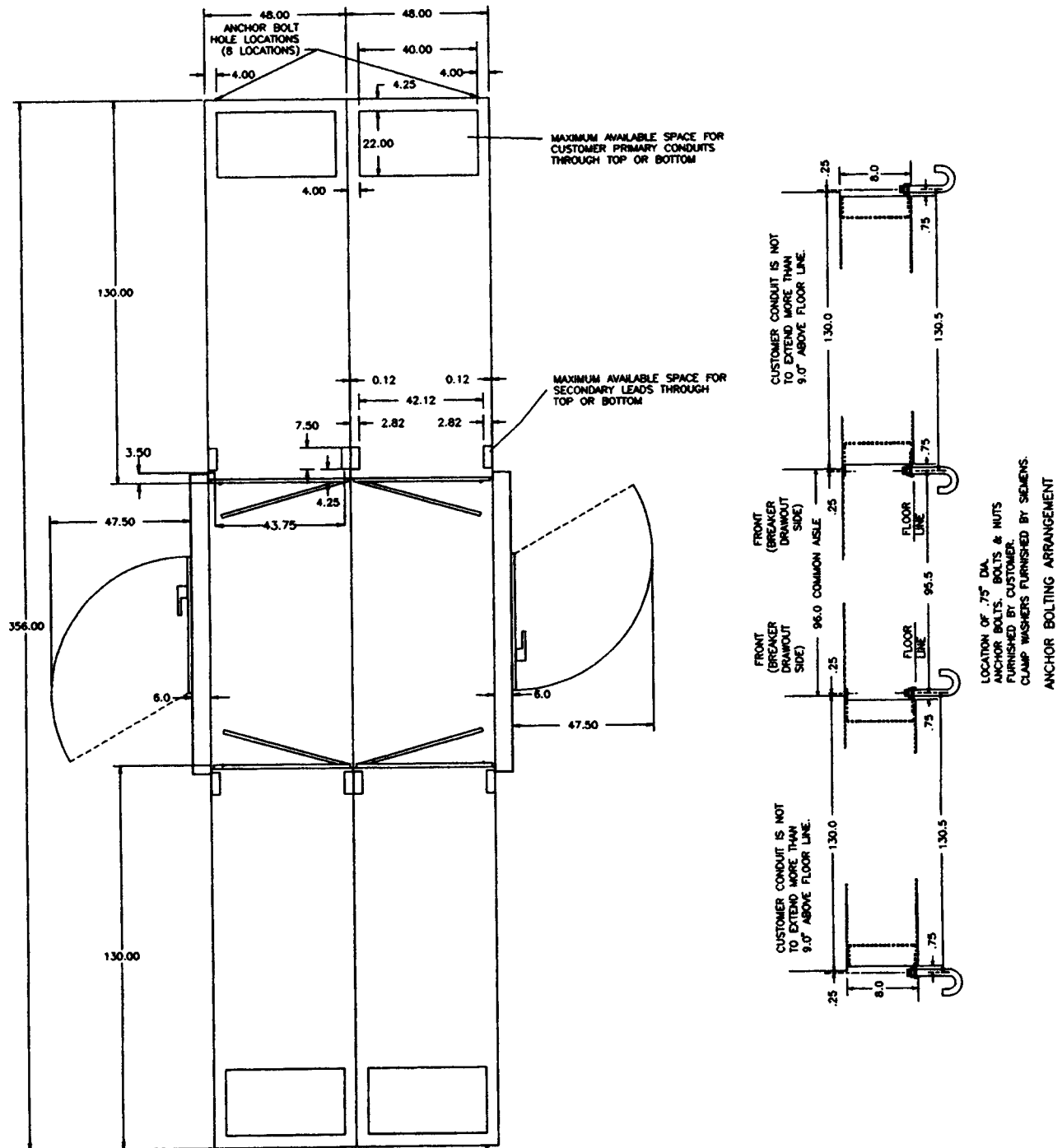


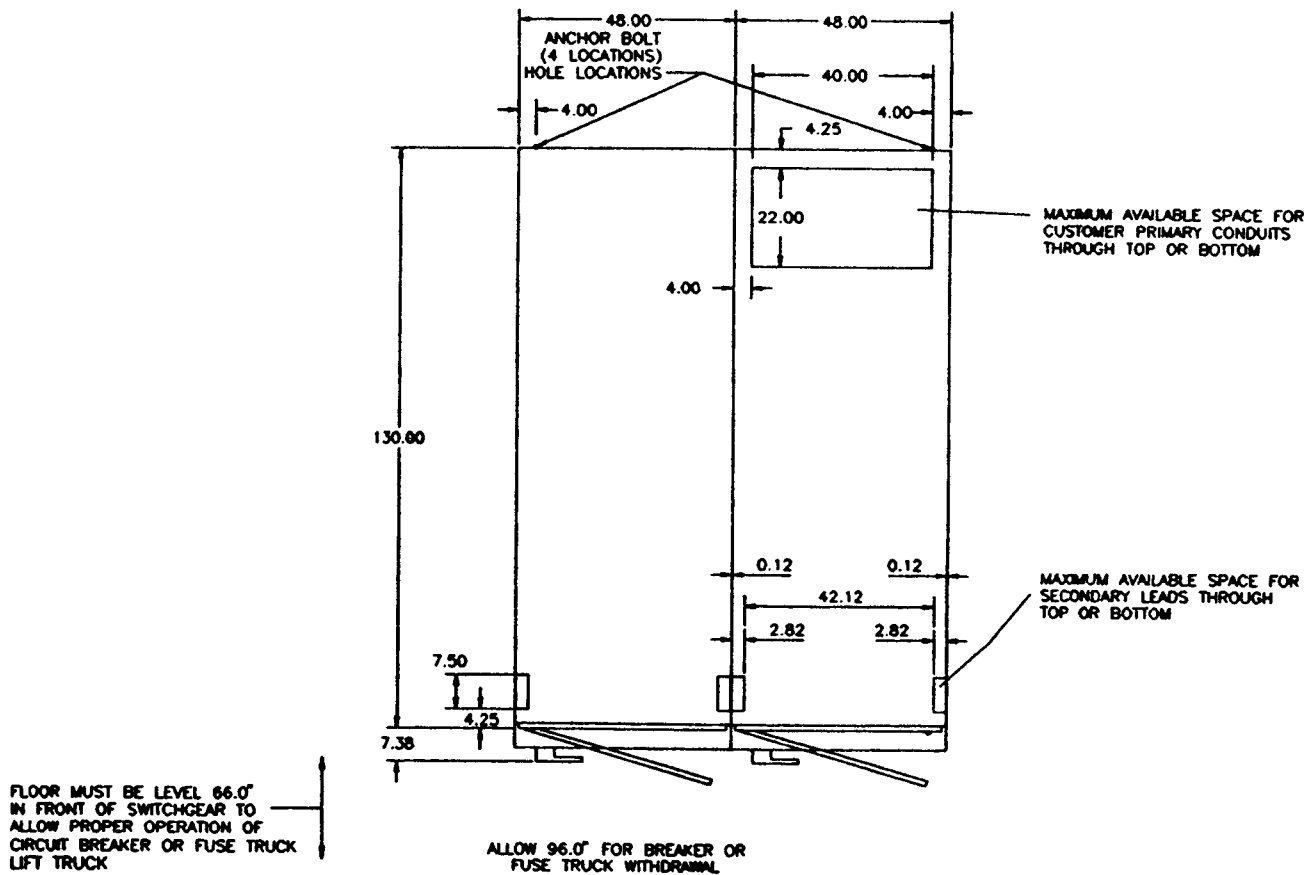
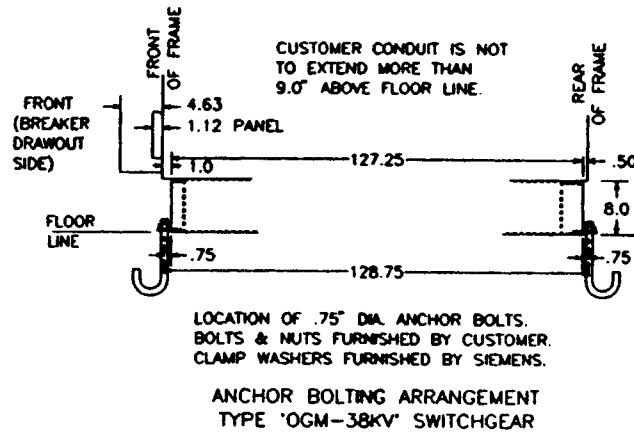
Figure 8. Anchoring Outdoor SGM38 Shelter-Clad (single aisle) Switchgear

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**Figure 9.** Anchoring Outdoor SGM38 Shelter-Clad (common aisle) Switchgear

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**Figure 10.** Anchoring Outdoor OGM38 Non-Walk-In Switchgear

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## Erecting Cubicles

The proper erection method depends on whether the units are shipped as one complete group, or in two or more shipping sections. In any case, the general arrangement drawing will indicate the shipping groups, and their location within the lineup. Units are assembled in accordance with the general arrangement.

Before setting and erecting the cubicles, determine the correct location of each shipping group on the general arrangement drawing. Sweep the mounting surface to remove all dirt and debris.

## Anchoring, Leveling, and Assembling Indoor Switchgear

Indoor switchgear shipping groups are held in true alignment by bolts holding the vertical sections to each other.

The entire shipping group is to be anchored and leveled as a single element without loosening any hardware until entire shipping group is leveled and anchored.

1. The switchgear equipment was accurately aligned on level steel bed plates at the factory. This care insures proper operation and fit of mating parts. Supporting surfaces for the switchgear at each anchoring bolt location must be level and in the same plane. There must not be any projection above this plane within the area covered by the switchgear cubicles. If purchaser's floor or grouted sill channels do not meet this requirement, it will be necessary to shim in the following manner. The eight (8) anchor bolt locations in each cubicle must freely rest in firm contact with the mounting support surfaces. There must not be any projection or obstruction in other areas which may distort the cubicle. Do not force cubicle in firm contact by drawing down anchoring bolts as such drastic means will distort cubicles. Add 4" (100mm) square shims adjacent to anchor bolts until firm contact is achieved. Check each anchor bolt location, 8 per cubicle. (See **Figure 7.**)
2. Tighten anchor bolts or weld to sills.
3. If line-up consists of multiple groups, move the next group into position, with the front of units in line and tight against the adjacent group. Do not bolt groups together at this time. Check that the cubicles are in firm contact with the foundation at each corner and anchor point and that bolt holes are in alignment. Add 4" (100mm) square shims as necessary. Tighten the anchor bolts. Now bolt groups together.
4. After installation is complete, the lifting bar between units may be removed and the unit lift bars pushed down inside the units. Note that bolts inside the units which clamp the lift bars in place must be loose to allow movement of the lift bar.

## Outdoor Shelter-Clad Switchgear

### Anchoring and Levelling

In Shelter-Clad arrangements, the switchgear, as shipped, is true and in correct position relative to its support base. The formed floor sections are a permanent part of the switchgear, and are not to be loosened or moved from position.

Verify the anchor bolt locations in the concrete and all points

shown in the general arrangement plan view. Sweep the foundation to make certain it is free of pebbles and other debris. Check the general arrangement drawing for positioning of the switchgear and sequence of installation if arrangement consists of more than one shipping group.

Single aisle Shelter-Clad cubicles are shipped with the aisle wall covering the breaker drawout compartment. This wall may be removed before moving the switchgear into position on its foundation, if conduit clearances are in doubt, or if aisle is to be assembled immediately after levelling.

1. Remove seal material at top of wall.
2. Unbolt, remove, and scrap the 1-1/4" plate and 1-1/4" angle.
3. Support wall with crane or other means (Figure approximately 350 lb (156kg) per unit) and remove the two angles at each end of the group which hold the aisle wall in place. These angles can now be scrapped. Carefully lay aisle wall aside until needed for aisle assembly.
4. Remove nuts from all anchor bolts, remove caps from all secondary conduit stubs, and remove covers from secondary openings in cubicle floor plates.

The arrangement may consist of a single complete shipping group, or may be split into a number of shipping sections for a long lineup. Refer to the general arrangement drawing for instructions as to which shipping group should be installed first, and in what sequence the remaining groups are to be installed. Move the first group into position as shown on the general arrangement drawing.

5. The switchgear equipment, as shipped, was accurately aligned on level steel bed plates at the factory. This care insures proper operation and fit of mating parts. Supporting surfaces for the switchgear's 8" (203mm) base must be level and in the same plane with .06" (1.6mm). If concrete, grouted channels, pier support plates, etc. do not meet this requirement, or if there is any projection higher than the support points in line with the base, shims must be installed in the following manner to provide an equivalent true surface for switchgear support. Outdoor switchgear groups which have been assembled on a 8" (203mm) base must be supported along this base with the span between support points not exceeding 8' (2437mm). If shims are required, use 4" (100mm) square strips placed between the bottom of the base and foundation, in the anchor bolt area where they will be clamped firmly in place.
6. Add clamp washers and nuts to anchor bolts and tighten securely.
7. Check all breaker cubicles for free movement of the shutters.
8. Move the next group into position. The front edge of the cubicle base should be in line with those of the previously installed group. This will insure a good fit with the aisle floor plates. Make certain that the end of the group being installed is tightly against the previous installation. Repeat steps 5, 6 and 7 and install all shipping split hardware.

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## **Assembly of Single Aisle Shelter-Clad Switchgear (see Figure 11)**

**Table 2** lists the standard components supplied for single aisle Shelter-Clad outdoor switchgear. The item numbers in the table are used in all instructions pertaining to this procedure.

Assemble as follows:

1. Temporarily support the aisle wall assembly in its permanent position as shown in the general arrangement drawing.
2. Put roof covers in place to hold top of aisle wall in place. Do not tighten hardware.
3. Align the ends of the aisle wall, aisle channel and switchgear. Place floor plate in position between the switchgear and the wall. Install each set next to the end position between the switchgear and the wall. With floor plate set tightly against the switchgear floor plates, bolt floor plates in position. Tighten anchor bolts to secure channel locations.
4. With roof cover hardware loose, plumb front wall and tighten attaching hardware.
5. Install all floor plates.
6. Caulk aisle walls.
7. Set door assemblies in place. On the left hand side bolt the door to the aisle wall and to the side plate of the cubicle.
8. Put all roof covers in place and bolt to the adjoining roof cover with 3/8" hardware.
9. Set roof channels over roof cover joints. Bolt to clips welded to roof with retainer nuts.
10. Drill cable cover to suit conduit installation. Bolt the cover in place.
11. Mount aisle conduit, switches, receptacle and wire to the junction box at each unit. See conduit arrangement.
12. If equipment consists of more than one shipping group, caulk each vertical shipping split at the back of the switchgear with metal filler provided.
4. Mount aisle conduit, switches, receptacle and wire to junction boxes. See conduit arrangement.
5. Place roof decks in position and fasten with the bolts provided.
6. Fasten roof decks together with 3/8" hardware.
7. Set channel-shaped covers over the joints of roof decks and bolt to clips welded to roof with retainer nuts.
8. Tighten all bolts to complete assembly.
9. Drill cable cover to suit conduit. Bolt the cover in place.
10. If equipment consists of more than one shipping group, caulk all vertical shipping splits at back of switchgear with metal filler provided.

