Vacuum Circuit Breakers
Type FSV and MSV
Introduction

THIS EQUIPMENT CONTAINS HAZARDOUS VOLTAGES AND MECHANICAL PARTS WHICH MOVE AT HIGH SPEED AND MAY BE CONTROLLED REMOTELY. SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE CAN RESULT IF SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED. ONLY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL SHOULD WORK ON OR AROUND THIS EQUIPMENT AFTER BECOMING THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH ALL WARNINGS, SAFETY NOTICES, AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES CONTAINED HEREIN. THE SUCCESSFUL AND SAFE OPERATION OF THIS EQUIPMENT IS DEPENDENT UPON PROPER HANDLING, INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.

Qualified Person

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

(a) Is trained and authorized to energize, 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.

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Distinctive signal words (DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION) are used in this instruction book and on product labels to indicate degrees of hazard that may be encountered by the user. These signal words are defined below.

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General

Introduction

The MSV and FSV series of vacuum circuit breakers are precision built devices designed to function efficiently under normal operating conditions. They are designed and manufactured to operate within the ANSI C37 standards for "Indoor" oilless circuit breakers. Performance requirements of these standards are met or exceeded by these designs.

Specific Standards which apply include:

- C37,04  IEEE Standard Rating Structure
- C37,06  Preferred Ratings and Related Required Capabilities
- C37,09  IEEE Standard Test Procedures
- C37,010 IEEE Standard Application Guide

The successful performance and application of these vacuum breakers depends as much on proper installation and maintenance as it does on good design and careful manufacture.

The instructions included in this book are necessary for safe installation, maintenance and operation and are provided to aid you in obtaining longer and economical service from your Siemens circuit breakers. For proper installation and operation—resulting in better service and lower maintenance costs—this information should be distributed to your operators and engineers.

By carefully following these instructions, difficulties should be avoided. However, they are not intended to cover all details or 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.

Receiving:

Circuit breakers are normally shipped from the factory completely assembled, inspected, tested and packed. Immediately upon receipt of a breaker check each item with the shipping manifest and make an examination for evidence of any damage that may have occurred during shipment, removing packaging carefully with correct tools where necessary. If any shortage, damage or indication of rough handling is found, immediately call it to the attention of the local freight agent handling the shipment. Proper notation should be made by him on the freight bill. This prevents any controversy when claim is made and facilitates adjustment. Also, immediately file a damage claim with the transportation company and notify the nearest Siemens sales representative.

Note

Damage claims must be processed within the time period specified by the carrier. Siemens cannot be held responsible for shipping damage, either external or internal, if the inspection is not made and claim forwarded within the set time limit.
Circuit breakers are normally shipped from the factory completely assembled. Observe weight markings on the carton and ensure that capable handling equipment is used.

Remove packaging carefully with the correct tools. Check each item with the shipping manifest. If any shortage or damage is found, immediately call it to the attention of the local freight agent handling the shipment. Proper notation should be made by him on the freight bill. This prevents any controversy when claim is made and facilitates adjustment.

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**Figure 1 Circuit Breaker Handling Instructions**

A. When moving breaker to location with a fork lift, observe weight and lifting locations on the carton. Carefully remove carton and plastic cover.

B. When moving breaker to location with a crane, observe weight and sling lifting locations on the carton. Use a spreader to prevent frame distortion and/or damage to the barriers. Carefully remove carton and plastic cover.

C. Remove ramp pieces nailed to the back of the pallet.

D. Remove hold down bolt and angle located in the front and back of the breaker.

Place ramp pieces in front of the pallet in line with the breaker wheels and nail to pallet as shown. Slowly roll the breaker off the pallet.
Storage
The circuit breaker should be installed as soon as possible. If storage is necessary, ‘As Found’ tests are recommended prior to and after storage for comparison. For storage, the circuit breakers should be kept indoors in a clean dry protected location where they will not be exposed to such items as dirt, construction dust, corrosive atmospheres, mechanical abuse or rapid temperature variation.

Outdoor storage of circuit breakers is not recommended.
If breakers must be stored outdoors, they must be completely covered and protected from the elements. A heat source must be provided to prevent condensation and subsequent corrosion. Covering should allow for ventilation. Often 500 watts heat per breaker is used.

It is recommended that periodic inspection of the breakers be made during storage and if necessary procedures adjusted to keep the breakers in proper condition.

“As Found” Tests
When the equipment is received, perform and record “As Found” insulation tests using megger or Doble tests to give an initial value for future comparative indication of insulation change. Contact resistance tests can also be made using a ductor. This is recommended for all new circuit breakers especially if they are to be stored for extended periods, as they may absorb moisture and contaminants. This should also be done after storage and prior to placing breakers into service.

Changes in values between subsequent tests should be evaluated and corrective action taken where needed.

Since wide variations can occur in insulation values and contact resistance because of atmospheric conditions, contamination and type of test equipment, discrete values cannot be given. However, making and recording these tests on new equipment, and again at regular intervals, will give a comparative indication of insulation and/or contact resistance change. Maintaining a permanent record of these values for each circuit breaker should be part of the Maintenance Program.

a. Insulation resistance tests should be made to verify the insulation integrity. These can include megger or Doble tests. If possible, a high-potential test should be made for one minute at:

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<td>4.75 kV</td>
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<td>15.0 kV</td>
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NOTE:
Before testing the procedures and safety precautions indicated in High Potential Testing and Interrupter Vacuum Check on page 25 must be reviewed.

With the breaker open, check each phase across the open contacts by connecting from the upper to the lower primary disconnects. With the circuit breaker closed, check phase-to-phase and each phase-to-ground.

b. A dielectric test on secondary and control circuits should be made at 1125 volts AC for one minute.

c. If desired, contact resistance tests can be made using a ductor.

d. Make a permanent record of all tests performed.

Installation Checkout
The following agenda provides a convenient check list of activities to be performed while preparing the circuit breaker for use, and prior to insertion into the cubicle.

1. Carefully remove packaging. Note: Vacuum breakers are normally supplied with their primary contacts open. Press “TRIP” (Red), “close” (black) and again “TRIP” (Red) push buttons to confirm this is true. See Fig. 2a & 2b Front elevations.

2. Carefully note and check rating plate to ensure maximum voltage, continuous current, interruption rating, and control voltages are compatible with the system and the cubicle into which the breaker is to be inserted.

3. Remove breaker from the shipping skid following requirements shown pictorially in Figure 1.

4. Remove interphase and external barriers. Note the interphase barriers are dissimilar from the external barriers, and that this dissimilarity must be recognized when installing the barriers.

DANGER
Hazardous voltages and high speed mechanical parts will cause death or severe personal injury and property damage.

Read instruction manual, observe safety instructions and use to qualified personnel.

Prepare circuit breaker for insertion into its cubicle as follows:

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5. Perform a careful visual inspection noting any damage which may have occurred in shipment. Clean all dust, dirt and foreign materials accumulated in shipment.

6. Using procedures described in the maintenance section of this manual, carry out a vacuum check, POO.

7. Complete a manual spring charge, close and trip operation.

8. Reinstall all interphase and external barriers (see 4 above).

9. Check primary contact assemblies. Fingers should be fully engaged, spring loaded and arranged with symmetry about the axis of the primary stud.

10. De-energize cubicle control power, and install plug jumper between cubicle secondary disconnects and those of the breaker. Re-energize control power springs should charge. With the local control switch close and trip breaker.

11a. (Lever type racking only) Note that with the breaker closed, that the racking release handle, (Fig. 2a and 2b), cannot be raised. Open breaker by pressing trip button and note the racking lever may be freely raised.

11b. (Screw type racking only) Refer to the panel-mounted cautionary statement and safety instructions (reproduction below). Read and understand this information before inserting the circuit breaker into the cubicle.

### SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

**FOR CIRCUIT BREAKERS WITH SCREW RACKING**

1. This cubicle may be equipped with key type interlock. If so, the lock bolt must be in the withdrawn position and the circuit breaker open before attempting to change position or breaker trip.

