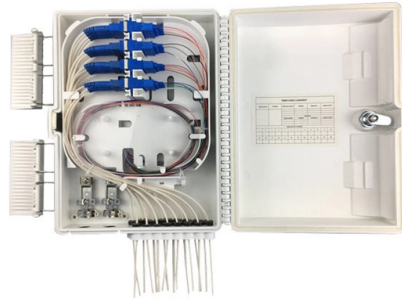


Busbar Connections of Low-Voltage Switchgear



Article Overview

Proper connection of a busbar to low-voltage switchgear requires correct sizing, secure mechanical fastening, and compliance with IEC 61439 standards to ensure safe and reliable power distribution.

Busbar Preparation and Design

Busbars serve as the backbone of low-voltage switchgear, distributing power from the main supply to branch circuits and equipment . They are typically made of copper or aluminum and can be rigid, flat, tubular, or laminated depending on current requirements and installation constraints . Before connection, ensure the busbar is machined, bent, and shaped correctly to avoid mechanical stress or weakening . Proper support and spacing are essential to maintain stability and prevent overheating during normal operation and short-circuit conditions .

Contact Area and Mechanical Connection

The contact area between the busbar and switchgear terminals is critical for heat dissipation and electrical continuity. For main busbar continuity links, the contact area should be at least five times the cross-section of the bar ($S_c > 5 \times S_b$), and for branch busbars, the same principle applies . Equipment connection plates should have contact over the entire surface to handle nominal current safely. Contact pressure is achieved using screws or bolts, with the number, size, and torque selected according to the current rating and busbar dimensions . Devices such as p...

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