## **Assembly of Single Aisle Shelter-Clad Switchgear with Work Space (see Figure 13)**

Assemble as follows:

1. Mount aisle end plate at the end opposite the work space.
2. Move aisle wall to its permanent location as indicated on the general arrangement drawing.
3. Mount the end plate and proceed.
4. Put the workspace floor plate base in position as indicated.
5. Assemble aisle walls. See general arrangement drawing for location of special panels for fans, etc. Apply caulking at the joints of the wall sections.
6. Bolt plates together, then to the switchgear unit.
7. Caulk at joints.
8. Install end plate and attach.
9. Install aisle floor plates in the same arrangement as that for single aisle layouts.
10. Install roof support from cubicle to end of work space.
11. Put all roof decks in place and bolt to the top of the end plate and to the roof support. Leave hardware finger tight until step 13 is complete.
12. Fasten roof decks together with 3/8" hardware.
13. Mount trim angle. Tighten bolts.
14. Set roof channels over roof deck joints, bolt to clips welded to roof with retainer nuts.
15. Mount aisle conduit, switches, receptacle and wire junction boxes. Mount and connect lights per wiring diagram. See conduit arrangement.
16. If equipment consists of more than one shipping group, caulk each vertical shipping split at back of switchgear with metal filler provided.

## **Assembly of Common Aisle Shelter-Clad Switchgear (see Figure 12)**

**Table 3** lists the standard components supplied for common aisle Shelter-Clad outdoor switchgear. The item numbers in the table are used in all instructions pertaining to this procedure.

Assemble as follows:

1. Install all floor plates.
2. Caulk at joints.
3. Raise door assemblies into place. Bolt doors to side plates of cubicles.




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## Expanding Length of Existing Shelter-Clad Switchgear by Addition of Units

The new extended foundation, be it slab, pier or pilings, must be constructed in the same careful manner as described under "Foundation". The new foundation must be level and in the same plane as the existing foundation.

Certain items will be removed from existing installation as described in the following instructions. Remove these items carefully and store them for re-mounting in the expanded set up.

	<b>⚠ DANGER</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages and high-speed moving parts.</b>
	<b>Will cause death, severe personal injury, and property damage.</b>  Do not work on energized equipment. Always de-energize and ground the equipment before working on the equipment.

1. Remove the channel-shaped covers over roof joints from both aisle and switchgear unit.
2. Remove the trim angle from the outer edge of the roof deck.
3. Remove the back plates to provide access to the hardware securing the end cover. Remove the end cover with associated parts and save for later installation.
4. Disconnect aisle conduit.
5. Remove all hardware securing the side plate to the switchgear frame and hardware securing aisle end plate to the aisle wall. It may be necessary to tap a knife blade down the vertical seam between the aisle wall and the end plate to cut the caulking. Remove the entire sections from both the switchgear and aisle.
6. The lineup is now ready for installation of the new unit or units. If the foundation was carefully constructed there should be no problems with lineup of the base or matching the level of existing equipment.
7. With new units in true alignment with existing and properly leveled, bolt units together with 1/2" hardware provided.
8. Run aisle wiring from the terminal block in the existing end units, through the barrier and header to the junction box area.
9. Mount other parts removed from the existing equipment and caulk all external seams with metal filler.
10. Make all electrical connections as instructed in instruction manual or on drawings.
11. Caulk each vertical split at back of switchgear between the existing equipment and the new addition with metal filler. Replace bus compartment barriers and install back plates.

## Conventional Outdoor (Non-Walk-In) Switchgear

In conventional outdoor (non-walk-in) arrangements the switchgear, as received, is true and in correct position relative the support base. The base is a permanent part of the switchgear and is not to be loosened or moved from position.

Verify the anchor locations in the concrete and all points shown in the general arrangement plan view. Sweep the foundation to make certain it is free of pebbles and other debris. Check the general arrangement drawing for positioning of the switchgear and sequence of installation if arrangement consists of more than one shipping group.

1. Remove nuts from all anchor bolts, remove caps from all secondary conduit stubs, and remove covers from the secondary openings in the cubicle floor plates.

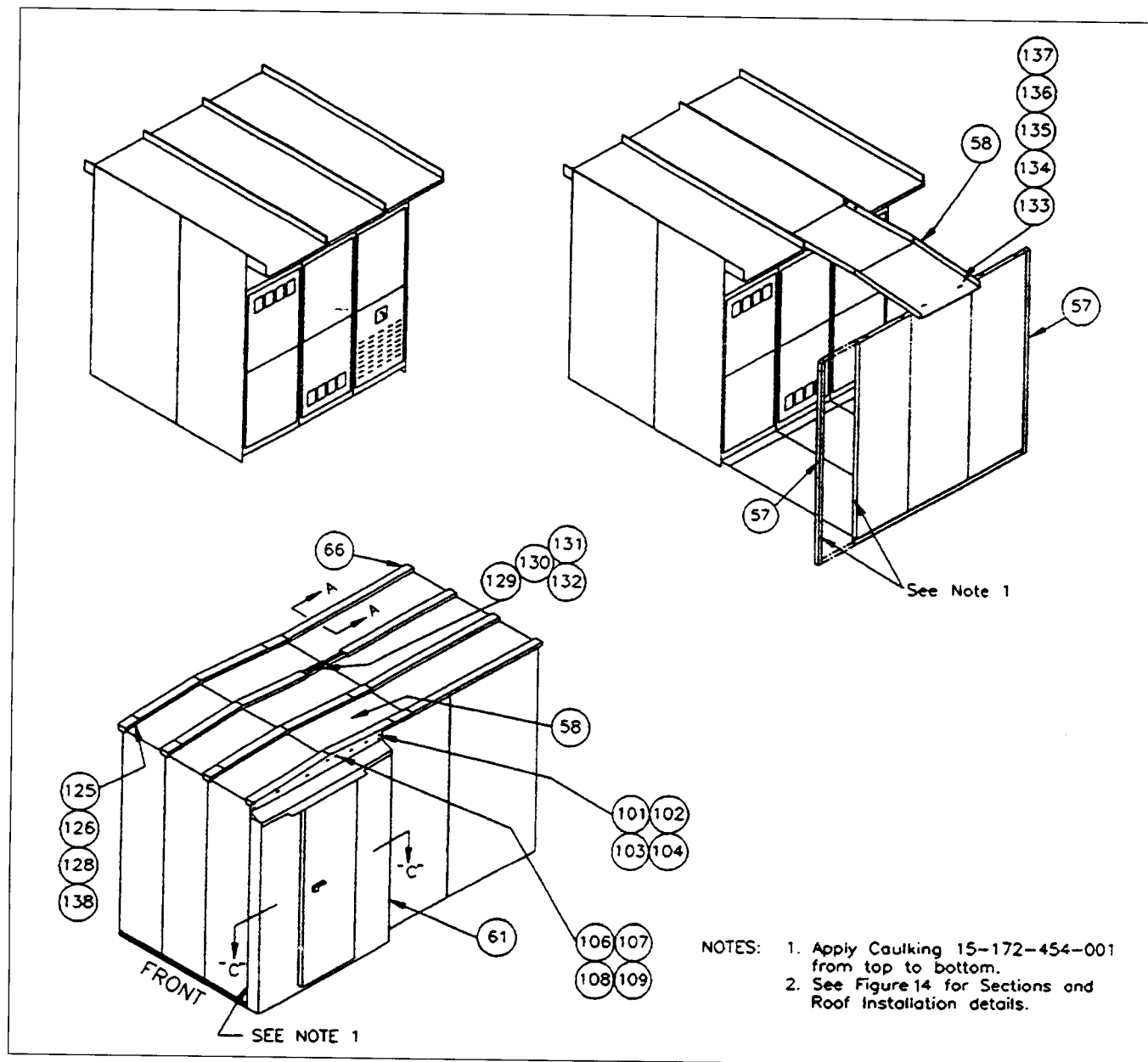
The arrangements may consist of a single complete shipping group or may be split into number of shipping groups for a long lineup. Refer to the general arrangement drawing for instructions as to which shipping group should be installed first and in what sequence the remaining groups are to be installed. Move the first group into position as shown on the general arrangement drawing.

2. The switchgear equipment as shipped was accurately aligned on level steel plates at the factory. This care insures proper operation and fit of mating parts. Supporting surfaces for the switchgear's 8" (203mm) base must be level and in same plate within .06" (1.6mm). If concrete, grouted channels, pier support plates, etc. do not meet this requirement, or if there is any projection higher than the support points in line with the base, shims must be installed in the following manner to provide equivalent true surface for switchgear support. Outdoor switchgear groups which have been assembled on 8" (203mm) base must be supported along this base with the span between support points not exceeding 8' (2437mm). If shims are required use 4" (100mm) square strips placed between the bottom of the base and foundation, in the anchor bolt area where they will be clamped firmly in place.
3. Add clamp washers and nuts to anchor and tighten securely.
4. Check all breaker cells for free movement of the shutters.
5. Move the next group into position. The front edge of the cubicle base should be on line with those of the previously installed groups. Make certain that the end of the group being installed is tightly against the previous installation. Repeat steps 3, 4 and 5 and install all shipping hardware.

## Expanding Length of Existing Conventional Outdoor (Non-Walk-In) Switchgear by Addition of Units

Expanding the length of existing conventional outdoor switchgear by field addition of units should be handled in the same manner as Shelter-Clad switchgear with the exception that there is no aisle with which to be concerned. Follow the instructions given under "Expanding the Length of Existing Shelter-Clad Switchgear by Addition of Units". However, note that only roof channels, bus compartment barriers and end plates need to be removed on conventional switchgear.

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**Figure 11.** Single Aisle (SGM38) Field Assembly

**Table 2.** Single Aisle (SGM38) Field Assembly Components

Item No.	Part Name	Part Number
54	Aisle Floor Assembly	18-752-199-501
57	Aisle Wall Spacer	18-658-147-383
58	Aisle Roof	18-818-456-501
60	Aisle Roof Spacer	18-658-106-037
61	Housing Assembly 6"	18-487-190-501
63	Aisle Roof Trim Angle	18-752-169-001
64	Aisle Roof Cap	18-752-168-001
65	Aisle Roof End Cap	18-740-698-118
66	Equipment Roof Cap	18-752-123-501
101-113	Aisle End Hardware	18-658-583-823
125-138	Aisle Roof & Floor Hdw.	18-658-583-824

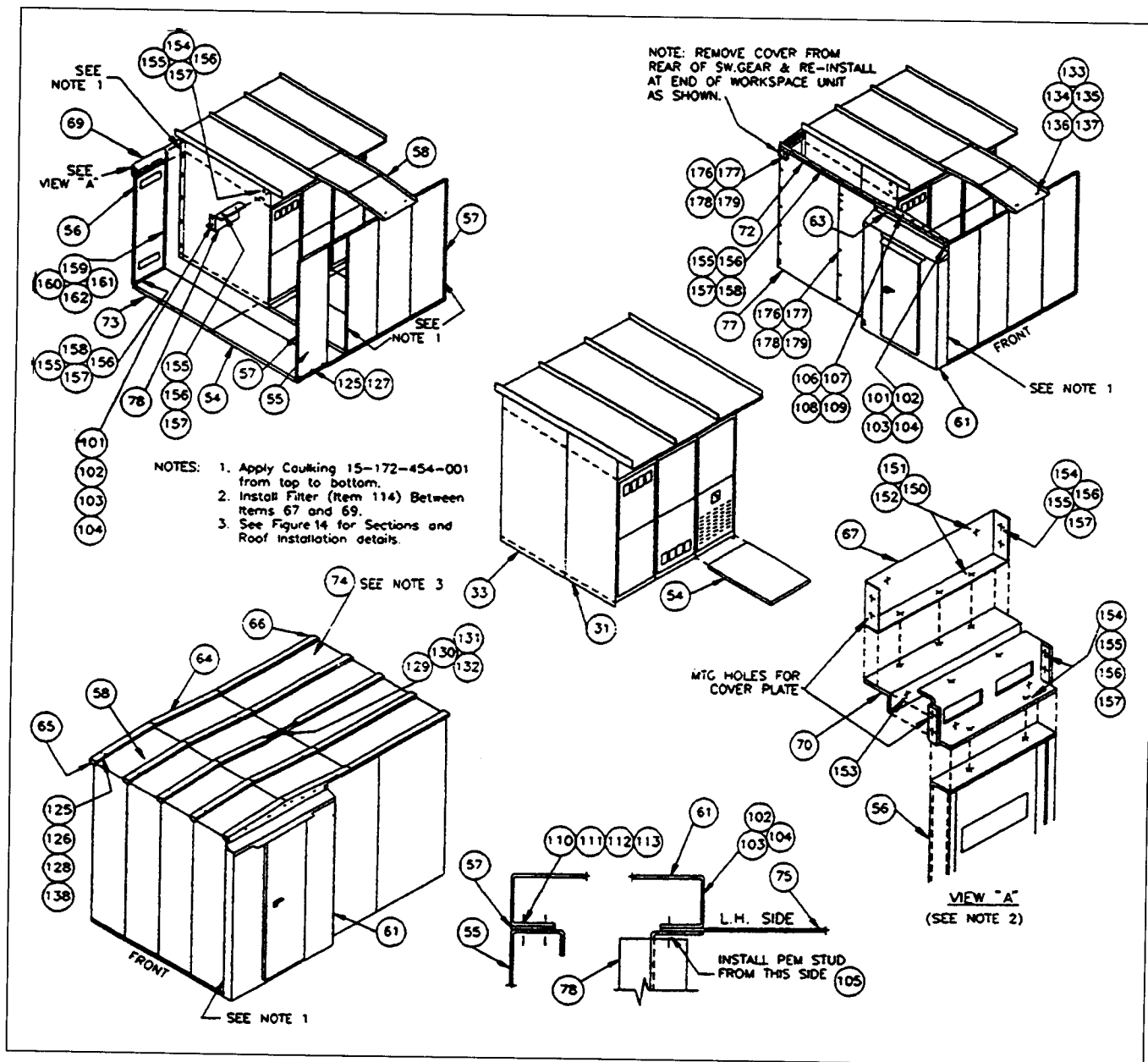
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**Table 3.** Common Aisle (SGM38) Field Assembly Components

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61	Housing Assembly 6"	18-487-190-501
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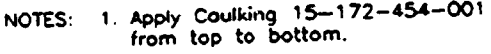


**Figure 13.** Single Aisle (SGM38) with Work Space Field Assembly

**Table 4.** Single Aisle (SGM38) with Work Space Field Assembly Components

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# Electrical Connections

## Bus Bar

Bus bar is furnished connection between many of the high voltage items within the switchgear enclosure, such as main bus, circuit breakers, and pads for cable terminations. Cables are provided for connection to primary disconnect assemblies for voltage and control power transformers, and for connection to surge arrestors.

Standard bus bar material is copper with silver-plated joints for electrical connections. Bus bars are insulated with heat-shrink insulation. Bus bar joints are insulated with molded insulation boots (where a boot is available) or are taped.

Additional insulation is provided by clearance thru air and bus supports. In some locations, standoff insulators are used. Porcelain insulator rings mounted in glass polyester supports, porcelain standoff insulators and/or epoxy primary disconnect bushings are also used.