2. Before attempting to rack, the following normal operating conditions must be verified: The drive must be fully racked out against stop and breaker is open with breaker into cubicle disconnected. When interlock plunger will swing a positive stop. Racking release handle and push breaker to test position where it will make a positive stop and will be automatically coupled to the drive mechanism.

3. Moving the breaker between the disconnect and test position will be accomplished by first raising the racking release handle and either releasing breaker from disconnect to test position or pulling breaker from the test to disconnect position.

4. It is not recommended that the breaker be screw racked from disconnect to test position only possible if the breaker’s racking release handle is raised. It this is done, breaker will not automatically stop in test position.

5. Clockwise crank rotation will move breaker from test to connected position. Counterclockwise rotation will move breaker from connected to test position. Upon reaching either connected or test position breaker will automatically stop and latch in place.

6. The breaker may be removed from the cubicle by raising the racking release handle and pulling the breaker from the disconnect position until it is fully withdrawn from the cubicle.

7. The key interlock, if specified is used to lock the breaker “trip-free” to lock the breaker trip-free, proceed as follows: With breaker in connected position, and lock bolt withdrawn, turn drive mechanism crank exactly four (4) turns in a counterclockwise direction, turn key on lock to extend lock bolt. Breaker is now locked in a trip-free condition.

8. To release interlock and return breaker to normal condition, turn to withdraw lock bolt, then turn crank in a clockwise direction until it stops.

9. Perform and record results of the “as found” tests. Compare with pre-storage “As Found” test values if stored.

10. De-energize control power and remove plug jumper.


### CAUTION

CIRCUIT BREAKER IS EQUIPPED WITH SCREW RACKING AND MAY INCLUDE A KEY TYPE INTERLOCK AS WELL. KNOW HOW THIS EQUIPMENT IS TO BE OPERATED BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO INSERT OR RACK CIRCUIT BREAKER. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE.

OBSERVE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS AND RESTRICT OPERATION TO QUALIFIED PERSONNEL ONLY.

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12. De-energize control power and remove plug jumper.


### DANGER

HAZARDOUS VOLTAGES ASSOCIATED WITH THE APPLICATION OF THIS BREAKER WILL CAUSE DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE.

Before proceeding with the initial circuit breaker insertion and racking to the bus, be certain the bus is de-energized.
15. On FSV circuit breakers examine aramid cords to ensure they are aligned over each of the guides (refer to page 37, Fig. 29 for location).

16. Insert breaker into its cubicle and rack to the “disconnect” position. Reenergize control power.

17. Advance the breaker to the “test” position and close breaker electrically. Try an opening operation. Observe that the breaker closes and opens.

18. During this racking exercise note the alignment of the stationary and movable secondary disconnects. Check also the alignment between the auxiliary switch bayonet on cubicle wall and operating yoke on breaker. See Fig. 2a and 2b or reference to the breaker operating yoke.

19. Move breaker to fully connected position on a de-energized bus. Close and trip breaker from main control position.

20. If a lock-out key interlock has been provided, place this interlock in the breaker “locked out” position, key removed, and perform a close operation. Check that the breaker has gone trip free. Open the interlock, “key held” position and repeat the closing trial. The breaker now should successfully close.

21. The breaker should now be ready for service.

**Circuit Breaker Elevations**

Typical front elevations and side elevations of the type MSV and FSV Vacuum Circuit Breakers are shown in figures 2a and 2b. The 5-MSV-250A circuit breaker has a front panel design about 4¾” higher than as shown for use with type ‘DG’ ground and test devices. The cubicle barrier is about 4¾” shorter for this design. The cubicle and breaker are not interchangeable without changing panels.
Figure 2a
MSV Breaker Front and Side Elevation
Figure 2b
FSV Breaker Front and Side Elevation
# Technical Data

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<td>Amps</td>
<td>Rated continuous current is the designated limit of current in RMS amperes at rated frequency which the breaker may be expected to carry without exceeding temperature limitations.</td>
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<td>Rated Max Volts kV</td>
<td>The highest RMS voltage above nominal system voltage for which the circuit breaker is designed, and is the upper limit for operation.</td>
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<td>Voltage Range Factor (K)</td>
<td>The ratio of rated maximum voltage to the lower limit of the range of operating voltage in which the required symmetrical and asymmetrical interrupting capabilities vary in inverse proportion to operating voltage.</td>
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<td>BIL kV</td>
<td>The rated full wave impulse withstand voltage. The crest value of a standard 1.2 x 50 impulse voltage wave which a new circuit breaker must be capable of withstanding without flashover or puncture during design tests.</td>
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<td>Rated Short Circuit kA</td>
<td>The symmetrical component of short-circuit current in RMS amperes which the breaker may be expected to interrupt.</td>
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<td>The maximum making current in which the circuit breaker may be expected to close and latch.</td>
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<td>The maximum permissible interval between energizing the trip circuit at rated control voltage and the interruption of the main circuit in all poles.</td>
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<td>Effective value of current required at nominal control voltage when applied to the serve the motor which stores energy in the closing springs.</td>
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<td>Specifically identifies an individual breaker and affords traceability to test records and manufacturing dates.</td>
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Figure 3
Rating Plate

Rating Summary

1. Breaker Type
2. Rated Maximum Voltage, kV
3. Continuous Current, AMP
4. Power System Frequency, Hz
5. Rated Short Circuit Interrupt Current, kA
6. Voltage Range Factor K
7. Interruption Time, Cycles 60 Hz
8. Rated Withstand test Voltage, Low Frequency, kV rms
9. Rated Withstand Test Voltage—Impulse kV crest
10. Closing of Latching Capability, kA

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Table 1
Rating Summary

58kA OPTIONAL
77kA OPTIONAL
Service Conditions

The following parameters define the usual service conditions under which the circuit breakers shall be considered suitable for operating at their standard ratings. Conditions of use beyond these limits must be given special consideration, consultation with the factory or reference to the IEEE Application Guide, ANSI C37.010:

- **Maximum Ambient Temperature**: 40°C (104°F)
- **Minimum Ambient Temperature**: −30°C (−22°F)
- **Altitude**: 1000 meters (3300 Feet)

Unusual service conditions which expose the equipment to dust, steam, salt spray, corrosive gases, dripping water, vibration, shocks, high and low temperatures, high altitudes and the like may require special construction. Refer concerns to the factory.

The values of insulation level compiled above are referred to sea level in accordance with ANSI C37.04-1979 consolidated standards. The higher the site altitude, the lower the insulating capacity of the air. The decrease in insulating capacity is neglected by standards for altitudes of up to 3,300 ft (1000m) above sea level. For higher altitudes, the values of low-frequency withstand voltage, impulse withstand voltage and rated continuous current must be corrected in accordance with Table 2.

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**NOTE:** Interpolated correction factors shall be used in determining factors for intermediate altitudes.

General Performance Data

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The type MSV and FSV vacuum circuit breakers are of drawout construction, and conform to the requirements of ANSI C37.20 for breakers to be applied in metal clad switchgear. The vacuum circuit breakers consist of a combination of two sub-assemblies. The "interrupter/operator" sub-assembly is a unitized assembly of the three vacuum interrupters, primary insulators, and operating mechanism. The second sub-assembly, the "vehicle" is the supporting draw-out structure sub-assembly into which is fitted the first sub-assembly. The drawout structure sub-assembly provides primary stud extensions, closed breaker racking interlocks, closing spring discharge feature, and other requirements needed to ensure safe and reliable use during racking and fully connected operations.

These two sub-assemblies will be separately described.

Interrupter/Operator Sub-Assembly

The interrupter/operator sub-assembly consists of the three poles, each with its vacuum interrupters and primary insulators, mounted on the common motor or hand charged spring stored energy operating mechanism housing. This sub-assembly is shown in figures 4 - 5.

Construction (Refer to Figures 4 - 8)

Each of the circuit breaker poles are fixed to the rear of the operating mechanism housing (60) by two cast-resin insulators (16). The insulators also connect to the upper (20) and lower (40) poles supports which in turn support the ends of the vacuum interrupter (30). Where required by dielectric requirements, assemblies are fitted with phase barriers (80).

The pole supports are aluminum castings on all circuit breaker ratings, except for 3000A continuous current where copper castings are used and on the 15-FSV-500, 1200A where sheet steel supports are used.

The support pole terminals, (27) and (24) each receive primary stud extensions.

The energy-storing mechanism and all the control and actuating devices are installed in the mechanism housing (60). The mechanism is of the spring charged stored energy type and is mechanically and electrically trip free.

![Typical Vacuum Tube and Operating Mechanism Subassembly](image)

![Mechanism Housing](image)
Interrupter/Operator
Description

Typical Vacuum Tube and Operating Mechanism Subassembly

The close-open indicator (55), closing spring charge indicator (58), and the operation counter (59) are fitted on the front of the mechanism housing (60).

The control connector (68) for the control and signalling cables is a 64 contact plug or 24 point terminal block applied internally to the drawout unit.

Breaker Pole (Figure 6)

The vacuum interrupter (30) is rigidly connected to the upper terminal angle (27.1) and pole support (20) by its terminal post (31.2). The lower part of the interrupter is stabilized against lateral forces by a centering ring (28.1) on the pole support (40). The external forces due to switching operations and the contact pressure are absorbed by the struts (28).

Current-Path Assembly (Figure 6)

The current-path assembly consists of the upper terminal angle, 27.1, and pole support, 20, the stationary contact, 31, and the moving contact, 36, which is connected with the lower terminal, 29, by terminal clamp, 29.2, and a flexible shunt, 29.1.

Vacuum Interrupter (Figure 7)

The moving contacts, (26), motion is aligned and stabilized by guide busing, (35). The metal bellows, (34), follows the travel of contact, (36), and seals the interrupter against the surrounding atmosphere.

The Arc-Quenching Principle

When the contacts separate, the current to be interrupted initiates an ionized metal vapor arc discharge and flows through this plasma until the next current zero. The arc is then extinguished and the conductive metal vapor condenses on the metal surfaces of the arcing chamber, (33), (Fig. 7) within a matter of microseconds. As a result, the dielectric strength in the increasing contact gap builds up very rapidly.

Below a limit of about 10,000 amperes, the arc is distributed across the contacts and the arc is easily interrupted. At currents larger than about 10,000 amperes the arcs own electromagnetic forces cause the arc to contract to essentially a point arc. If the contracted arc is allowed to remain stationary, it overheats the contacts at the arc roots to the point where the molten metal vapor does not allow the dielectric to rebuild during the current zero and large magnitude currents could not be interrupted.

Figure 5
15KV Vacuum Breaker
Figure 6  Section Through A Vacuum Breaker Pole

A  Terminal  27  Upper terminal
B  Fixing screw  27 1  Upper Terminal Angle
P  Evacuation nipple  28  Strut
16 1  Upper insulator  28 1  Centering ring
16 2  Lower insulator  29  Lower terminal
20  Upper pole support  29 1  Flexible strap

Figure 7  Section Through A Vacuum Interrupter

31  Stationary contact  34  Bellow
31 1  Washer  35  Guide
31 2  Stationary Contact Stem  36  Moving contact
32  Insulator  36 1  Movable contact stem
33  Arcing chamber  36 2  Mechanical coupling

Figure 8  Section Through the Vacuum Breakers

Typical for other ratings
a

Typical for 5-MSV-250
b
Interrupter/Operator Description

The contacts are designed so that a self-generated field causes the arc to travel around the contacts. This prevents local overheating while interrupting large magnitudes of short circuit current.

The ionized metal vapor arc discharge can only be maintained if a certain minimum current flows. A current that does not maintain this level may be extinguished abruptly prior to current zero. This chopping current must be kept to a minimum in order to prevent unduly high overvoltages building up when inductive circuits are switched. The use of a special contact material ensures that current chopping is limited to 4-5 Amp.

The rapid build-up of the dielectric strength in the break enables the arc to be safely extinguished even if contact separation occurs immediately prior to current zero.

The arc drawn in the vacuum breaker is not cooled. The metal vapor plasma is highly conductive and the resulting arc voltage only attains values between 20-200 V. For this reason and because of the short arcing times, the arc energy developed in the break is very small. This also accounts for the long electrical life expectancy of the vacuum interrupter.

Owing to the high vacuum (less than 10⁻⁵ bar) in the interrupter, contact clearances in the range of 6 to 20 mm (0.25 to 0.80 inches) are adequate to attain a high dielectric strength.

Switching Operation (Figure 6)

When a closing command is initiated the closing spring, which was previously charged by hand or by the motor, actuates the moving contact, (36), through breaker shaft, (63), lever, (63.7), insulated coupler, (48), and lever, (48.6).

The forces that occur when the action of the insulated coupler is converted into the vertical action of the moving contact are absorbed by guide link, (48.9), which pivots on support, (40), and eye bolt, (36.3).

During closing, the tripping spring and the contact pressure springs, (49), are charged and latched by pawl, (64.2).

The closing spring of motor-operated breaker is recharged immediately after closing.

In the closed state, the necessary contact pressure is maintained by the contact pressure spring and the atmospheric pressure. The contact pressure spring automatically compensates for arc erosion, which is very small.

When a tripping command is given, the energy stored in the tripping and contact pressure springs is released by pawl, (64.2). The opening sequence is similar to the closing sequence. The residual force of the tripping spring arrests the moving contact, (36) in the open position.

Operating Mechanism

The operating mechanism is comprised of the mechanical and electrical components required to:

- Charge the closing springs with sufficient potential energy to close the breaker and to store opening energy in the tripping and contact pressure springs.
- Mechanisms to release closing and tripping actions.
- Means of transmitting force and motion to each of three pole positions.
- Operate all these functions automatically thru electrical charging motor, cutout switches, antipumping relay, release solenoids, and auxiliary switches.
- Signal thru indicators the breaker status, (open, closed) and spring condition (charged or discharged) and number of operations.
Interrupter/Operator Description

![Diagram of Interrupter/Operator](image)

50.1 Opening for handcrank
50.2 Charging mechanism
50.3 Charging flange
50.3.1 Driver
50.4 Motor
53 Close button
53.1 Spring Release Coil
55.1 Linkage
55.2 Control lever
62 Closing spring
62.1 Charging shaft
62.2 Crank
62.3 Cam
62.5 Lever
62.5.1 Pawl roller
62.5.2 Latching Pawl
62.6 Drive lever
62.8 Trip free Coupling rod

**Figure 10**
Operating Mechanism, Details of Closing Spring Charging Components

**Construction**

The essential parts of the operating mechanism are shown in Fig. 9. Its actuation is described under "Operator Sequential Operation Diagram" on page 17.

**Indirect Releases** (Tripping Coils)

The shunt releases convert the electrical tripping pulse into mechanical energy, its function being to release the tripping spring. The undervoltage release may be manually actuated by a make or a break contact. In the make contact case, its coil is shorted out, built-in series resistors limiting the current.

**Motor Operating Mechanism**

The spring charging motor (50.9) is bolted to the charging mechanism (50.2) gear box installed in the mechanism housing. Neither the charging mechanism nor the motor require any serving.

**Auxiliary Switch**

The auxiliary switch is actuated by the breaker shaft.

**Mode of Operation**

The operating mechanism is of the stored-energy trip free type, i.e. the charging of the spring is not automatically followed by the contacts changing position, and the closing function may be overridden by a trip command at any time.

When the stored-energy mechanism has been charged, the instant of operation can be chosen as desired.

The mechanical energy for carrying out an “open-close-open” sequence for auto-reclosing duty is stored in the closing and tripping springs.

**Charging**

The details of the closing spring charging mechanism are shown in figures 9, 10, 11 and 12. The charging shaft, (62.1), is supported in the charging mechanism, (50.2), but is not coupled mechanically with the charging mechanism. Fitted to it are the crank, (62.2), at one end and the cam, (62.3), together with lever, (62.5), at the other.