	<b>⚠ DANGER</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages.</b>
	<b>Will cause death, severe personal injury, and property damage.</b>
	Do not contact energized bus.  De-energize and properly ground high voltage conductors before working on or near them.

## Bus Joints

When a switchgear group is split for shipping purposes, the primary bus and ground bus connections must be made when installing the switchgear. These bolted connections are relatively simple to make. Refer to **Figures 15** and **16** and these instructions:

Access to the main bus from the cable termination area is achieved by removing the main bus compartment barrier which separates the main bus from the cable area. Refer to **Figure 24**. For some arrangements it may be necessary to remove items between the main bus barriers and the rear of the unit in order to gain full access. After completion of the bus assembly and insulation, these items should be reassembled in reverse sequence.

1. Molded plastic insulation boots for bus bar joints are normally shipped factory installed at shipping splits. Note their location and orientation, so they may be properly reinstalled after the joint is bolted together. Carefully remove and save the nylon hardware and the boot. In some cases a snap closure is molded into the boot and replaces some of the nuts and bolts.
2. All surfaces must be free of dust, dirt or other foreign material. Do not use any abrasive cleaner on plated contact surfaces. Cleaning is normally not necessary and should not be done unless parts are badly tarnished. If cleaning is necessary, use a mild cleaner and thoroughly rinse the parts to remove all residue. Keep cleaning agent off insulation.

3. Before assembling any bus bar joint, check that the bar is inserted through bus supports (when required) and interunit bus supports. Observe the relationship of the bus bar to the breaker riser (i.e. whether bus bar is in front of, or behind, the riser). Maintain this relationship when connecting bus bars. Spacers are required in some bus joint connections.
4. Assemble all joints with the parts dry. Do not use any grease or "no-oxide" product.

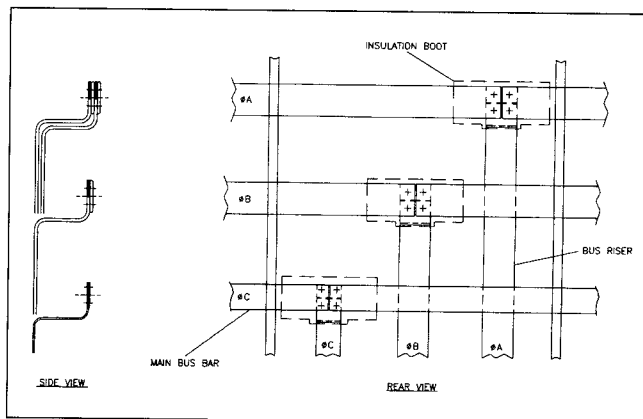


Figure 15. Main Bus Joints—Breaker Section

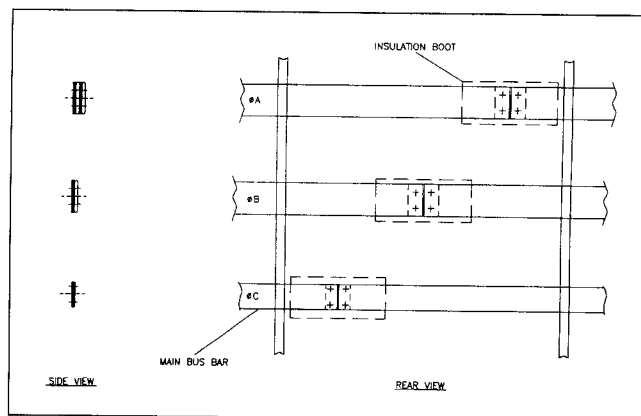


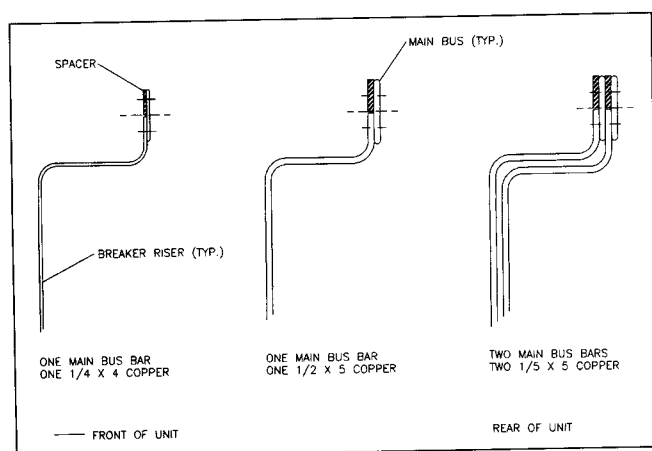
Figure 16. Main Bus Joints—Auxiliary Section

**NOTE:** All main bus hardware furnished is plated high strength steel. Cap screws are .50" 13 SAE Grade 5. Do not substitute with smaller or lower grade hardware than supplied.

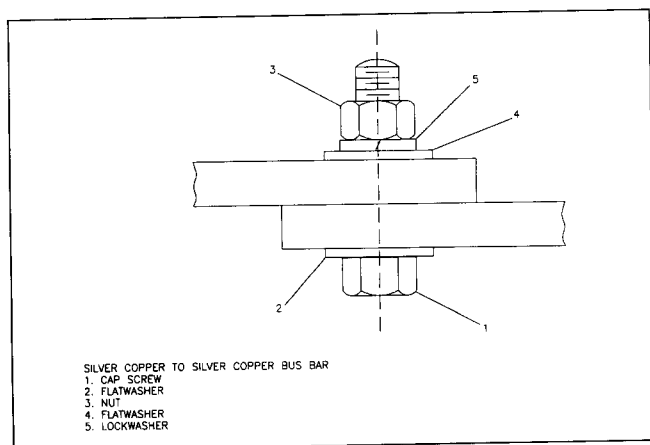
5. Use proper hardware. Heavy flat washers are used on both sides of the bus bar joint—under the cap screw head as well as under the nut and lockwasher. These washers insure an evenly distributed force around each bolt, producing a low resistance joint. Proper torque value produces a joint of adequate pressure without cold flow.

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6. Assemble all joints as shown in **Figures 15** thru **18**. Install all hardware the same way that factory bus connections were installed. Hardware must be aligned properly or molded insulations may not fit over the joints.
  - a. Place a flat washer on the cap screws (bolt) and insert the cap screw through the bus joint towards rear of unit.
  - b. Place a flat washer against the bar with a lockwasher between the flat washer and the nut.
  - c. Spacers on links are required at certain bus joints to insure the cross sectional area of the joint. The conditions where these spacers are required vary with the type of bus joint. Refer to **Figure 17**.



**Figure 17.** Main Bus Joints Connection Configurations



**Figure 18.** Bus Bar Joint Assembly

7. Torque the .50" SAE Grade No. 5 cap screws to within 50-75 lb-ft. (68-102 Nm) torque. (If special hardware is required by an order, other torque values will be supplied with field assembly drawings.)
8. Install insulation boots or tape joints where required per instructions in following sections.
9. Connect ground bus. See **Figure 28**. Insert bar in side wall opening to overlap the ground bus in adjacent cubicles.
10. Torque the SAE Grade 5 cap screw used in the ground bus to 25-40 lb-ft. (34 to 54 Nm).

## Bus Insulation

Bus and connections are insulated in metal-clad switchgear as part of a coordinated insulation system. Air or creep distance plus bus insulation combines to provide the needed insulation level. BUS INSULATION IS NOT DESIGNED TO PREVENT SHOCK.

	<b>⚠ DANGER</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages.</b>
	<b>Will cause death, severe personal injury, and property damage.</b>
	Do not contact energized bus.
De-energize and properly ground high voltage conductors before working on or near them.	

Heat shrink insulation is normally furnished on the bus bars. Bus joints are normally insulated with boots. Taping is also used for bus joint insulation.

See ANSI C37.20.2-6.2.3 which reads as follows:

This insulating covering is a requirement of metal-clad switchgear and is provided to minimize the possibility of communicating faults and to prevent development of bus faults that would result if foreign objects momentarily contacted bare bus. This insulating covering is usually only a part of the primary insulation system and in such cases the outer surface of this insulating covering will not be at ground potential. It should not be assumed, therefore, that personnel can contact this insulating covering with complete safety.

## Bus Joint Insulation - Boots

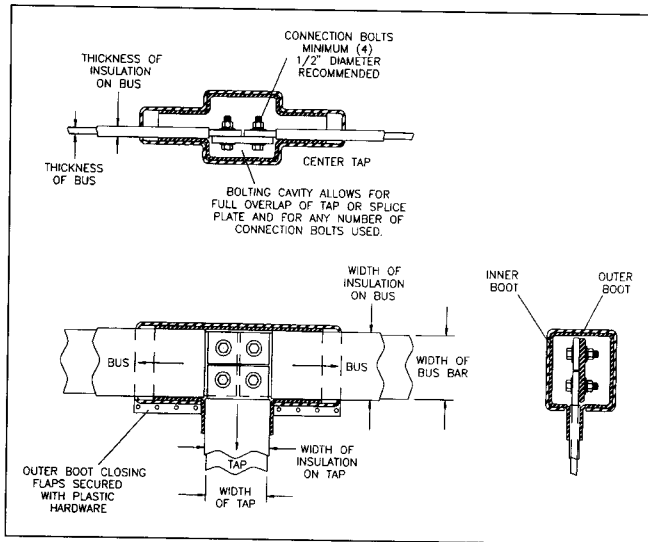
Standard and repetitive bus bar joints are normally provided with insulation boots installed at the factory. See **Figure 19**. After they are completed in the field, bus bar joints at shipping splits must be insulated as part of the total insulation system. Normally boots are provided for field completed shipping split joints and are shipped in the location where they will finally be installed. See **Figure 20**.

Before removal of the boot to complete the joint, observe the location and orientation of the boot and hardware. This should make reinstallation easier.

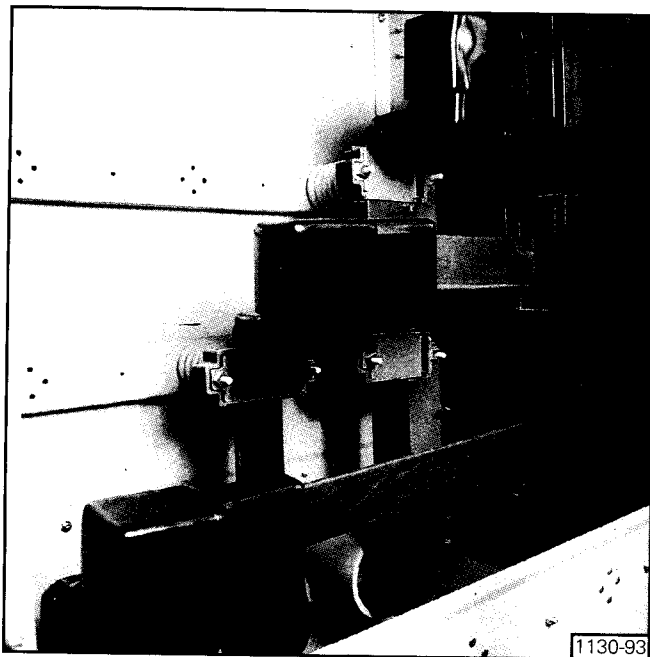
Nylon nuts and bolts and flat washers are used to hold the boot closed after it is installed. Some boots may use molded-in threaded stems to provide a snap type closure, in addition to nylon nuts and bolts. Carefully remove the insulation boot and save all hardware.

After the bus bar joint has been properly assembled, reinstall the insulation boot. Secure the boot closed with the nylon nuts and bolts. Completed boot installation should be flush with the bus bar insulation and overlap it by at least 3-1/2 inches (89mm). In those cases where the boot does not close flush with the bus bar insulation or the overlap is less than 3-1/2 inches (89mm), apply one layer of tape (15-171-987-001) 1/2 lapped, overlapping the bar insulation and boot by 3-1/2 inches (89mm).

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**Figure 19.** Typical Installation of Insulating Boot



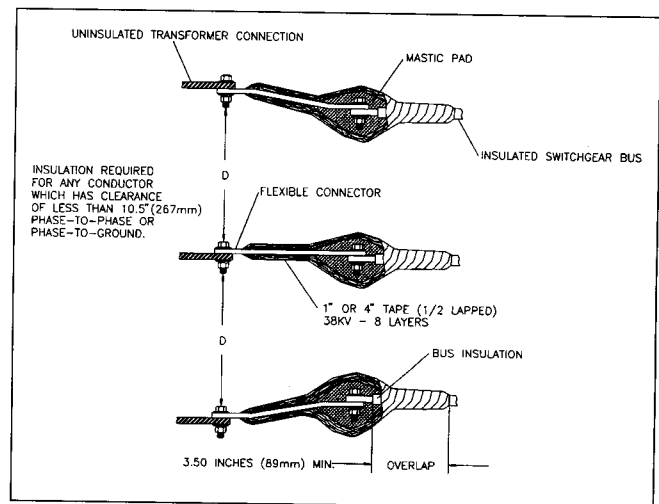
**Figure 20.** Main Bus with Insulating Boots Installed

## Bus Joint Insulation - Taping

Insulation boots are normally provided for repetitive or standard bus joint conditions. Where boots are not provided, the bus joints must be carefully taped to the required insulation level as described below. See **Figure 21**, which depicts a taped connection from switchgear to an adjacent power transformer throat. In this case, the transformer bus is usually spaced far enough apart that it does not require insulation. However, the switchgear conductors must be insulated. Insulate any conductors which have less than 10.5 inches (267mm) clearance between phases, or to ground.

1. Inspect bolted joints to insure they are correctly assembled, bolt heads in proper direction and hardware has been torqued to proper value. All surfaces must be free of dust, dirt or other foreign material.
2. Apply a mastic pad over nuts and a second pad over the bolt heads. Use either small (15-171-988-001: 3.25" x 4.50" (83mm x 114mm) or large (15-171-988-002: 4.50" x 6.50" (114mm x 164mm)) size pad most suitable for joint involved. Remove backing and press adhesive side-down and mold in place covering all sharp projections. Cover hardware and sharp edges of bus bar if any will be against the tape.
3. Apply half-lapped layers of 4" (102mm) wide tape (15-171-987-002) or 1" (25mm) wide tape (15-171-987-001), over the joint. Each layer should overlap the bus bar insulation by at least 3-1/2 inches (89mm). Stretching of tape 10% to 15% in problem areas may help in eliminating voids and wrinkles. Use eight half-lapped layers of tape over mastic pads.

Avoid excessive pressure on the completed bus joint insulation. If bus joints are on standoff insulators, apply tape per the above procedures except the half-lapped tape should overlap the insulator by at least 3.0 inches (76mm).



**Figure 21.** Taped Joint Insulation-Switchgear Bus to Transformer Throat

## Transformer Bus Joints - Insulation

The typical transformer to switchgear bus joint shown in **Figure 21** is different from other bus joints in the switchgear main bus. In the transformer bus joints, there is a transition from the fully insulated switchgear system to the transformer where the spacing between conductors is usually large enough so that the conductors need not be insulated. The use of flexible connectors in this area insures correct alignment of the switchgear conductors to the transformer conductors. If the installed clearance (phase-to-phase or phase-to-ground) is less than 10.5" (267 mm), the joint must be insulated.

See **Figure 21**, make bus joint connections and tape as outlined previously under Bus Joint Insulations - Taping.