When the charging mechanism is actuated by hand with a hand crank opening or by a motor, the flange, (50.4), the flange, 50.3, turns until the driver, (50.3.1), locates in the cutaway part of cam disc, (62.3), thus causing the shaft to follow. The crank, (62.2), charges the closing spring (62). When this has been fully charged the crank actuates the linkage, (55.1), via control lever, (55.2), for the “closing spring charged” indicator, (55), and actuates the limit switches, (50.4.1), for interrupting the motor supply. At the same time, the lever (62.5) at the other end of the charging shaft is securely locked by the latching pawl (62.5.2). When the closing spring is being charged, cam disc, (62.3), follows idly, i.e. it is brought into position for closing.
Interrupter/Operator

Description

53 Close button
54 Trip button
55 “Closing spring charged” indicator
58 Open Close indicator
59 Operation counter
61 Shock Absorber
62 Closing Spring
62.1 Charging Shaft
62.2 Crank
62.3 Cam
62.5 Lever
62.5.1 Pawl roller
62.5.2 Pawl
62.5.3 Pawl (Lobes are omitted when applied with screw type racking
63 Breaker Shaft
64 Tripping Spring
64.1 Tripping Spring
64.2 Pawl
64.3 Lever (Lobes are omitted when applied with screw type racking
64.3.1 Pawl roller

Figure 11
Operating Mechanism Open Position Closing Spring Charged and Latched

Closing (See Fig. 9, 10, 11 & 12)

If the breaker is to be closed locally, the closing spring is released by pressing CLOSE button, (53). In the case of remote control and the spring release coil S2SRC, (53.1), unlatches the closing spring.

As the closing spring discharges, the charging shaft, (62.1), is turned by crank, (62.2). The cam disc, (62.3), at the other end of the charging shaft actuates the drive lever, (62.6), with the result that the breaker shaft, (63), is turned by lever, (63.5), via the trip free coupling rod, (62.8). At the same time, the levers, (63.1), (63.5), and (63.7) fixed on the breaker shaft operate the three insulated couplers for the breaker poles.

Lever, (63.7), changes the open-close indicator over to open Lever, (63.5), charges the tripping spring, (64), during closing, and the breaker is latched in the closed position by lever, (64.3), with pawl roller, (64.3.1), and by pawl, (64.2). Lever, (63.1) actuates the auxiliary switch, through the linkage, (68.1).

The crank, (62.2), on the charging shaft moves the linkage, (55.1), by acting on the control lever, (55.2). The “Closing spring charged” indication is thus cancelled and, the limit switches, (50.4), switch in the control supply to cause the closing spring to recharge immediately.

Trip Free Operation

The trip free coupling rod, (62.8) permits the immediate decoupling of the drive lever (62.6) and breaker shaft, (63) to override closing action by trip command or by means of the racking interlocks.

The trip free coupling rod (62.8) forms a link between the drive lever (62.6) and breaker shaft (63). The rigidity of this link depends upon a spring return latch carried within the coupling rod. The latch is pivotable within the coupling rod and is normally positioned to ensure the couplers rigidity. Trip Free Coupling Link (62.8.2) and Trip Free Coupling lever (62.8.3) cause the spring return latch position to be dependent upon the breakers normal tripping components and the breaker’s racking interlock. Thus, whenever a trip command is applied or the breaker is not in the fully “connected” or test position, the trip free coupling rod is no longer rigid, effectively decoupling the drive lever and breaker shaft. Under these conditions the breaker main contacts can not be closed.
Opening

If the breaker is to be tripped locally, the tripping spring (64) is released by pressing the trip button (54). In the case of an electrical command being given, the shunt trip coil 52T (54.1), unlatches the tripping spring (64).

The tripping spring turns the breaker shaft (63), via lever (63.5), the sequence being similar to that for closing.

Rapid Auto-Reclosing

Since the closing spring is automatically recharged by the motor operating mechanism when the breaker has closed the operating mechanism is capable of an open-close-open duty cycle as required for rapid auto-reclosing.

Manual Operation

Electrically operated vacuum circuit breakers can be operated manually if the control supply should fail.

Manually Charging the Closing Spring (Fig. 13)

Insert the hand-crank (50), in hole (50.1), and turn it clockwise until the indicator (55), shows "CHARGED".

The hand-crank is coupled with the charging mechanism via an overrunning coupling thus, the operator is not exposed to any risk should the control supply recover during charging.
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Care must be taken to see that a continuously applied closing command does not cause the breaker to reclose after it has tripped out on a fault, otherwise it may sustain damage by the "pumping effect." Rapid auto-reclosing
The closing spring is recharged automatically as described above. Therefore, when the breaker is closed both its springs are charged (The closing spring charges the tripping spring during closing). As a result, the breaker is capable of an O-C-O-C operating cycle (dead time "T" = 0.3 s).

The dashed line shows the operating sequence initiated by impairing the closing command. * Optional Items

Figure 14 Operator Sequential Operation Diagram
**Interrupter/Operator Description**

**Elementary Diagram**

![Elementary Diagram](image)

**Figure 15.** Typical Elementary Diagram

**Manual Closing**
Press the close button, (53), the close-open indicator, (58), will then display "closed" and the closing spring condition indicator will now read "DISCHARGED".

**Manual Opening**
The tripping spring is charged during closing.
To open the breaker, press the trip button, (54), and "OPEN" will be displayed by indicator, (58)

**Indirect Releases (Dual Trip and Undervoltage)**
The indirect release provides for the conversion of modest control signals into powerful mechanical energy impulses. It is primarily used to trip high voltage circuit breakers while functioning as a secondary (dual trip) release or undervoltage release device.
These releases are mechanical energy storage devices. Their internal springs are charged as a consequence of the breaker’s mechanism operating, and are released upon application or removal of applicable control voltages.
Refer to Figures 16, 16a, 16b, & 16c
Secondary Release
Shunt releases (two trip coils) are used for the automatic or manual tripping of the circuit breaker by suitable protective relays or manual control devices when more than one is required. They are generally intended for connection to a separate auxiliary supply (DC or AC).

Undervoltage Release
The undervoltage release is used for continuous monitoring of the tripping supply voltage. If this supply voltage falls excessively, the undervoltage release will provide for automatic tripping of the breaker.

The undervoltage device may be used for manual or relay tripping by employing a contact in series with undervoltage device holding coil. Relay tripping may also be achieved by employing a normally open contact in parallel with the holding coil. A resistor must be provided to limit current when the normally open contact is closed.

Secondary and undervoltage releases are available for all standard ANSI Control Voltages.

Construction and Mode of Operation
The release consists of a spring power storing mechanism, a latching device, and an electromagnet. These elements are accommodated side by side in a housing, (16-3) with a detachable cover and three through holes, (16-5), for fastening screws. The supply leads for the trip coil are connected to a terminal block, (16-33). Two lugs, (16-17), are fitted beside the tripping pin, (16-15), for the attachment of a manual tripping lever.

The energy-storing mechanism consists of the striker pin, (16-23), and its operating spring, (16-31), which is mostly located inside the striker pin (16-23). When the spring is compressed, the striker pin is held by a latch, (16-25), whose sloping face is forced against the appropriately shaped striker pin, (16-23), by spring, (16-27). The other end of the latch, (16-25), is supported by a partly milled locking pin, (16-21), (16a) pivoted in the cover sheets of the magnet armature, (16-9). The armature, (16-9), is pivoted in front of the poles of the U-shaped magnet core, (16-1), and is pulled away from it by the tension spring, (16-11).

If the magnet coil of the shunt release 3AX1101 is energized by the tripping impulses or if the tripping pin, (16-15), is mechanically actuated, magnet armature, (16-9), is swung against the pole faces. When this happens, the latch, (16-25), loses its support and releases the striker pin, (16-23), which is forced out by the spring, (16-31).

On the undervoltage release 3AX1103 the latch, 25, is held by the locking pin, (16-21), as long as the armature, (16-9), is attracted, (Fig. 16b). If the circuit of the trip coil, (16-7), is interrupted, the armature, (16-9), drops off, thus causing the latch, (16-25), to lose its support and release the striker pin, (16-23).

Following every tripping operation the striker pin, (16-23), must be reset to its normal position by loading the spring, (16-31). This takes place automatically via the operating mechanism of the circuit breaker.

Since the striker pin of the undervoltage release 3AX1103 is latched only when the armature is attracted, this trip is fitted with a screw, (16-29) (see 16c), for locking the striker pin, (16-23), in the normal position for adjusting purposes or for carrying out trial operations during breaker servicing.
Figure 16b. Latch Detail (25)-Undervoltage Release Shown Charged

Position A: Locked
23 Striker pin
29 Screw

Position B: Unlocked (Operating Position)

Cancel The Lock For Undervoltage Release By Shifting Locking Screw (15-29) From A To B

Figure 16c. Undervoltage Blocking Feature

Figure 17. Capacitor Trip Device

Connection For Source Voltage
120 VAC

240 VAC
Capacitor Trip Device

The capacitor trip device is an auxiliary tripping option providing a short term means of storing adequate electrical energy to ensure breaker tripping.

This device is applied in breaker installations lacking independent auxiliary control power or station battery. In such installations, control power is usually derived from the primary source. In the event of a primary source fault, or disturbance with attendant depression of the primary source voltage, the capacitor trip device will provide short term tripping energy for breaker opening due to relay operation.

The capacitor trip converts 120 or 240 VAC control voltage to a DC full wave voltage which is used to charge a large capacitor to the peak of the converted wave, see below.
General

Thorough, periodic inspection is important to satisfactory operation. Inspection and maintenance frequency depends on installation, site, weather and atmospheric conditions, experience of operating personnel and special operation requirements. Because of this, a well-planned and effective maintenance program depends largely on experience and practice.

FAILURE TO PROPERLY MAINTAIN THE EQUIPMENT CAN RESULT IN SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY AND PRODUCT FAILURE. THE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN SHOULD BE CAREFULLY REVIEWED, UNDERSTOOD AND FOLLOWED. THE FOLLOWING MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES SHOULD BE PERFORMED REGULARLY.

- General visual inspection of de-energized circuit breaker
- Keep mechanism clean and adequately lubricated
- Keep insulation materials dry and clean.
- Keep connectors in place and properly adjusted
- Repair or replace any items functioning improperly.
- Check circuit breaker for smooth and correct operation before returning to service.

Once a year, a general visual inspection should be performed on de-energized breakers, and if necessary the exposed insulating parts wiped with a rag.

Where the application imposes dusty or other severe ambient condition and/or frequent switching operations the following inspection checks should be more frequently applied than for normal maintenance.

THESE INSTRUCTIONS DO NOT REPRESENT AN EXHAUSTIVE SURVEY OF MAINTENANCE STEPS NECESSARY TO ENSURE SAFE OPERATIONS 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 OFFICE.

THE USE OF UNAUTHORIZED PARTS IN THE REPAIR OF THE EQUIPMENT OR TAMPERING BY UNQUALIFIED PERSONNEL WILL RESULT IN DANGEROUS CONDITIONS WHICH CAN CAUSE SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY OR EQUIPMENT DAMAGE. FOLLOW ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

Inspection Check List

1. Check vacuum, procedure follows.
2. Check contact erosion, procedure follows.
3. Clean circuit breaker, especially post insulators and insulating couplers.
4. Lubricate all bearings and sliding surfaces, procedure and materials follow.
5. Check all terminal screws.
6. Check all screw connections and locking devices on mechanism parts.
7. Check all control cables and connections.

Hand Tools Recommended

The MSV and FSV breakers employ both English and Metric fasteners. Metric fasteners are confined to the circuit breaker subassembly. The supporting draw-out vehicle uses English sizes. The following tool list has been prepared primarily to identify the tool requirements.

General
- Screw Drivers, 0.032 x 1/4 and 0.055 x 7/16
- Pliers
- Light Hammer
- Drift Pin, 1/8, 3/16, 1/4
- Retaining Ring Plier, External Type Tip Diameter 0.040"
- Inspection Mirror
- Flashlight

Metric
- 7mm, 8mm, 9.5mm, 10mm, 11.0mm, 13mm, 17mm, 19mm, 24mm Socket and Open-End Wrench
- 2mm, 5mm, 6mm, 8mm, 10mm Hex Key
- Torque Wrench, 0-150Nm (0-100 lb ft)

English
- 3/16", 1/4 Hex Key
Interrupter/Operator Maintenance

Minimum Maintenance Schedule

Lubrication:
The operating mechanism should be oiled and lubricated at least every 10 years or 10,000* make break operations under 'usual' operating conditions as defined by A.N.S.I. per the instructions which follow.

Overhaul:
Before 30,000* operations the breaker should be maintained in accordance with the following recommendations and the following components replaced:

A) Vacuum Interrupters
B) Spring Release Coil, 52SRC
C) Shunt Trip Coil, 52T
D) Trip Free Drive Bar Mechanism

When these parts are changed, locking devices must also be removed and replaced. These include lock-washers, retaining rings, retaining clips, spring pins, cotter pins, etc.

1. Replace Vacuum Interrupter, instructions follow.
2. Spring Release Coil, 52SRC, and Shunt Trip Coil, 52T.
   - Remove two "push on" terminal connections.
   - Remove two M4 hex head screws and dismount solenoid drawing it towards you.
   - Install replacement solenoids with two M4 hex head screws and replace "push on" terminals.
3. Lubricate operating mechanism in accordance with instructions which follow.
4. When work is finished operate circuit breaker, close open, several times, and check that all screw connections are tight.

Lubrication of the Operating Mechanism

A DANGER
Hazardous voltages and high speed mechanical parts can cause death, personal injury and property damage.

Read instruction manual, work only on an electrically isolated breaker whose energy storage devices have been fully discharged. Limit work to fully qualified personnel.

WARNING
Hazardous voltages and high speed mechanical parts will cause death, personal injury and property damage.

Before starting any work, breaker should be isolated, short circuited and grounded. Control power should be disconnected and breaker closed and opened by hand until both springs have been discharged.

The main points to be lubricated with grease (bearings and sliding surfaces) are indicated in Fig. 18. All the points not marked (bearings, articulated joints and auxiliary switch) should be treated with light machine oil with rust inhibitor.

To relubricate the mechanism remove the cover. Lubricate all the approximate points starting at the top left and working through systematically. Parts that are not rigidly fixed (e.g. articulated joints) should be moved slightly to and fro to let the oil penetrate. Following this, operate the breaker several times to test it.

Articulated joints and bearings that cannot be dismantled should not be cleaned with a cleaning agent prior to being oiled.

Lubricating Materials:
Bearings and Sliding Surfaces
Beacon 325, Humble Oil and Refining Co., Or 15-337-131-001
Centoplex 24.DL, Klueber Lubrication Corp.
Grenier Industrial Park, Manchester, N.H. 03103

Pivots and Articulated Joints, Auxiliary Switches, etc.
Tectyl 910 Valvoline Oil Co., Division of Ashland Oil Inc.
Ashland Dr., Ashland, Ky. 41101

See Vehicle Lubrication Section for Additional Information

*Perform lubrication at 3,000 operations and overhaul at 10,000 operations for type 5-FSV-350 and 15-FSV-1000 circuit breakers.
The life expectancy of vacuum interrupters is a function of the number of interruptions and magnitude of current interrupted:

\[
\text{Life} = \text{Interruptions} \times \text{Current}
\]

They must also be replaced before 30,000* mechanical operations or when the contacts have been eroded beyond allowed limits. Vacuum tube replacement procedures are detailed in the following maintenance instructions.

The curves in figure 19 are offered as a guide to life expectancy.

*Perform lubrication at 3,000 operations and overhaul at 10,000 operations for type 5-FSV-350 and 15-FSV-1000 circuit breakers.

**Contact Erosion**

Contact erosion is checked by visually observing an “erosion mark” on the exposed movable contact stem of the interrupter, see Figure 20. Note the mark is a white dot.

This mark may be seen above the lower primary connection, and just above the terminal clamp which fastens the flexible connector to the movable stem of the vacuum tube.

The MSV and FSV breaker constructions will require a mechanics mirror and flash light to view the erosion mark.

The criteria of acceptance is that as long as the white erosion mark or any part of it can be seen with the breaker closed, contact wear is within permissible limits.