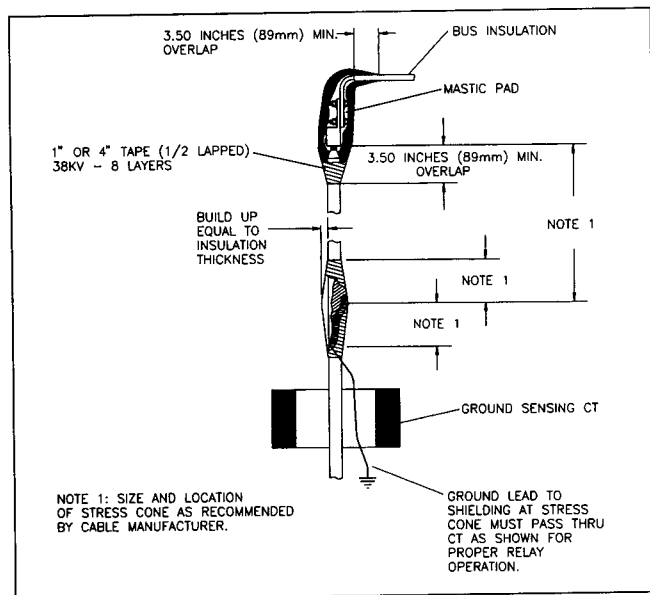


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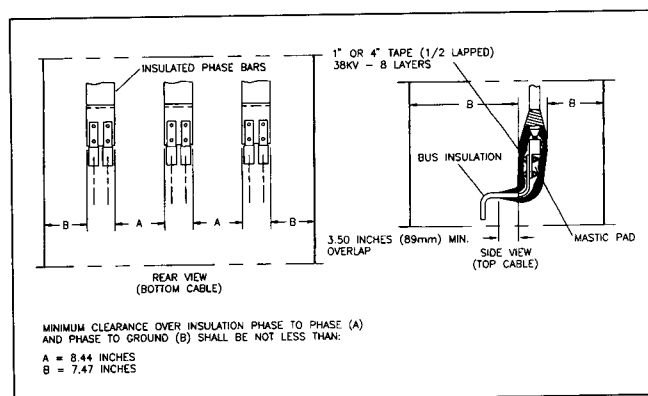
## Primary Cable Connections

All cable connections to metal-clad switchgear must be fully insulated to comply with the ANSI C37.20.2 definition of metal-clad switchgear. Recommendations of the cable supplier should be followed for the installation. Typical termination configuration is shown in **Figure 22**.

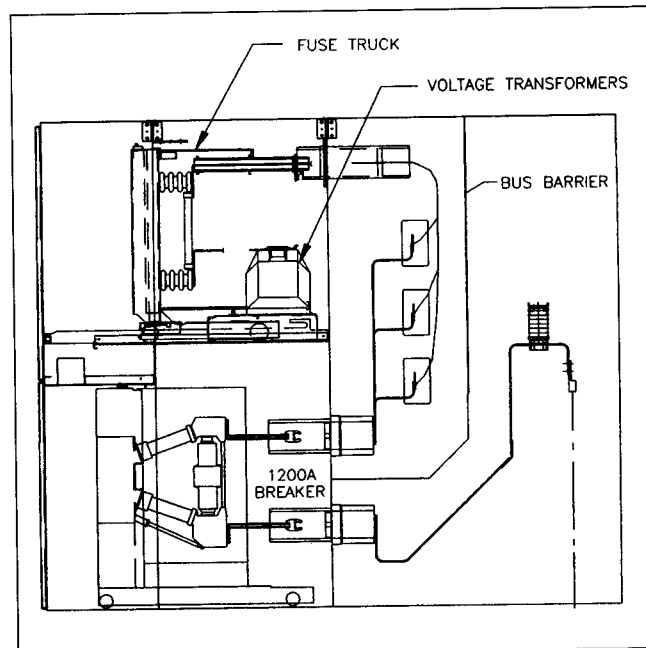
Because of considerable variations in installation requirements and available cables, Siemens furnishes a double-bolt, double-clamp, terminal lug as standard. All insulating and terminating materials other than terminal lugs and cable supports are to be furnished by the purchaser.



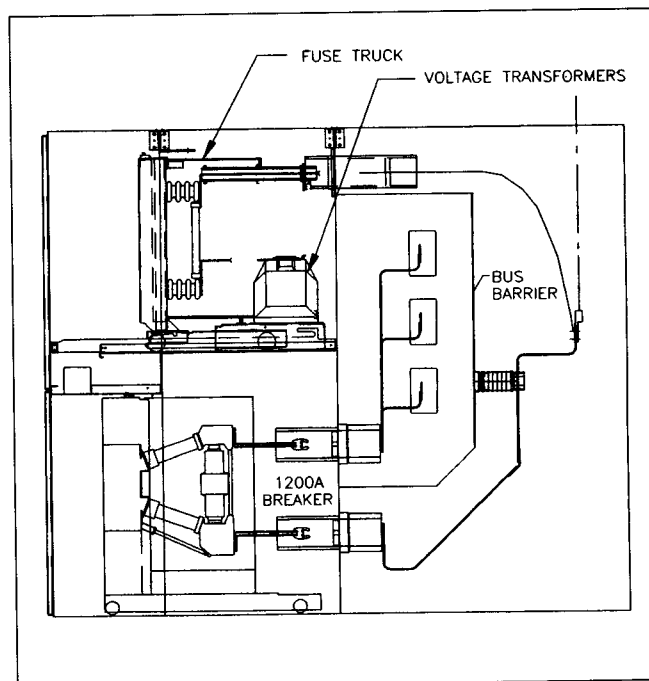
**Figure 22.** Primary Cable Termination and Insulation



**Figure 23.** Typical Cable Terminal Mounting and Insulation

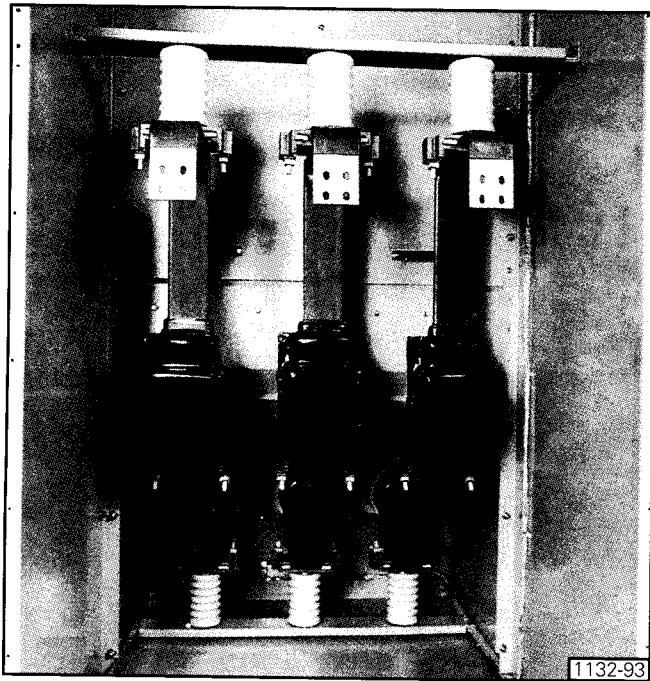


**Figure 24.** Typical Cable Termination—Bottom Exit Cables



**Figure 25.** Typical Cable Termination—Top Exit Cables

# Electrical Connections



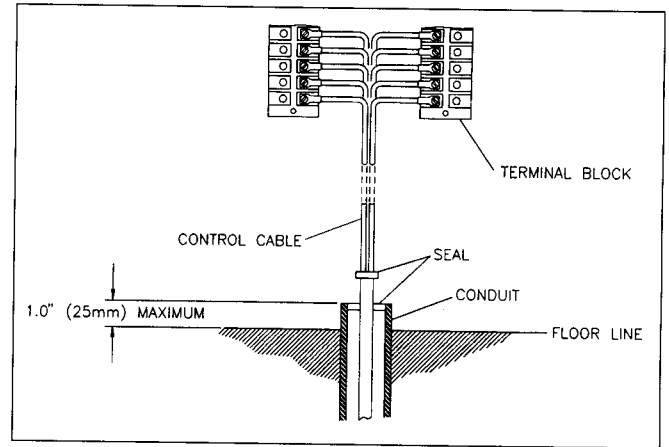
**Figure 26.** Typical Cable Termination Compartment

## Secondary Control Wiring

Secondary Control wiring is carefully installed and tested at the factory. Inter-group wiring at shipping splits can be readily connected by referring to wire markings. These wires are not terminated and are of sufficient length to be routed to their termination point after cubicles are bolted together. Terminals for these leads are furnished by the purchaser to suit the available crimping tools. Terminal block hardware is furnished with the switchgear. All wiring diagrams needed for installation are furnished in advance.

Wires can be easily traced on a wiring diagrams furnished for the switchgear. Each device is illustrated and identified with a letter. Each terminal on each device is identified by a number. The wire list adjacent to each device on the diagram indicates the device and terminal number to which each wire is connected at the next connection point.

All secondary control wiring installed by the factory is neatly bundled and cleated to the cubicle side plate. Make all field connections in a similar manner. Check that the circuit breaker, its components and panel clear any additional wiring installed. **Figure 27** shows a typical secondary control cable installation. All purchaser wiring is to be routed behind the cable retainer which is removable for installation purposes. Use plastic or nylon ties to secure all field installed wires to the cubicle structure.



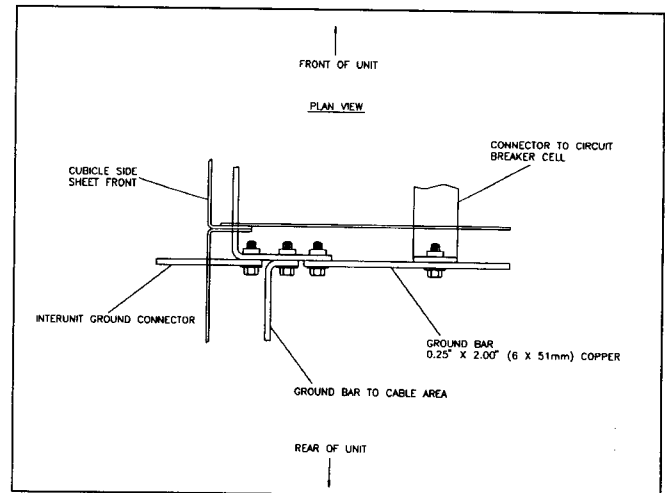
**Figure 27.** Secondary Control Cable Connections

## Ground Connections

A common ground bus is incorporated in all units for properly grounding the equipment after installation. (**Figure 28**).

The ground bus extending through the switchgear is accessible in the primary cable area of each unit. The interunit connector has provisions for two bolts at each end. For ease of assembly, install bottom bolts first. Insure that ground bar to circuit breaker cell is also bolted to interunit bar.

Provision for connecting this ground bus must be made in such a manner that a reliable ground connection is obtained. Consult latest National Electrical Code for ground connection standards.



**Figure 28.** Ground Bus Connection

## Temporary Ground Connections

It is recommended that no work be done on current carrying parts until these parts have been disconnected from the system and solidly grounded. One method of solidly grounding the high voltage circuit is by use of a grounding device. This device is placed in a cubicle in the same manner as a breaker and provides a path to ground. It is furnished only when specified in the contract.

# Instrument Transformers

## Control Power and Voltage Transformers-General Information

When required, fuses for voltage transformers (VTs) or for a control power transformer (CPT) can be mounted on a withdrawable rollout fuse truck. Each auxiliary cell (A = upper, or B = lower) can contain one rollout truck. See **Table 5** for various fuse rollout locations. The fuse rollout (or drawout) configuration is designed so that the load side primary disconnects are grounded when the fuse rollout truck is withdrawn. This removes any residual charge from the transformer winding.

The rollout fuse truck is designed so that the front panel of the truck cannot be opened to gain access to the fuses until the rollout truck is in the DISCONNECT position in the cell. The rollout fuse truck cannot be racked in the cell unless the front panel of the rollout fuse truck is closed.

## Voltage Transformers

One, two, or three voltage transformers may be mounted behind the roll-out truck located in cells A or B. See "Operating Sequence" section for disconnecting, connecting or withdrawal instructions for the fuse truck.

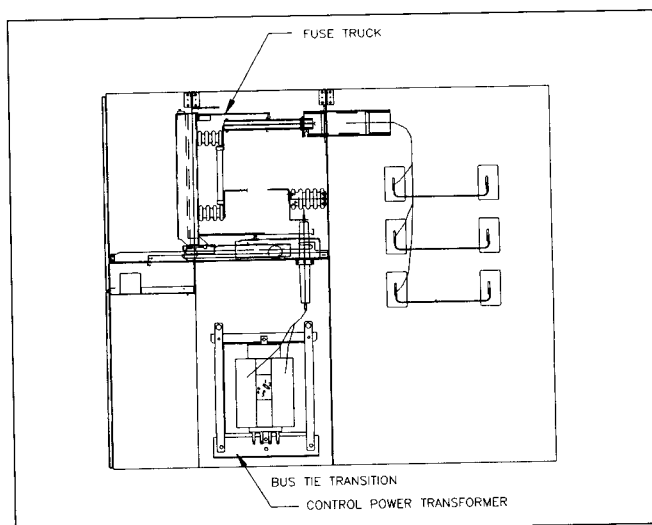
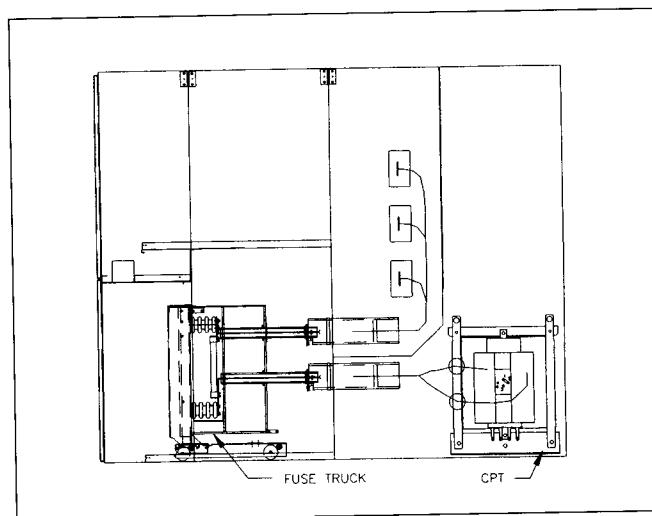
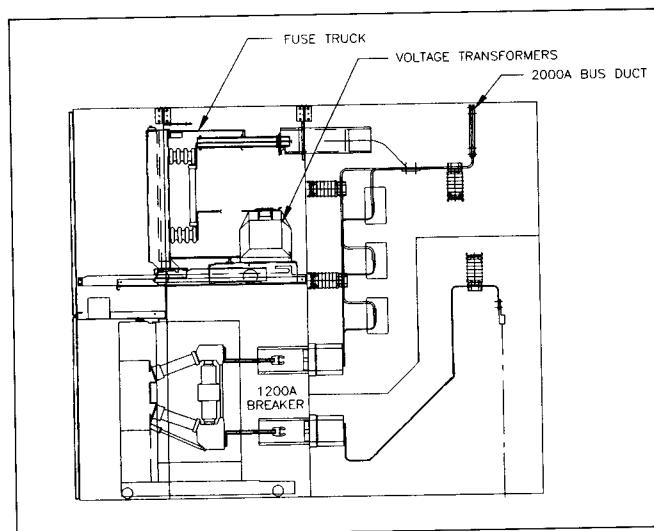
## Control Power Transformer

Control power transformers are stationary mounted, either in the rear of the switchgear section, or in the lower front cell. If the CPT is located in the rear of the section, the primary fuses are mounted on a rollout fuse truck which is located in the lower front cell. If the CPT is located in the lower front cell, the primary fuses are mounted on a rollout fuse truck which is located in the upper cell. A secondary circuit breaker is provided, key interlocked with the rollout fuse truck so that the secondary circuit breaker must be locked open before the rollout fuse truck can be withdrawn.

**Table 5.** Fuse Rollout Truck Locations

Cell	Rollout Fuse Truck May Be Used for:
A (Upper)	Fuses for Voltage Transformer (VT), with VT's located behind rollout
B (Lower)	Fuses for Voltage Transformer, with VT's located behind rollout  Fuses for Control Power Transformer (CPT) with CPT installed in rear of section.

Typical roll-out truck locations are shown in side views in **Figure 29**.



**Figure 29.** Typical VT and CPT Fuse Rollout Locations

# Instrument Transformers

## Operating Sequence

### To Disconnect VT Fuses

Disconnecting VT fuses from the primary circuit is accomplished by racking the rollout fuse truck from the CONNECT position to the DISCONNECT position. The operating sequence is as follows:

1. Open the switchgear front door, to allow access to the racking mechanism inside the cell.
2. Rack the rollout fuse truck in a smooth continuous manner from the CONNECT to the DISCONNECT position. During racking, audible sound will be heard as the rollout fuse truck primary disconnect contacts separate from the cubicle disconnects. DO NOT STOP RACKING as this noise is normal.
3. Once the rollout fuse truck is in the DISCONNECT position, the fuses are accessible by opening the front panel of the rollout fuse truck.
4. Close the switchgear front door.
5. Rotate the interlock (Key 2). This withdraws an interlock bolt, and disables the position indicator interlock. It also "frees" Key 2.
6. Remove Key 2 and insert it in the key interlock (Key 2) on the racking mechanism for the rollout fuse truck.
7. Rotate Key 2, withdrawing the interlock bolt from the racking mechanism.
8. With the interlock bolt withdrawn, rack the rollout fuse truck in a smooth continuous manner from the CONNECT to the DISCONNECT position. During racking, audible sound will be heard as the rollout fuse truck primary disconnect contacts separate from the cubicle disconnects. DO NOT STOP RACKING as this noise is normal.
9. Once the rollout fuse truck is in the DISCONNECT position, the fuses are accessible by opening the front panel of the rollout fuse truck.
10. Close the switchgear front door.

### To Connect VT Fuses

Connecting VT fuses to the primary circuit is accomplished by racking the rollout fuse truck from the DISCONNECT position to the CONNECT position. The operating sequence is as follows:

1. Open the switchgear front door, to allow access to the racking mechanism inside the cell.
2. Close the front panel of the rollout fuse truck. The truck cannot be racked unless this panel is closed.
3. Rack the rollout fuse truck in a smooth continuous manner from the DISCONNECT to the CONNECT position. During racking, audible sound will be heard as the rollout fuse truck primary disconnect contacts separate from the cubicle disconnects. DO NOT STOP RACKING as this noise is normal.
4. When the rollout fuse truck is in between the DISCONNECT position and the CONNECT position, or is in the CONNECT position, the fuses are inaccessible as the front panel of the rollout fuse truck cannot be opened.
5. Close the switchgear front door.

### To Disconnect CPT Fuses

Disconnecting CPT fuses from the primary circuit is accomplished by racking the rollout fuse truck from the CONNECT position to the DISCONNECT position. The key interlock sequence described must be followed in order to rack the rollout fuse truck. Refer to **Figure 32** for location of key interlocks. The operating sequence is as follows:

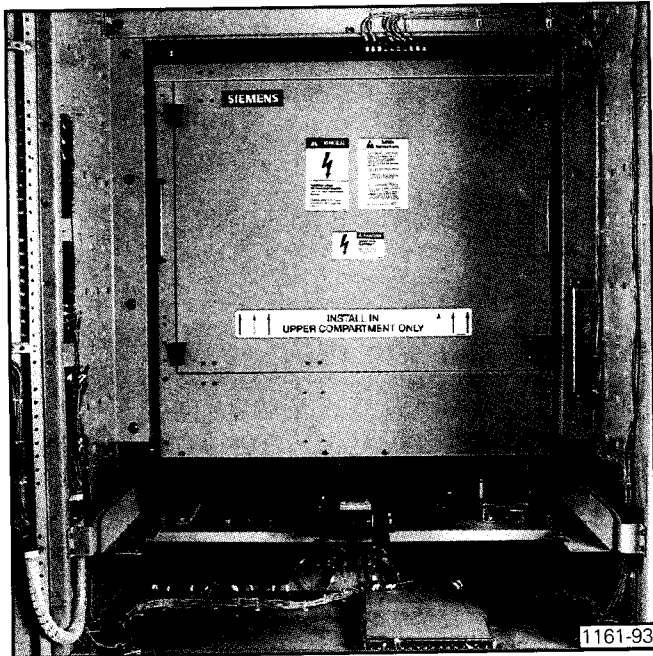
1. Open the switchgear front door, to allow access to the racking mechanism and interlocks inside the cell.
2. Locate the secondary molded case circuit breaker, normally mounted on the interior secondary device panel.
3. Open the molded case circuit breaker, and rotate key interlock (Key 1) to lock the molded case circuit breaker in the open position.
4. Remove Key 1, and insert it in the key interlock on the position indicator interlock assembly. This assembly is located on the bottom pan of the rollout fuse truck cell.
5. Rotate the key interlock (Key 2). This withdraws an interlock bolt, and disables the position indicator interlock. It also "frees" Key 2.
6. Remove Key 2 and insert it in the key interlock (Key 2) on the racking mechanism for the rollout fuse truck.
7. Rotate Key 2, withdrawing the interlock bolt from the racking mechanism.
8. With the interlock bolt withdrawn, rack the rollout fuse truck in a smooth continuous manner from the CONNECT to the DISCONNECT position. During racking, audible sound will be heard as the rollout fuse truck primary disconnect contacts separate from the cubicle disconnects. DO NOT STOP RACKING as this noise is normal.
9. Once the rollout fuse truck is in the DISCONNECT position, the fuses are accessible by opening the front panel of the rollout fuse truck.
10. Close the switchgear front door.

### To Connect CPT Fuses

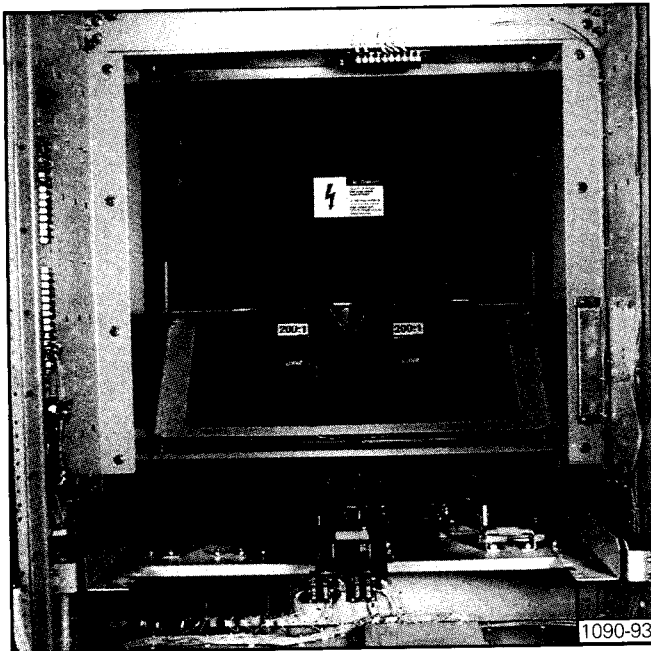
Connecting CPT fuses to the primary circuit is accomplished by racking the rollout fuse truck from the DISCONNECT position to the CONNECT position. The key interlock sequence described must be followed in order to rack the rollout fuse truck. Refer to **Figure 32** for location of key interlocks. The operating sequence is as follows:

1. Open the switchgear front door, to allow access to the racking mechanism and interlocks inside the cell.
2. Close the front panel of the rollout fuse truck. The truck cannot be racked unless this panel is closed.
3. Note that the key interlock bolt must be withdrawn to allow operation of the racking mechanism. Rack the rollout fuse truck in a smooth continuous manner from the DISCONNECT to the CONNECT position. During racking, audible sound will be heard as the rollout fuse truck primary disconnect contacts separate from the cubicle disconnects. DO NOT STOP RACKING as this noise is normal.
4. Rotate the key interlock on the racking mechanism, extending the interlock bolt to make the racking mechanism inoperative.
5. Remove the racking mechanism interlock key (Key 2) and insert it in the Key 2 position in the position indicator interlock assembly.
6. Rotate Key 2 in the position indicator interlock assembly. This "traps" Key 2, and activates the position indicator interlock assembly.
7. Remove the Key 1 from the position indicator interlock assembly, and insert it in the key interlock associated with the molded case circuit breaker (Key 1).
8. Rotate Key 1 in the molded case key interlock. This "traps" this key, and allows the molded case circuit breaker to be closed.
9. Close the molded case circuit breaker.
10. Close the switchgear front door.

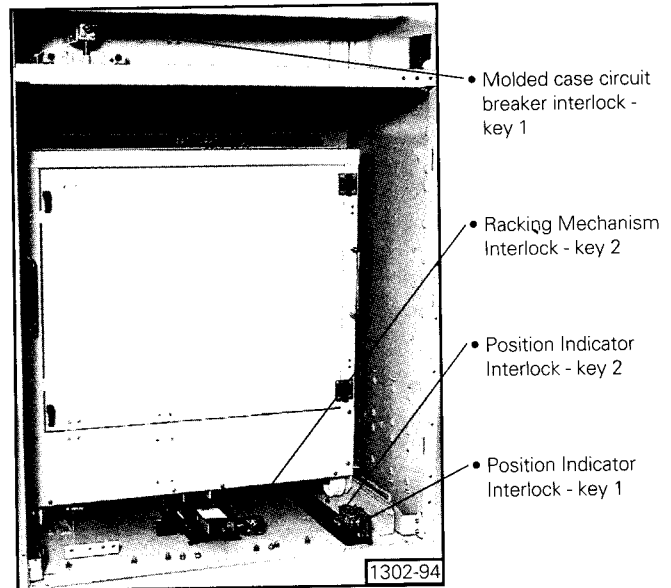
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**Figure 30.** Typical VT Fuse Rollout Truck in CONNECT position



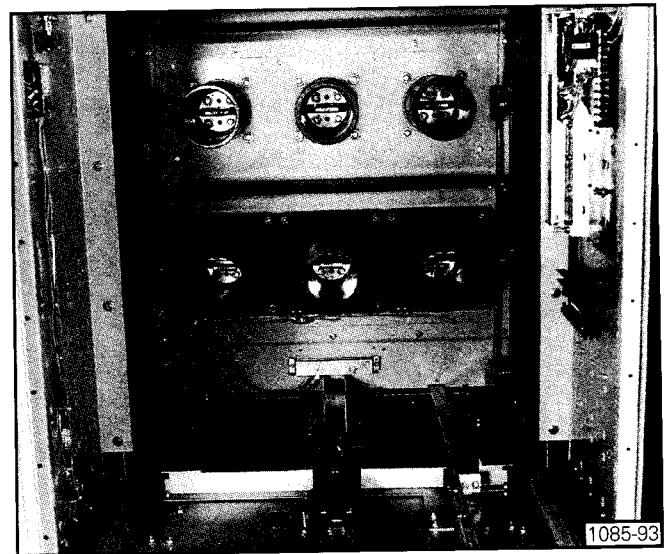
**Figure 31.** Rollout Fuse Truck Removed, Shutters Closed and VT Primary Terminals Grounded



**Figure 32.** Rollout CPT Fuse Truck Interlock Locations

## Current Transformers

The toroidal current transformers shown installed in a unit in **Figure 33** are the most commonly used type in metal-clad switchgear equipment. The circuit breaker primary bushings pass through the transformers when in the connected position. Types MD38 or MDD38 current transformers are of the toroidal type mounted in the circuit breaker compartment behind the shutter barrier. Up to two (standard or high accuracy) current transformers may be mounted around each primary insulator tube. Up to 4 current transformers per phase may be furnished.



**Figure 33.** Type MD38 CT's Installed on Lower Disconnect Bushings (CT Barrier Removed for Photo)

A zero sequence toroidal current transformer is furnished for ground sensing circuits. This transformer is mounted in the primary cable area at a convenient height for receiving purchaser's cables. Zero sequence current transformers may require that conduits for multiple bottom entrance cables be recessed.

# Circuit Breaker Position

## Cell Preparation

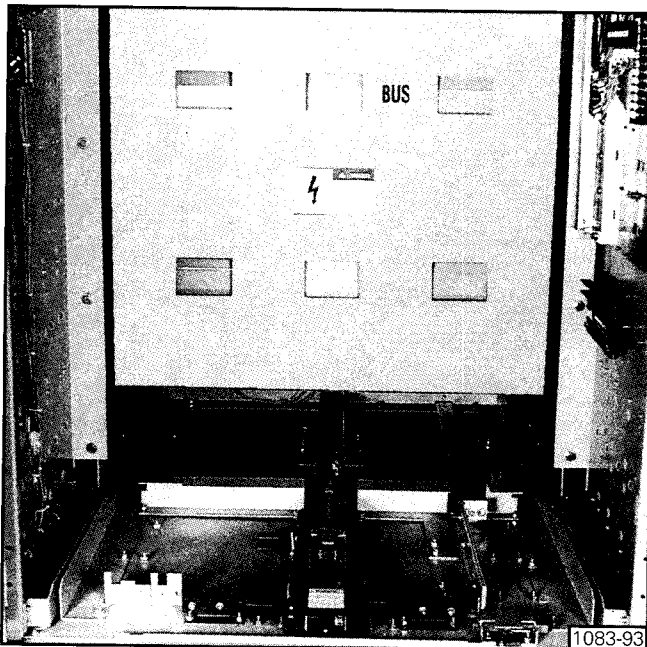
The cell contains the positioning, interlocking and operating devices described below and shown in **Figures 34** thru **36**. These devices must be checked for placement and freedom of operation.

## Circuit Breaker Racking Mechanism

The circuit breaker racking mechanism is centered below the circuit breaker. It functions in conjunction with the trip-free interlock on the circuit breaker, to hold the circuit breaker trip-free between positions. Three positions are provided: DISCONNECT, TEST, and CONNECT.

## Fuse Rollout Racking Mechanism

The fuse rollout racking mechanism is very similar to the circuit breaker racking mechanism, except that only DISCONNECT and CONNECT positions are provided.



**Figure 34.** Circuit Breaker Compartment

## Interference Blocking Plate

This plate is mounted vertically on the bottom of the cell to allow only the properly rated breaker into the designated cell, i.e., a 1200 ampere circuit breaker to enter a 1200 ampere cell and a 2000 ampere circuit breaker to enter a 2000 ampere cell, depending on the voltage, interrupting, and close and latch ratings. Normally the cubicle and circuit breaker rating plate combinations will be identical.