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**Rating Table**

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<td>Rated Short-Circuit Current, kA</td>
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<td>41</td>
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<td>Rated Continuous Current, A</td>
<td>1200</td>
<td>a b c d e f</td>
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Applicable Curve a Function of Breaker Rating
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Maintenance

100,000:
 tactile

100,000

Breaking Current (Amps)
a - 5-MSV-250
b - 5-FSV-350
c - 7-FSV-500
d - 15-FSV-500
e - 15-FSV-750
f - 15-FSV-1000

Figure 19
Typical Primary Interrupter Contact Life Curve

Interrupter Vacuum Check Mechanical
(Ref. figs. 21a, 21b, & 21c)
Before putting the breaker into service, or if an interrupter is suspected of leaking as a result of mechanical damage, check the vacuum either mechanically as described in this section or alternatively electrically using a high potential test set as described in the next section.

Open and isolate the breaker and detach the insulated coupler, 48, from lever, 48.6, Fig. 21a.
The atmospheric pressure will force the moving contact of a hermetically sealed interrupter into the "Closed" position, causing lever, 48.6, to move into the position shown in Fig. 21b.
A vacuum interrupter may be assumed to be intact if it shows the following characteristics:
An appreciable closing force has to be overcome when lever, 48.6, is moved to the "OPEN" position by hand, Fig. 21c. When the lever is released, it must automatically return to the "CLOSED" position with an audible sound as the contacts touch.

After checking the vacuum, reconnect the lever, 48.6, to the insulated coupler 48.

High Potential Testing and Electrical Interrupter Vacuum Check
High Potential tests are performed to affirm the breakers dielectric integrity and to establish by alternate means of checking the interrupters vacuum.
The primary insulation system of the circuit breaker may be checked by closing the breaker, and applying the voltages listed below between a primary conductor of each pole and ground.
Prior to applying the test voltage, each pole not under test shall be grounded. Apply test voltage for one minute. If no disruptive discharge occurs which permanently reduces the test voltage to zero, the primary insulation system is acceptable.

Interrupter vacuum may be checked by applying the test voltages listed below across each interrupter with the breaker

Figure 20
Contact Erosion Check
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Figure 21a Lower Pole Support With Insulated Coupler

Open. Test voltage should be raised gradually, and the contact gap must sustain the voltages listed below, appropriate for the breakers rating, for one minute. If it does not, the interrupter is faulty and must be replaced.

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<th>Breaker Max. KV</th>
<th>A.C. Potential</th>
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<td>5 kV</td>
<td>14 kV</td>
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Open. Test voltage should be raised gradually, and the contact gap must sustain the voltages listed below, appropriate for the breakers rating, for one minute. If it does not, the interrupter is faulty and must be replaced.

**DANGER**

High Potential Tests employ extremely hazardous voltages which will cause severe personal injury and death.

Follow safe procedure, exclude unnecessary personnel, barrier test vehicle and keep well away from breaker during test voltage application. After test, ground ends and middle of vacuum tube to remove static charge.

**CAUTION**

Vacuum Interrupters can emit X-Radiation causing personal injury.

Do not apply test voltages to the interrupters which exceed the values listed below. All personnel must remain a minimum of six feet away from interrupter under test.

**Vacuum Tube Replacement**

Replacement interrupters are furnished as a complete assembly. They have been completely tested and dielectrically and mechanically conditioned. The interrupters, when installed, do not require that they be operated no-load a set number of times or voltage tested to condition the contacts.

It is recommended that one interrupter be removed and replaced completely rather than removing two or more interrupters at a time. The following procedure in check list format describes the procedure for removing and replacing a vacuum interrupter. Components may be identified by reference to figure 6, 7, 8, 22 & 23.

1. **Removing The Interrupter**

   1.1 Before starting work, the circuit breaker should be isolated from all primary and control power sources and all stored energy discharged by tripping, closing, and tripping the breaker by hand. Discharge any static charge by grounding all and center metal sections of the vacuum interrupter. Carefully remove exterior and interphase barriers.
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![Fig. 21b Primary Contact Closed - Free Position](image)

**WARNING**
Hazardous voltages and high speed mechanical parts can cause death, personal injury and property damage.

Before starting any work, breaker should be isolated, short circuited and grounded. Control power should be disconnected and breaker closed and opened by hand until both springs have been discharged.

1.2 Loosen the lateral bolt(s) on terminal clamp. Refer to figure 23 and employ the illustrated procedure to loosen clamp hardware. (8mm hex allen and 17mm socket)

1.3 Withdraw pin, 48.5, from insulating coupler, 48, and levers, 48.6.

1.4 Remove coupling pin from the eye bolt, 36.3.

1.5 Free struts, 28, from the upper pole support, 20. Loosen the strut hardware on the lower support, 40, and swing the struts forward and downward. (17mm open end and 17mm socket)

NOTE: Some breakers may employ four struts. The additional struts should also be freed from the upper pole support, loosened at the lower pole support and swung the struts rearward and downward.

1.6 Loosen screws fastening the centering ring, 28.1. (10mm open end)

1.7 Remove bolt "B", lockwasher and large washer at stationary contact of the vacuum interrupter. (24mm socket) Carefully note location of conductive spacers between interrupter and pole support. If included.

1.8 Using a deep 24 mm socket loosen and remove hex capscrew fastening the upper pole support to the post insulator. Completely remove the upper pole support and set aside.

1.9 Grasp the vacuum interrupter and withdraw vertically. Assistance may be required to work the terminal clamp off the movable stem of the tube. FORCIBLE TWISTING EFFORT IS NOT ALLOWED. If the terminal clamp cannot be easily removed, STOP, check to be certain hardware is loose and the clamp is not bound.

2. Installing an Interrupter

NOTE

Replacement interrupter, 30, will be received from the factory with an eye bolt, 36.3, in place, adjusted and torqued to specific requirements. DO NOT ALTER THE ADAPTER SETTING.

2.1 Inspect all silver plated connection surfaces for cleanliness. Clean only with a cloth and solvent. Do not abrade.

2.2 Insert interrupter, 30, in the lower pole support, 40, with the evacuation nipple, P facing the mechanism housing. Slip terminal clamp, 29.2, into position on the movable stem.
Figure 22
Vacuum Tube Replacement Illustration
2.3 Restore any conductive spacers which may have been provided to span the space between tube and pole support. Locate the upper pole support and fasten “finger tight” using heavy flat washer, lockwasher and nut, B.

2.4 Fasten the upper pole support to the post insulator using finger pressure only using hex head bolt, lockwasher and flat washer.

2.5 Attach struts, 28, to the upper pole support, 20, replace hardware, but do not tighten at this time.

2.6 Couple levers, 48.6, and drive link, 48.9 to the eye bolt, 36.3, using the pin supplied. Apply retention clips. Appropriate pin is modestly chamfered, not to be confused with pin for the insulated coupler.

2.7 Elevate terminal clamp, 29.2, against the locking ring on the movable terminal of the vacuum tube, 36.1 and position the interrupter 30, so that its groove faces the connecting surface of flexible strap 29.1. Refer to Figure 23 and employ technique illustrated to fasten terminal clamp. Note opposing wrenches. Tighten the bolt(s) of the terminal clamp to a torque
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of (30 Ft. Lbs.) 40 Nm, taking care to see that the
terminal of the interrupter is not subjected to excessive bending movement.

NOTE:

Excessive bending movement exerted while fastening the
terminal clamp will damage the vacuum interrupter.

2.8 Align pole support, 20, correctly and tighten bolt fastening it to the post insulator. Fasten securely all bolts associated with struts. 28

2.9 Tighten interrupter fastening bolt 'B' on the upper pole support, 20, holding the interrupter firmly by its upper insulator, and operate levers, 48.6, by hand to see whether the movable contact moves freely. If any binding or lack of freedom is noted, loosen bolt 'B' and adjust the interrupter in pole support by turning and moving it slightly.

2.10 Press centering ring segments firmly against base of tube, and fasten securely. On some breaker a one-piece ring is used, and this is simply fastened in place.