	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages. Can cause death, severe personal injury, and property damage.</b>
	Do not insert a circuit breaker into a cell intended for a circuit breaker with ratings above those of the circuit breaker being inserted.  Verify that circuit breakers and cubicles have appropriate ratings and properly located interference blocking plates and angles before attempting to insert a circuit breaker.

The interlock will allow a 2000 ampere circuit breaker to enter a 1200 ampere cell, provided the voltage, interrupting, and close and latch ratings are satisfactory.

The coordinating interference plate on the circuit breaker is shown in **Figure 35**.

## Secondary Disconnect

The secondary disconnect contains all the electrical control circuit connections for the circuit breaker. It mates with the secondary disconnect block on the circuit breaker. The circuit breaker contacts slide against the cell contact strips. The secondary contacts are automatically mated in the TEST and CONNECT positions.

## Mechanism Operated Cell Switch (MOC)

This switch is operated by a roller on the circuit breaker. The breaker engages the MOC auxiliary switch only in the CONNECT (operating) position unless an optional TEST position pickup is specified in the contract. If a TEST position pickup is included, the breaker will engage the auxiliary switch in both positions. (**Figure 36**). Up to 24 stages may be provided.

## Truck Operated Cell Switch (TOC)

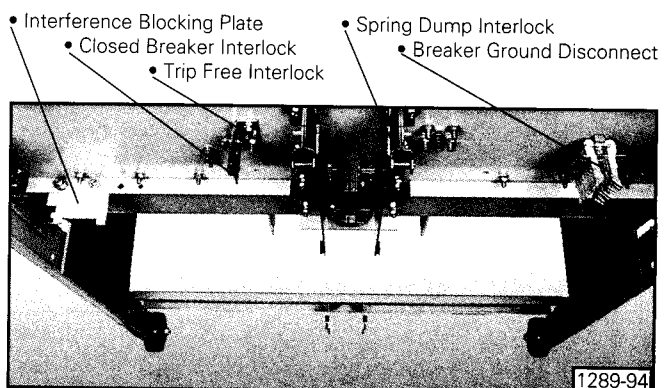
This switch is operated by an extension of the top plate at the right top corner of the circuit breaker. This switch is operated only as the circuit breaker is moved to or from the CONNECT position. (**Figure 36**). Up to 12 stages may be provided.

## Circuit Breaker Ground Connection

A sliding contact finger assembly for grounding the circuit breaker frame is mounted underneath the breaker truck frame (**Figure 35**). This assembly engages the ground bar mounted in the cell and maintains a solid ground contact with a continuous wipe through all positions. The contact is broken when the breaker passes the DISCONNECT position while being removed from the cell.

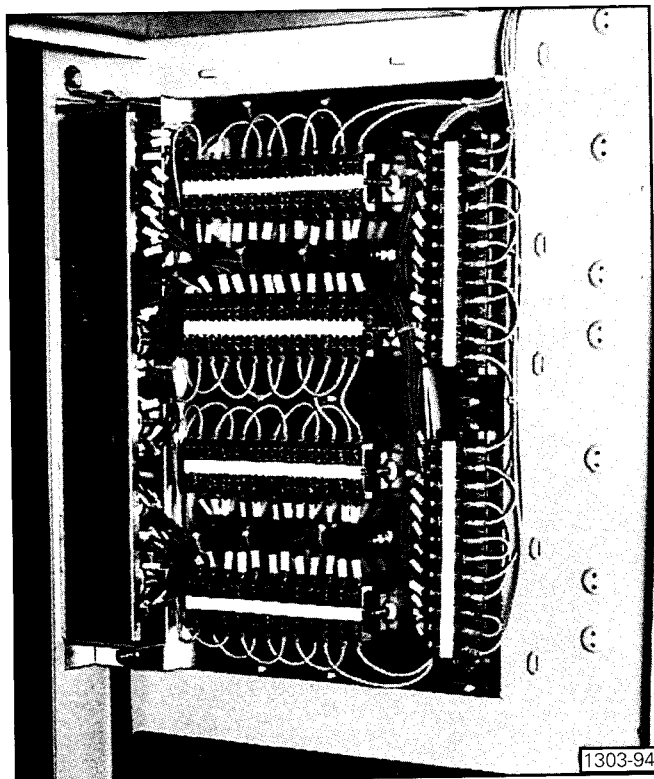
## Shutter Operation

Two shutter operating levers are driven down by the engagement of the wheels on the circuit breaker frame. This opens the shutters as the circuit breaker is moved into the CONNECT position and allows the shutters to close when the circuit breaker is withdrawn. The shutters are fully closed with the breaker in the TEST position.



**Figure 35.** Interlocks on Bottom of Circuit Breaker

# Circuit Breaker Position



**Figure 36.** MOC and TOC Switches

## Breaker Installation and Removal

Type 38-3AF Vacuum Circuit Breakers are shipped separately from the switchgear cubicles. Refer to instruction manual SG-3528 for information on installation, maintenance, and handling of these circuit breakers.

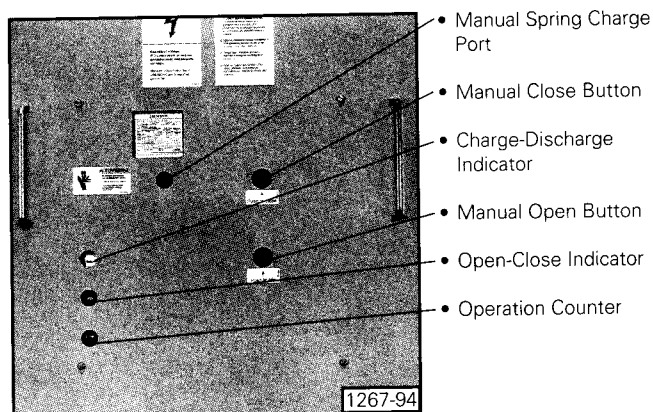
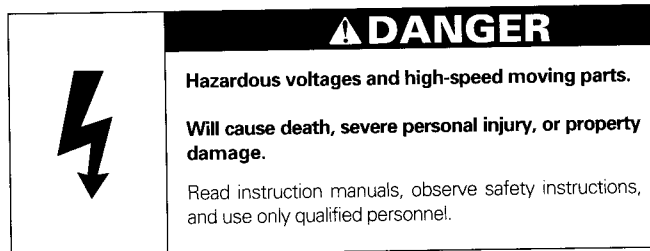
Circuit breakers are normally shipped with their primary contacts open and their springs discharged. However, it is critical to **first** verify the discharged condition of the spring-loaded mechanisms after de-energizing control power.

## De-Energizing Control Power to Circuit Breaker

Locate the control power disconnect device associated with the circuit breaker. This disconnect (typically, a pullout type fuse holder) is normally located on the secondary device panel inside the upper cell of the structure. Removal of the fuse holder de-energizes control power to the circuit breaker in the respective switchgear cell. In some switchgear assemblies, a molded case circuit breaker is used in lieu of the pull out type fuse holder. Opening this circuit breaker accomplishes the same result: control power is disconnected.

**Spring Discharge Check (Figure 37)** - Perform the Spring Discharge Check before removing the circuit breaker from the pallet or removing it from the switchgear.

The spring discharge check should be performed after de-energizing control power. This check assures that both the tripping and closing springs are fully discharged.



**Figure 37.** Front Panel Controls of 38-3AF Circuit Breaker

**NOTE:** Do not perform Spring Discharge Check if the circuit breaker is in the CONNECT position. Open circuit breaker and rack to the DISCONNECT position, and then perform Spring Discharge Check.

1. Press red Trip pushbutton.
2. Press black Close pushbutton.
3. Again press red Trip pushbutton.
4. Verify Spring Condition Indicator shows DISCHARGED.
5. Verify Main Contact Status Indicator shows OPEN.

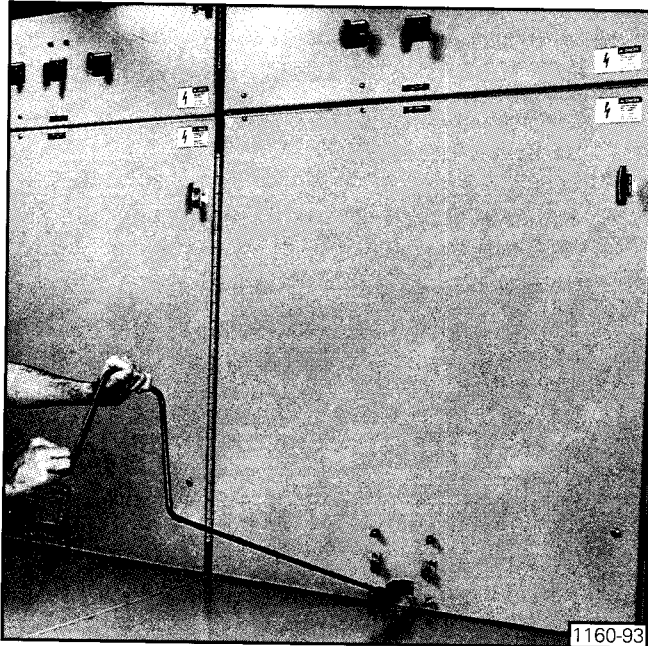
## Removal from Cell in Indoor (if not on raised pad) and Shelter-Clad Outdoor Switchgear

After performing the Spring Discharge Check (with control power de-energized), remove the circuit breaker from its switchgear cubicle.

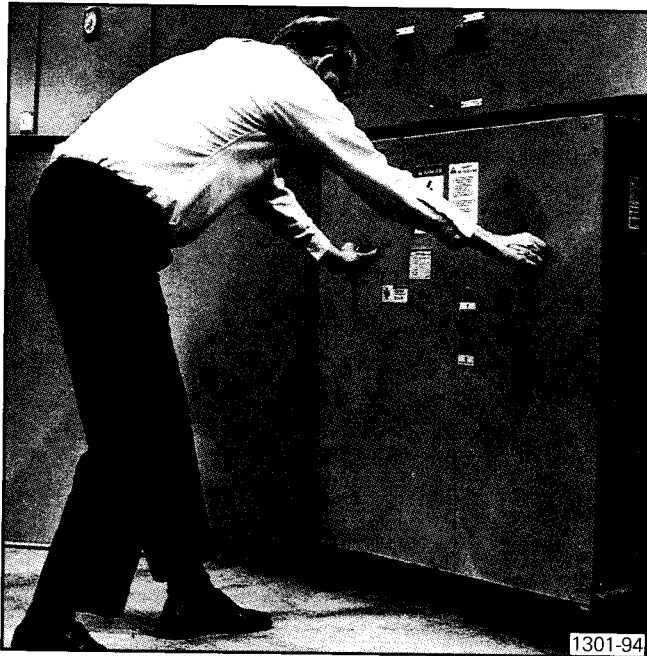
1. Insert the racking crank on the racking screw on the front of the breaker cell, and push in (see "Racking Crank Engagement"). This action operates the racking interlock latch. **Figure 38** shows racking of a circuit breaker.
2. Rotate the racking crank **counterclockwise** until the breaker is in the DISCONNECT position.
3. Move the breaker release latch (on the floor of the cell near the right side of the circuit breaker) to the left and pull the circuit breaker out from the DISCONNECT position. The breaker can now be removed from cubicle.
4. The circuit breaker is now free to be rolled out on the floor using the handles as shown in **Figure 39**. The wheels of the circuit breaker are at floor level (unless the switchgear is installed on a raised pad), and one person can easily handle the unit.



# Circuit Breaker Position



**Figure 38.** Racking of Circuit Breaker

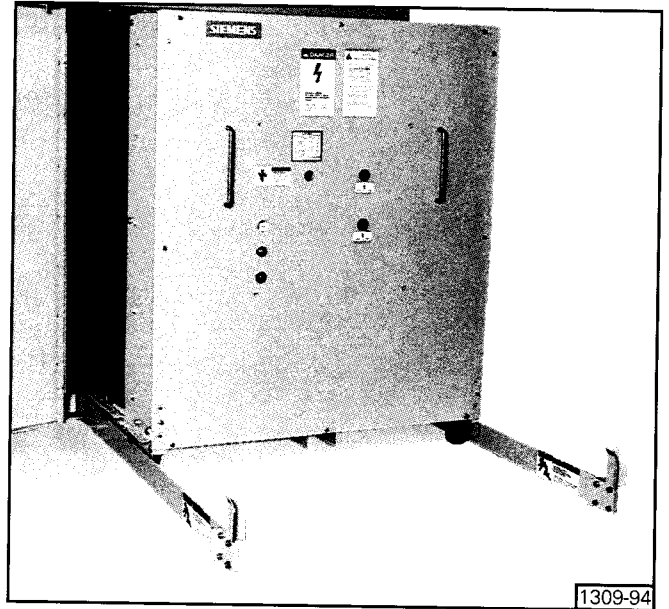


**Figure 39.** Removal of Circuit Breaker

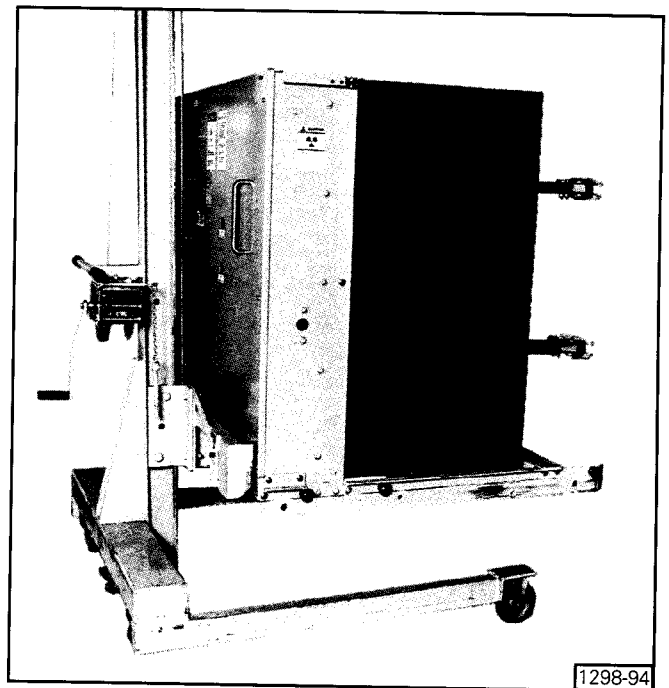
## **Removal from Cell in Outdoor Non-Walk-In Enclosures, or for Indoor Switchgear Installed on a Raised Pad**

Removal of the breaker from a non-walk-in outdoor switchgear assembly is similar to removal of a breaker at floor level, with several additional steps.

**Figure 40** shows one of the two breaker extension rails being inserted into the fixed rails within the breaker cell. The rails engage locking pins in the fixed rails to secure them in position.



**Figure 40.** Use of Extension Rails for Removal of Circuit Breaker not at Floor Level




**Figure 41.** Lift Truck with Circuit Breaker



# Circuit Breaker Position

The procedure for removal of a circuit breaker not located at floor level is:


1. Insert the two extension rails into the fixed rails. Be sure the extension rails are properly secured in place. (This can be done at Step 4 if preferred.)
2. Insert the racking crank on the racking screw on the front of the breaker cell, and push in (see "Racking Crank Engagement Procedure"). This action operates the racking interlock latch.
3. Rotate the racking crank **counterclockwise** until the breaker is in the DISCONNECT position.
4. If you have not yet installed the extension rails, do so now.