2.11 Attach insulating coupler, 48, and lever, 48.6, together using pin 48.5. Apply retaining clips: Correct pin has ends which have been generously chamfered.

2.12 Open and close breaker several times, and then check to see that all bolted joints and devices are tight.

3 Checking the Contact Stroke

3.1 Open the circuit breaker.

3.2 Free insulating coupler, 48, by removing pin 48.5. The interrupter contacts must now close automatically as a consequence of atmospheric pressure.

3.3 Observe the terminal clamp, 29.2, thru the openings on each side of the lower pole support, 40. Using vernier calipers measure the distance from the bottom surface of the terminal clamp to the bottom edge of the cutout opening. Measure carefully, and record your result.

3.4 Connect the insulating coupler, 48, using pin, 48.5, and the retaining clips provided.

3.5 Repeat the measurement described in step 3.3 again with care to maximize accuracy, record your result.

3.6 Determine difference between the measurements made under steps 3.3 and 3.5. Your result should be:

Type 5-MSV-250 Breakers: 5 to 7mm (0.20 to 0.27 inches)
Type 7-FSV-500, 15-FSV-500, and 15-FSV-750 Breakers: 10 to 12mm (0.40 to 0.47 inches)
Type 5-FSV-350, 15-FSV-1000 and all 3000A breakers: 7.5 to 8.5mm (0.30 - 0.33 inches)

3.7 If you fail to achieve the listed results carefully repeat the entire procedure making certain of your measurements.

3.8 If, after confirming your measurements, and you find the stroke not in agreement with the values given above, an adjustment can be made by adjusting the eyebolt, 48.6.5.

- Excessive stroke is corrected by turning the eyebolt out.
- Insufficient stroke is corrected by turning the eyebolt in.

3.9 Loosen locking nut on eyebolt, on insulated coupler (48) and retain position of the eye. Make adjustments in one-half turn increments. After adjustment is completed, tighten eyebolt locking nut to 30 ± 4 lb. ft (40 ± 5Nm)

4 After eyebolt is tightened to proper torque, repeat all measurement procedures making certain they are in agreement with values indicated in 3.6

5 Complete all other maintenance procedures. Completely reassembled breaker should pass high potential test before it is ready for service.

Hydraulic Shock Absorber

The 3AF mechanism is equipped with hydraulic shock absorber and a stop bar that functions when the breaker opens. See item 61.8 Figure 11. The shock absorber should require no adjustment. However, at maintenance checks, the shock absorber should be examined for evidence of leaking. If evidence of fluid leakage is found, the shock absorber must be replaced to prevent damage to the vacuum interrupter bellows.
Vehicle Description

Vehicle Function and Operational Interlocks

Type MSV and FSV vacuum circuit breakers are comprised mainly of the interrupter/operator sub-assembly fitted to a vehicle. This interrupter/operator sub-assembly is an integral arrangement of operating mechanism, dielectric system, vacuum interrupters, and means of connecting the primary circuit. The vehicle supports the interrupter/operator sub-assembly, providing mobility and fully coordinated application in Siemens type “D” and “F” switchgear.

Successful coordinated application of the fully assembled MSV or FSV vacuum breaker is achieved thru precise fixture alignment, and important functional interlocking.

Alignment

Elements of the vehicle structure, which are assembled under fixture control and then are secured and pinned in place, include the following (no adjustments are required):

- Side channels which provide support to the interrupter/operator sub-assembly are fixed square (90°) to the wheel axle holes in the vehicle's base.
- The primary circuit conductors are fixed to appropriate elevation, phase spacing and alignment to the inside surface of the guide bar. The guide bar is set in the fixture firmly secured and ten pinned in place.
- Secondary disconnects are fixed and pinned in place.
- Shutter cam which raises and lowers protective primary bushing barriers, is fixed and securely bolted in place.
- Breaker grounding contacts are aligned and securely bolted in place.
- Closing spring discharge roller is located and secured.
- The hinged protective barrier is aligned, adjusted vertically and then pinned in place.

Thus, all those features which must align with elements of the switchgear “draw out” enclosure, are precisely set, firmly secured and pinned while the complete breaker is located in a rigid fixture.

Interlocks

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<td>Mechanical and electrical interlocks are provided as integral components of this equipment to ensure safe use. Interlocks must be in operation at all times. Read this instruction manual. Know and understand correct interlock function. Check interlock function prior to inserting breaker into switchgear cubicle.</td>
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Breaker Racking Interlock (Lever Type)

Reference: Figures 24a & 24b

The racking interlock functions to block movement of the circuit breaker from the connected or test positions whenever the breaker is closed, and to maintain the breaker's mechanism in a "trip free" state whenever the circuit breaker is "released".

- The breaker is closed whenever the primary circuit is completed through the vacuum interrupter contacts. This closed condition is caused by rotation of the breaker shaft, 63, to the position shown in figure 24b.
- The breaker is released (free to rack) when the plunger shown in figure 24a is elevated sufficiently to clear the slot in the cubicle rail.

Function of the closed breaker racking release is initiated by elevating the racking release handle. This action causes the interlock bell crank, 1, to attempt CCW rotation. If the breaker were closed, the bell crank will rotate incrementally causing the "push rod", 2, to rise thru the action of crank, 1, and link. 3. This action will be immediately blocked, because the push rods "mushroom" head will encounter a cam surface of lever 64.3 on the breaker shaft, 63, typically after 1 to 2mm (.040 to .080 inches) of motion. With motion blocked after this short movement, it is not possible to raise the plunger above the cubicle rail. Thus, The Breaker Can Not Be Released For Racking When The Primary Contacts Are Closed.

If the breaker's primary contacts were open, the cam surface of lever 64.3 on the breaker shaft, 63 will have rotated beyond the push rods "mushroom" head allowing the push rod to rise freely.
As the push rod rises, its "mushroom" headed appendage, within the breakers mechanism enclosure, causes the "interlock" levers to rotate, elevating the "trip free push rod and cam". This cam encounters the "trip latch lever", and after typically 8 to 12mm (0.3 to 0.5 inches) of motion forces the mechanism, thru the "trip latch lever", to the "trip free" state.

Continued full CCW rotation of the interlock bell crank causes the plunger to clear the cubicle rail allowing the "open trip free breaker" to be moved from the connected position.

The lower interlock bell crank is returned to the plunger engaged position, fully clockwise, by the action of double torsion springs at each end of the bell crank. It is stopped and maintained in the position which ensures full plunger engagement by a spring pin of sufficient length at the top of the plunger which straddles the guide bar and guiding channel.

The breaker may be pad locked in an "open trip-free" state. Provision has been made for looping a padlock through the "racking release handle" and a stationary cover mounted angle. The position of the racking release handle at the point of padlock hole alignment ensures the breaker is trip-free yet the plunger engages the rail-preventing breaker movement.

Breaker Racking Interlock (Screw Type)

Reference: Figures 24a & 24b

The racking interlock functions to maintain the breakers mechanism in a "trip free" state whenever the circuit breaker is "released".
• The breaker is closed whenever the primary circuit is completed through the vacuum interrupter contacts. This closed condition is caused by rotation of the breaker shaft, 63 to the position shown in figure 24b.

• The breaker is released (free to rack) when the plunger shown in figure 24a is elevated sufficiently to clear the slot in the cubicle rail.

Function of the closed breaker racking release is initiated by elevating the racking release handle. This action causes the interlock bell crank, 1, to rotate CCW. The bell crank will rotate causing the “push rod”, 2, to rise thru the action of crank, 1, and link, 3.

As the push rod rises, its “mushroom” headed appendage, within the breakers mechanism enclosure, causes the “interlock” levers to rotate, elevating the “trip free push rod and cam”. This cam encounters the “trip latch lever”, and after typically 8 to 12mm (0.3 to 0.5 inches) of motion forces the mechanism thru the “trip latch lever”, and coupled “trip latch” to an opened and “trip free” condition.

Continued full CCW rotation of the interlock bell crank causes the plunger to clear the cubicle rail allowing the “open trip free breaker” to be moved from the connected position.