	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>
	<b>Heavy Weight.</b>
	<b>Can cause death, serious injury, or property damage.</b>

Always use extension rails to remove or install circuit breaker in cells not installed at floor level.

5. Move the breaker release latch to the left and pull the circuit breaker out from the DISCONNECT position. The breaker is now free to be rolled out on the two extension rails using the handles on the front of the circuit breaker.
6. Remove the breaker from the two extension rails using the approved Siemens breaker lift truck (see **Figure 41**), or a Siemens lifting sling (see **Figure 48**) and a suitable crane.
7. Lift the two extension rails and withdraw them from the switchgear.

Type 38-3AF circuit breakers weigh between 800 and 1000 pounds (364-455kg), depending upon their ratings. The breaker can be moved using a properly rated crane and lift sling. A lift sling can be attached to the breaker, and then used to hoist the circuit breaker vertically clear of the extension rails. When clear, remove the rails and lower the circuit breaker to the floor.

	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>
	<b>Heavy Weight.</b>
	<b>Can cause death, serious injury, or property damage.</b>

Never transport a circuit breaker on a lift truck with the circuit breaker in the raised position.

## Racking Crank Engagement Procedure

A crank for racking the drawout unit is provided as a standard accessory. Racking of a circuit breaker can be accomplished with the drawout compartment front door open or through a small opening (or window) in the front door, with the door closed. Racking of a rollout fuse truck is accomplished with the compartment front door open.

The racking crank consists of an offset handle end with a custom socket assembly welded to the end. The socket end of the crank is designed to engage the shoulder of the racking mechanism shaft and remain engaged during racking by means of two spring plungers located 180 degrees from each other. The socket plungers operate in a manner similar to the retainers of an ordinary mechanic's socket wrench.

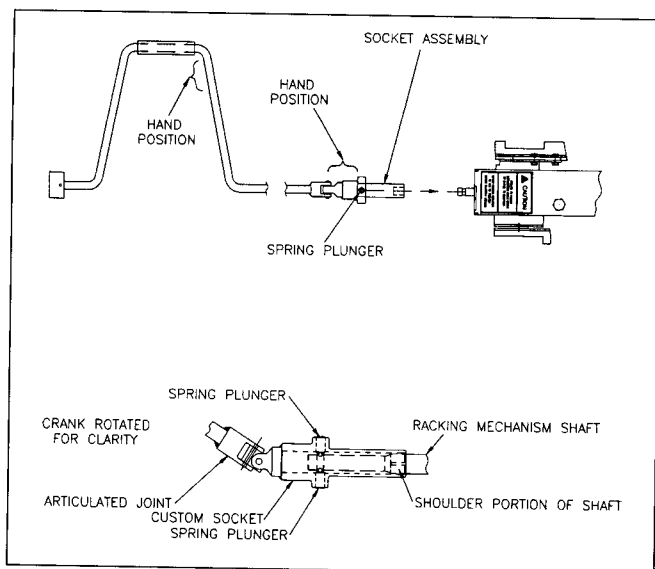
The portion of the racking mechanism shaft which is visible is cylindrical, and the shoulder of the racking mechanism shaft is hidden by a shroud until the engagement procedure starts. The square socket end of the crank will only engage the shoulder of the shaft if it is aligned properly.

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The suggested procedure to engage the racking mechanism is as follows:

1. The breaker must be open. (The racking shroud cannot be moved if the breaker is closed).
2. Hold the socket end of the crank in one hand and the crank handle in the other hand. Refer to **Figure 42**.
3. Place the socket over the end of the racking mechanism shaft. Align the socket with the shoulder on the racking mechanism shaft. **Note:** If the socket is not aligned, the socket will not be able to engage the shoulder of the racking mechanism shaft.
4. Once alignment is achieved, firmly push the crank and socket assembly toward the racking mechanism.
5. When properly engaged, the crank should remain connected to the racking mechanism, due to the socket plungers. If the crank does not remain in position, adjust the spring plungers clockwise one-half turn. This will increase the contact pressure of the spring plunger.
6. To remove the crank, simply pull the assembly off of the racking mechanism shaft.

**NOTE:** If the effort to rack the circuit breaker increases considerably during racking, or if turning of the racking crank requires excessive force, stop racking immediately. Do not try to "force" the racking crank to rotate, or parts of the circuit breaker or racking mechanism could be damaged. Determine the source of the problem and correct it before continuing with racking.



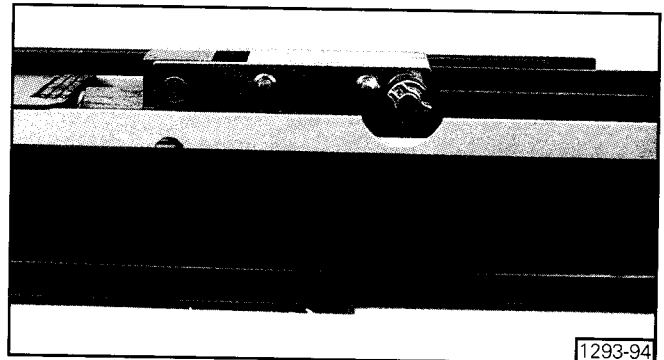
**Figure 42.** Racking Crank Engagement Procedure

## Breaker Racking

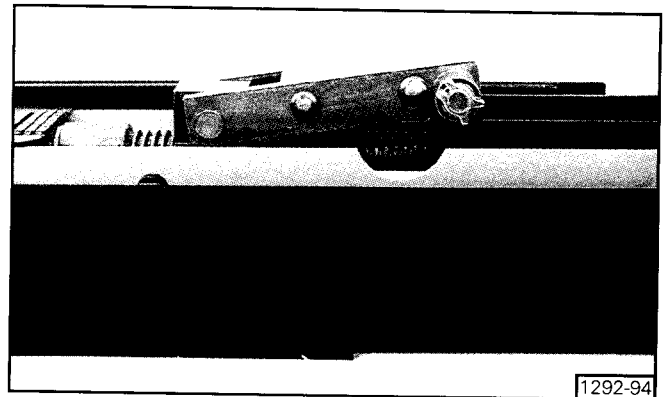
When inserting a circuit breaker into a cell, be sure that the racking block is in the lowered position as shown in **Figure 43**. In this position, the racking position indicator should show a green square with the letter "D" for DISCONNECT position. If the racking block is in the raised position, **Figure 44**, use the racking crank to move the racking block to the lowered position.

**Important:** Failure to follow instructions may result in damage to equipment.

Return racking mechanism to the DISCONNECT position before inserting circuit breaker.



**Figure 43.** Racking Mechanism with Racking Block Down



**Figure 44.** Racking Mechanism with Racking Block Up

# Circuit Breaker Position

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The circuit breaker racking method has been designed to be used with the instrument door either open or closed. Moving the breaker between the CONNECT and TEST or DISCONNECT positions with the door closed provides additional protection to the operator and is the recommended procedure.

## Racking into CONNECT Position

1. Check the position indicator shows "D" for DISCONNECT position.
2. Check that the circuit breaker is fully pushed into the cell to the DISCONNECT position.
3. Check that the circuit breaker is OPEN.
4. Secondary disconnects will automatically connect as the circuit breaker moves to the TEST and CONNECT position.
5. Close instrument door.
6. Insert racking crank through round opening at bottom of door and onto the racking screw (see "Racking Crank Engagement Procedure").
7. Push the racking crank forward to move the closed breaker racking interlock slide back which will allow the socket to engage the shoulder on the racking screw. Do not force slide as it is interlocked to prevent sliding forward when the circuit breaker is closed.
8. With constant pressure on the racking crank, rotate clockwise about 87 times until a positive stop is felt and the position indicated shows "C" for the CONNECT position. The indicator will show "T" when the circuit breaker is in TEST position.

## Racking to TEST or DISCONNECT Position

1. This procedure is essentially the same as racking to connected position procedure except the rotation is counterclockwise.
2. Check that the circuit breaker is open.
3. Close instrument door.
4. Insert racking crank (see "Racking Crank Engagement Procedure") and rotate **counterclockwise** about 87 times to a position stop and the position indicator indicates "D" for DISCONNECT position. The intermediate TEST position is indicated by "T".

## Contact Penetration

Make certain all electrical connections to both the line/load and bus disconnects are de-energized and locked out. This can be verified by blocking the shutters open and using a hot stick potential device to double-check that all disconnects are de-energized. Rack the breaker completely into the CONNECT position and then withdraw it from the cell. Check that the contact wipe is about 3/8" (10mm) on the cell primary disconnects, for all breaker ratings.

## Closed Breaker Racking Interlock

The closed breaker racking interlock is designed to prevent a breaker from being racked from TEST to CONNECT and vice-versa with the primary contacts closed. Only an open circuit breaker is to be moved between these positions. Refer to **Figure 45**.

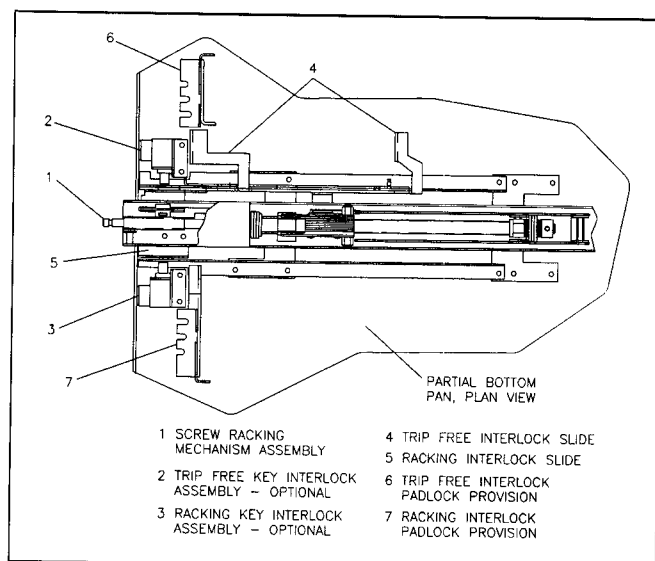
The trip free interlock slide has angle-shaped members (**Figure 45**, item 4) that project from the left side of the racking mechanism and engage an interlock member from the circuit breaker. The circuit breaker interlock extends down to prevent movement of the trip free interlock slide with the circuit breaker closed. When engaged, the racking screw is not accessible to the racking crank until the breaker has been opened.

**NOTE:** Racking handle must be removed, allowing the interlock slides to return to their initial position. The breaker may now be closed mechanically or electrically.

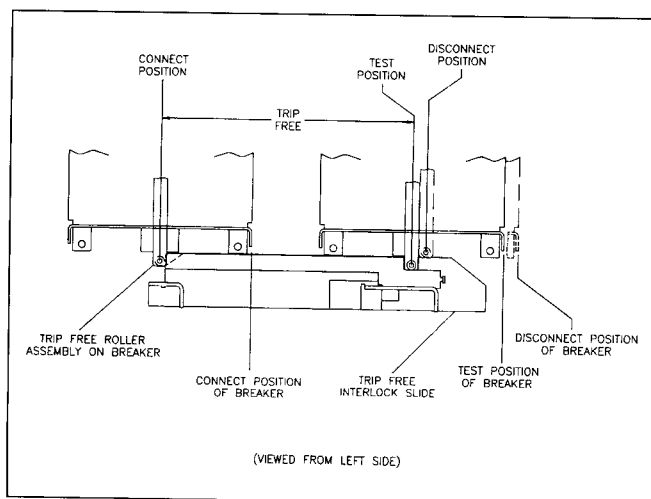
## Racking Access Interlock

The racking interlock slide (**Figure 45**, item 5) has provisions for three padlocks to prevent engagement of the racking crank to the racking screw. This allows locking of the circuit breaker in DISCONNECT, TEST, or CONNECT positions. Key interlocking (**Figure 45**, item 3) can be provided for racking sequence interlocking of dummy breakers, etc. When locked in the DISCONNECT position, the circuit breaker or dummy can be removed for servicing.

# Circuit Breaker Position



**Figure 45.** Racking Mechanism and Interlocks



**Figure 46.** Trip Free Interlock Positions

## Trip-Free Interlock

The trip-free interlock slide prevents a circuit breaker from being closed between the TEST and CONNECT positions by maintaining a mechanical and electrical trip-free condition (**Figure 46**).

As the breaker moves between the TEST and CONNECT positions, the trip-free roller engages the trip-free rail of the racking device. As the roller travels the trip-free rail between positions, the roller activates the trip linkage which holds the circuit breaker in a mechanically trip-free condition.

In order to lock the circuit breaker trip-free in either the TEST or CONNECT positions, the breaker must be opened and the trip-free interlock slide assembly pushed away to lift the trip-free roller on the breaker. This position permits the use of a key interlock (**Figure 45**, item 2) or padlocks (up to 3) to maintain the mechanism in trip-free position. The circuit breaker can be removed for servicing while interlocked in the trip-free position.

The interlock can be tested by racking the circuit breaker to a position between the TEST and CONNECT position with the closing springs charged. Activating the close function either electrically or manually will cause the springs to discharge and the interlock should prevent the circuit breaker from closing. This is also true when the breaker is in either the TEST or CONNECT positions and the trip-free interlock slide is pushed away and key interlocked or padlocked. The breaker will operate trip-free when closing is attempted.

## Spring Discharge Interlock

The closing spring discharge interlock prevents the insertion or removal of a circuit breaker with a charged mechanism. The spring dump roller rides up a rail releasing the closing springs while held trip-free. This discharges the closing springs without closing the breaker primary contacts. (**Figure 35**).

# Inspection and Testing

## Inspection and Testing

Before the equipment is energized, it must be thoroughly inspected and tested. Correct any deviations before energization.

### Inspection

Check the following points:

1. High voltage connections properly insulated.
2. Electrical disconnecting contacts, machine parts, shutter, etc., checked for lubrication and operation.
3. Blocking, supports and other temporary ties removed from breakers, instruments, relays, etc.
4. Proper fuses correctly placed.
5. Temporary wiring jumpers (used on the secondaries of current transformers tied to external devices, as shown on wiring diagrams) removed.
6. Ground connections properly made.
7. Incoming primary and secondary connections properly made and checked for shorts or undesired grounds.
8. All equipment which has been removed during assembly has been replaced.
9. Relays coordinated with other relays and protection devices on the system. Refer to relay instructions before making any adjustments. Consult the local utility before making any connections to the power supply.
10. Storage battery fully charged and provided with recharging facilities.
11. Interlocks performing properly.
12. Circuit breakers checked and prepared per instruction books.
13. All filters in vent areas are clean and free of shipping or construction material.

### Testing

1. A megger test is made on the high voltage circuit to be sure that all connections made in the field are properly insulated. A megger test is also advisable on the control circuit.
2. A dielectric test, if possible, should be made on the high voltage circuit for one minute at one of the following voltages corresponding to the rated volts of the equipment. **(Voltage transformers, control power transformers, surge arresters, and surge capacitors must be disconnected during this test).**

Rated Maximum Voltage kV (rms)	Power Frequency Withstand kV (rms)	Field Test Voltage	
		kV (rms)	kV (dc)
38	80	60	85

## ⚠ CAUTION



### Excessive test voltages.

### May result in damage to equipment.

Do not perform dielectric tests at test voltages exceeding the ratings of the tested equipment.