The lower interlock bell crank is returned to the plunger engaged position, fully clockwise, by the action of double torsion springs at each end of the bell crank. It is stopped and maintained in the position which ensures full plunger engagement by a spring pin of sufficient length at the top of the plunger which straddles the guide bar and guiding channel.

The breaker may be pad locked in an “open trip-free” state. Provision has been made for looping a padlock through the “racking release handle” and a stationary cover mounted angle. The position of the racking release handle at the point of padlock hole alignment ensures the breaker is trip-free yet the plunger engages the rail preventing breaker movement.

Automatic Closing Spring Release

Reference Figures 24a, 25a and 24b

The automatic closing spring release feature is provided to ensure all spring energy has been discharged in the mechanism prior to the breakers removal from the cubicle. The opening springs are discharged prior to the breakers release for racking, and since automatic closing spring discharge occurs while the breakers trip free and its charging circuit is opened, we can be assured all spring energy has been released as the breaker exits the cubicle.

Reference to Figure 25b reveals the essential elements of this system. As the breaker exits the cubicle, the roller encounters an actuating angle in the floor of the cubicle. As the roller strikes the angle it must rise, and this change in elevation is amplified thru a lever and fulcrum arrangement located above the roller. Movement of the roller from a typical free height of 65mm (2.56 inches) to 74mm (2.91 inches) must produce approximately 20mm (0.75 inches) of vertical motion at the “spring dump tube”

Reference to Figure 24b shows the spring dump tube telescoping the trip free push rod, and thus, the spring dump tube is able to move against the mechanisms interlock levers independently of the trip free function. As the dump roller approaches the actuating angle the trip free rod will be elevated, holding the mechanism trip free. When the roller strikes the actuating angle, it overtakes the trip free push rod and moves beyond the trip free position. This action is allowed because the “mushroom” tip at the top of the trip push rod is not attached to this push rod, but simply “floats” above it, captured by the mechanisms interlocking levers.

The spring dump tube now more fully elevates the mechanisms trip push rod cam and closing spring release cam (each attached to the same push rod). The spring release cam contacts and displaces the close latch lever causing release of the closing springs into a trip free mechanism. Thus all spring energy is discharged as the breaker leaves the cubicle.

The spring dump roller must now overtravel the structural actuating angle, and not be allowed any further elevation. The spring dump push rod accommodates this overtravel by employing a number of collars and bellville washers. The upper most collar is fixed and provides a definite stop after approximately 22mm (0.88 inches) displacement. The additional motion of rollers and levers required to complete overtravel is allowed by compression of the bellville washers. The collar immediately above the bellville washers is fixed, and the one below free to slide.

Plunger Position Mechanical Interlock

In order to prevent the motor charging circuit from “making and breaking” as the breaker and cubicle secondaries make or break physical contact, an electrical switch is provided. This switch is mounted within the connection box, and is operated by a lever attached to a member on the interlock bell crank. The switch is adjusted to ensure the breakers charging circuit is made up before the racking plunger achieves full engagement. Typically, the plunger will be 51mm (2 inches) off the floor when this switch makes the circuit.
Figure 24b
Details of Closed Breaker Racking Interlock Internal to Mechanism Enclosure

*Note: Lobes on this lever are omitted when applied with Screw Type Racking.
Vehicle Description

Figure 25a
Details of Automatic Closing Spring Discharge System — Type MSV

*Note: Lobes on this lever are omitted when applied with Screw Type Racking.

Lever 64.3
Open Position

Spring Dump Tube

Upper Collar

Front

Typical 88

Fulcrum

Lever

Roller
Vehicle Description

Figure 25b
Details of Automatic Closing Spring Discharge System — Type FSV

Figure 26
1200, 2000, and 3000 Amp Continuous Current Interlock Orientation

* Note: Lobes on this lever are omitted when applied with Screw Type Racking.

Lever 64.3 Open Position

Spring Dump Tube

Upper Collar

Fulcrum

Lever
Roller

Side View

Rear View—FSV Breaker

Rear View—MSV Breaker

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Continuous Current Interlock
Reference Figure 26
The continuous current interlock functions to ensure breakers and cubicles of like continuous rating are applied, and that breakers with dissimilar continuous current ratings are excluded from cubicles of unlike current ratings.
Figure 26 provides detail necessary to determine continuous current ratings and appropriate interlock orientation.

Control Cable And Connection Box
The MSV and FSV type circuit breakers employ a plug-in cable which completes all standard circuit breaker electrical connections between the mechanism housing and the vehicles secondary disconnects. Figure 27 provides the detail of the cables wiring and a typical schematic diagram.
The wiring from this cable is terminated at a connection box which provides a convenient and versatile means of accommodating various control options and modes of common sourcing while maintaining a common breaker enclosure wiring diagram.
Devices which will be mounted in the connection box include:
- Plunger Position Mechanical Interlock Switch
- Terminal Blocks
- Capacitor Trip (Optional)

Figure 27
Control Cable Connection Detail
### Insulating Barriers

Reference Figure 28

Insulating barriers are required for use on type MSV and FSV circuit breakers.

Interphase (with cutout) and exterior barriers on type FSV circuit breakers are removed or inserted by sliding them in the vertical channels.

Interphase barriers on type MSV circuit breakers are removed or inserted by sliding them in the vertical channels. Exterior barriers are secured with the mounting posts inserted into the teardrop holes and slid down to hold in place. This may require a slight deflection of the barrier against the interrupter heat sink.

Type MSV and FSV breakers require a full compliment of two exterior and two interphase barriers. Refer to the parts guide for location of barriers.

#### Figure 28  Insulating Barrier—Type FSV

#### Front Hinged Panel, Type FSV

Reference Figure 29 The FSV breaker employs a hinged front panel which is spring loaded to seek a vertical position. Helical extension springs maintain tension in aramid fiber cords which are trained over guides to apply a horizontal pull on the front panel towards the rear of the breaker.

If the front panel fails to move easily and freely against the spring tension. DO NOT FORCE. STOP! Examine aramid cord to ensure it is aligned over each of two guides. Tensioned cords are applied symmetrically to each side of the front panel. Helical springs may be accessed by removing the front lower panel of the breaker.

#### Figure 29  Hinged Front Panel—Type FSV
Cubicle Interface Barrier For Type MSV & FSV Circuit Breakers

The type 5-MSV-250 circuit breaker to “D” cubicle interface requires a two piece metal barrier be mounted in the “D” cubicle, above and adjacent to the upper front of the breakers, to isolate the high voltage area above the breaker. (Figure 2a and 30). The hinged front panel, which provides this isolation for air magnetic breakers, cannot be used, due to the required configuration of the vacuum interrupter/operator and vehicle subassemblies to fit in the 26 inch wide, “D” cubicles. These barriers are automatically factory installed in all new cubicles designed for use with MSV breakers. Check with factory for special procedures for ground and test device usage in these modified “D” cubicles.

The replacement of Type MA-250 air magnetic circuit breakers with type 5-MSV-250 vacuum circuit breakers will require the mounting of two barriers in the existing “D” cubicles plus notching the internal “iris” barrier as indicated on replacement instructions. Type FSV new and replacement breakers do not require additional barriers or notching of the “F” cubicles.

The interface barrier on the “D” cubicle for MSV breakers and an interference barriers used across the “F” cubicle for FSV breakers are designed to prevent air magnetic breakers from being inserted into cubicles exclusively designed for vacuum breakers. If proper insulating barriers are installed across the top of “F” cubicles, either air magnetic or vacuum breakers could be properly used.

Figure 30
Cubicle Barrier for Type MSV Circuit Breaker
Vehicle Lubrication

Primary contacts (multi-fingered clusters) and secondary control contacts (strips and fingers) are to be wiped clean and a film of Siemens contact lubricant applied, 15-171-370-002.

Sliding surfaces such as shutter cam, rail plunger, etc. may be wiped clean and treated with “Molykote Penelube”, 15-171-270-002.

Nylon sliding and rotational bearings require no lubrication.

Pivots throughout the interlocking linkages should be treated with a light oil (SAE #10) which includes rust inhibitors.

See Interruptor/Operator Lubrication Section for Additional Information.
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