**Note:** The DC test voltage is given as a reference only for those using DC tests to verify the integrity of connected cable installations without disconnecting the cables from the switchgear. It represents values believed to be appropriate and approximately equivalent to the corresponding power frequency withstand test values specified for each voltage rating of switchgear. The presence of this column in no way implies any requirement for a DC withstand test on AC equipment or that a DC withstand test represents an acceptable alternative to AC withstand tests. When making DC tests, the voltage should be raised to the test value in discrete steps and held for a period of one minute.

In accordance with ANSI C37.20.2 Clause 5.5, Field Dielectric Tests are also recommended when new units are added to an existing installation, or after major field modifications. The equipment should be put in good condition prior to the field test. It is not expected that equipment shall be subjected to these tests after it has been stored for long periods of time or has accumulated a large amount of dust, moisture, or other contaminants without being first restored to good condition.

A dielectric test on secondary and control circuits should be made for one minute at 1125V AC or 1590 DC. The above voltages are in accordance with NEMA Standards. (NOTE: Certain control devices, such as motors and motor circuits, should be tested at 675V AC. Electronic devices should be tested at the voltages specified in the instruction manual for the electronic device).

3. With breaker in the TEST position make the following tests on each unit:
  - a. Trip and close the circuit breaker with the control switch.
  - b. Trip the breaker by passing sufficient current (or voltage, if applicable) through the coils of protective relays.
  - c. Trip and close the breaker from any remote control locations.
  - d. Operate auxiliary devices.
  - e. Test the phase sequence of polyphase high voltage circuits, particularly those used for motor starting.

# Operation

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## Placing Equipment into Service

To place equipment in service for the first time proceed as follows:

1. Check that all circuit breakers are open and all control circuits energized.
2. Connect primary incoming power source to equipment.  
**NOTE:** The primary incoming power source should be at the lowest voltage possible and gradually brought up to normal.
3. Check all instruments, relays, meters, etc., during this time.
4. Connect as small a load as possible and observe instruments.  
**NOTE:** Allow several minutes before connecting additional load.
5. Gradually connect more load to the equipment while observing instruments until the full load is connected.
6. Check for overheating of primary and secondary circuits and satisfactory operation of all instruments during the first week of operation.


# Maintenance

## Introduction and Maintenance Intervals

Periodic inspections and maintenance are essential to obtain safe and reliable operation of the switchgear. When GM38 switchgear is operated under "Usual Service Conditions", maintenance and lubrication is recommended at five year intervals. "Usual" and "Unusual" service conditions for Medium Voltage Metal-Clad Switchgear are defined in ANSI C37.20.2, sections 3 and 7.1. Generally, "usual service conditions" are defined as an environment in which the equipment is not exposed to excessive dust, acid fumes, damaging chemicals, salt air, rapid or frequent changes in temperature, vibration, high humidity, and extremes of temperature.

The definition of "usual service conditions" is subject to a variety of interpretations. Because of this, you are best served by adjusting maintenance and lubrication intervals based on your experience with the equipment in the actual service environment.


Regardless of the length of the maintenance and lubrication interval, Siemens recommends that circuit breakers should be inspected and exercised annually.

	<b>⚠ DANGER</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages and high-speed moving parts.</b>
	<b>Will cause death, personal injury, and property damage.</b>
Do not work on energized equipment. Always de-energize and ground the equipment before working on the equipment.	

For the safety of maintenance personnel as well as others who might be exposed to hazards associated with maintenance activities, the safety related work practices of NFPA 70E, parts II and III, should always be followed when working on electrical equipment. Maintenance personnel should be trained in the safety practices, procedures and requirements that pertain to their respective job assignments. This manual should be reviewed and retained in a location readily accessible for reference during maintenance of this equipment.

The user must establish a periodic maintenance program to ensure trouble-free and safe operation. The frequency of inspection, periodic cleaning, and preventive maintenance schedule will depend upon the operation conditions. NFPA Publication 70B, "Electrical Equipment Maintenance" may be used as a guide to establish such a program. **A preventive maintenance program is not intended to cover reconditioning or major repair, but should be designed to reveal, if possible, the need for such actions in time to prevent malfunctions during operation.**

Switchgear assemblies are enclosed on all sides and top with sheet metal. Access into the enclosure is provided by doors or removable covers. Although the bus and connections are insulated in metal-clad switchgear assemblies, it is a coordinated insulation system; insulation plus air or creep distance equals a given insulation level.

	<b>⚠ DANGER</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages.</b>
	<b>Will cause death, severe personal injury, and property damage.</b>
Do not contact energized bus. Before working on or near high voltage conductors within switchgear, be sure they are de-energized and properly grounded.	

See ANSI C37.20.2-6.2.3 which reads as follows:


This insulating covering is a requirement of metal-clad switchgear and is provided to minimize the possibility of communicating faults and to prevent development of bus faults that would result if foreign objects momentarily contacted bare bus. This insulating covering is usually only a part of the primary insulation system and in such cases the outer surface of this insulating covering will not be at ground potential. It should not be assumed, therefore, that personnel can contact this insulating covering with complete safety.

## Recommended Hand Tools

Type 38-3AF breakers use both standard American and metric fasteners. American fasteners are usually in most locations in the switchgear cubicles.

## Recommended Maintenance and Lubrication

Periodic maintenance and lubrication should include all the tasks shown in **Table 6**.

	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>
	<b>Failure to maintain the equipment will result in death, serious injury or product failure, and can prevent successful functioning of connected apparatus.</b>
	The instructions contained herein should be carefully reviewed, understood, and followed.
The maintenance tasks in <b>Table 6</b> must be performed regularly.	

# Maintenance

**Table 6. Maintenance Tasks**

1. Before any maintenance work is performed within primary compartments, make certain that the equipment is completely de-energized, tested, grounded, tagged or properly identified and released for work in an authorized manner.
2. Before starting work on the switchgear, the following should be completed on any equipment that will affect the area of the work:
  - A. Disable remote control and automatic transfer schemes.
  - B. De-energize all direct and back feed power and control sources, test and ground.
  - C. Disconnect all voltage and control power transformers.
  - D. Open all disconnects.
3. Include the following items in your inspection procedure:
  - A. Check general condition of switchgear installation.
  - B. Inspect switchgear interior for accumulation of dust, dirt or any foreign matter.
  - C. Clean air filters by washing in any mild household detergent.
  - D. Examine indicating lamps and replace as required.
  - E. Check terminal block contacts for loose connections.
  - F. Check instrument and control switches and inspect their contacts.
  - G. Check for proper condition of instrument transformers. Replace burned out fuses, if any. Check primary and secondary connections.
  - H. Remove dust from all de-energized insulators.
  - I. Inspect bus bars and connections for proper condition. If bus bars are overheating check for poor or loose connections or for overload.
  - J. Examine automatic shutters for proper operation.
  - K. Examine all safety interlocks.
  - L. Perform maintenance of circuit breakers as outlined on circuit breaker instruction manual.
  - M. Check space heaters and thermostat (if equipped) for proper operation.
  - N. Maintain other equipment per their respective instruction book requirements.
  - O. Lubricate mechanisms, contacts, and other moving components.
  - P. Replace, reassemble, re-insulate, return all items to proper operating conditions and remove grounds prior to energization

The list of tasks in **Table 6** does not represent an exhaustive survey of maintenance steps necessary to ensure safe operation of the equipment. Particular applications may require further procedures. Should further information be desired or should particular problems arise which are not covered sufficiently for the Purchaser's purposes, the matter should be referred to the local Siemens sales office.

## **⚠ DANGER**

**The use of unauthorized parts in the repair of the equipment, or tampering by unqualified personnel will result in dangerous conditions which will cause death, serious injury or equipment damage. Follow all safety instructions contained herein.**

### **Lubrication**

It is essential that switchgear be lubricated carefully and properly to guard against corrosion and to insure that all operating parts work freely.

A tube lubricant, for this purpose, is furnished by Siemens packed with accessories. Old grease should be removed annually and parts relubricated. Relubricate at more frequent intervals if required. Lubricant Part No. 15-171-370-001.

### **Moving Parts**

Lubricate shutter guide, bearings, rollout fuse truck moving parts, etc., with dry spray lubricant Siemens Part No. 15-171-270-001. **Note:** Use of lubricant not suitable for the application will make the mechanism very difficult to operate.

## **⚠ DANGER**



**Hazardous voltages.**

**Will cause death, personal injury, and property damage.**

Do not open shutters unless both line/load and bus are first de-energized.

### **Electrical contacts**

Lubricate stationary silver-surfaced contacts with electrical contact lubricant Part No. 15-171-370-002 prior to use, as follows:

1. Wipe contacts clean.
2. Apply lubricant to contact surfaces.
3. Wipe off excess lubricant, leaving a film. Avoid getting lubricant on insulation.


### **Cleaning Insulation**

Most of the plastics and synthetics used in insulation systems are attacked by solvents containing aromatics or halogenated hydrocarbons. The use of these may cause crazing and deformation of the material reducing the dielectric strength. ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL IS THE ONLY RECOMMENDED SOLVENT CLEANER.



# Maintenance

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	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>
	<b>Hazardous voltages.</b>
	<b>Can cause death, personal injury, and property damage.</b>

Use only recommended solvents for cleaning insulation materials.

## Corrosive Atmospheres

This switchgear is designed to give top performance when installed in normal indoor or outdoor locations. Where abnormal conditions, such as corrosive atmospheres, are encountered, special precautions must be taken to minimize their effect. Exposed metallic surfaces, non-insulated bus bars, disconnect switches, primary and secondary disconnecting contacts, wire ends, instrument terminals, etc., must all be protected. At each maintenance inspection, all of the old grease should be wiped off of the contacts and new lubricant applied to all sliding surfaces. Apply the material in a layer .03-.06" (1-2mm) thick. Use only Siemens Electrical Contact Lubricant, Part No. 15-171-370-002, available in 8 oz. (.23kg) tubes. Other exposed components can be protected with a coat of glyptol or other corrosion-resistant coating.

When old grease becomes dirty, wipe the part clean and apply new grease immediately.

## Relays and Instruments

To insure satisfactory operation of relays and instruments do not leave device covers off longer than necessary. When a cover has been broken, cover the device temporarily and replace broken glass as soon as possible.

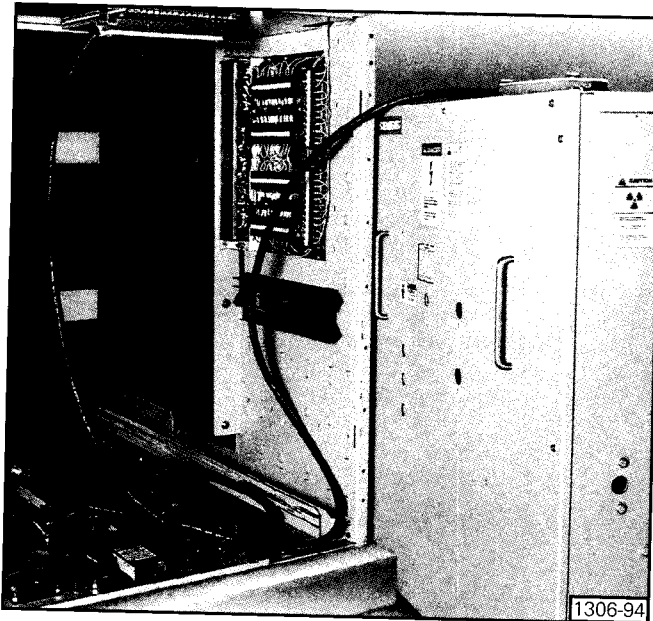
## Equipment Surfaces

Inspect the painted surfaces and touch up scratches as necessary. Use the paint furnished with the unit. This paint matches the unit and is thinned and ready for use in one pint (473mm<sup>3</sup>) spray cans. One can is normally furnished for each three units.

# Accessories

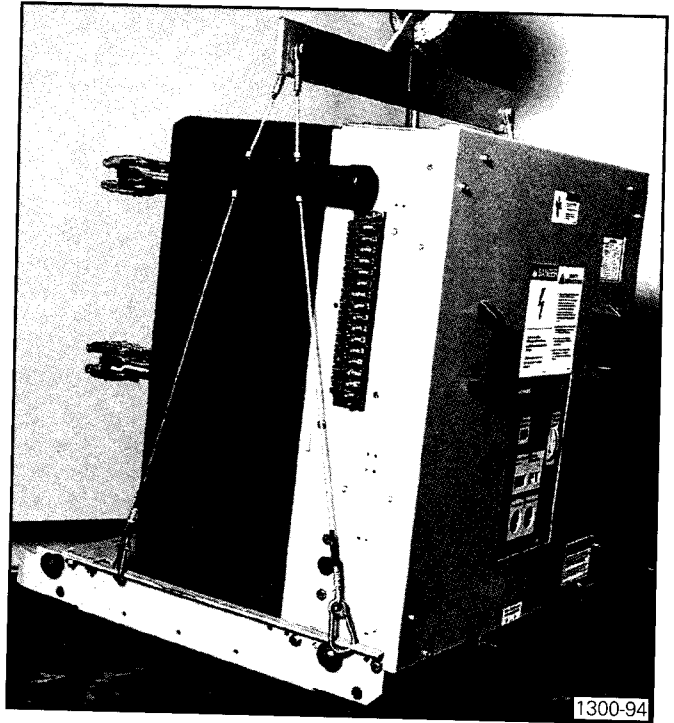
## Split Plug Jumper Test Device (Figure 47)

When specified, a split plug jumper test device is supplied. This device allows a circuit breaker to be operated from the control switch on the instrument panel while the circuit breaker is outside of and adjacent to its cell.



**Figure 47.** Split Plug Jumper

The split plug jumper consists of a length of flexible cable with terminal plugs on each end. These terminals can be connected to the secondary disconnects on the circuit breaker and in the cell. When connected, the circuit breaker can be opened or closed electrically from the instrument panel control switch.



**Figure 48.** Lift Sling in Use to Handle Circuit Breaker.

## Test Cabinet

When specified, a test cabinet is supplied. This device allows a circuit breaker to be operated from a control switch in a cabinet which is wall mounted by the purchaser. A length of flexible cable is connected to the cabinet and has a terminal plug on the other end which may be connected to the secondary disconnects on the circuit breaker. When connected, the circuit breaker can be opened or closed electrically from the control switch on the test cabinet which is connected to a suitable power supply by purchaser.

## Lift Truck

When specified, a lift truck is supplied (see **Figure 41**) for handling circuit breakers or fuse rollout trucks. The lift truck is useful whenever circuit breakers or fuse rollout trucks are installed above floor level. For Shelter-Clad installations, the lift truck is normally stored on the aisle area, as it does not conveniently pass through the aisle doorway.

## Lift Sling

If a lift truck is not provided, a lift sling is supplied as standard when circuit breakers or fuse rollout trucks are installed above floor level. The lift sling is suitable for use with any crane which has adequate capacity (1000 lbs. or 454 kg minimum).

**Figure 48** shows a lift sling being used to lift a circuit breaker.



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