

Design of Low-Voltage Switchgear Assembly



Article Overview

A low-voltage switchgear assembly should be designed according to IEC 61439 standards, ensuring proper layout, rated current handling, protection, and safety compliance.

Key Design Principles

Compliance with Standards: LV switchgear assemblies must comply with IEC 61439, which governs assemblies up to 1000 V AC or 1500 V DC. The standard requires verification of temperature rise limits, short-circuit withstand strength, dielectric properties, and protection against electric shock. All assemblies, regardless of verification method, must meet uniform safety and performance benchmarks .

Enclosure and Mechanical Design: The assembly consists of a case or enclosure that provides mechanical support and protection for internal components. The enclosure must accommodate incoming and outgoing terminals, busbars, and internal wiring, while ensuring accessibility for maintenance and safety .

Electrical Layout and Segmentation: LV switchgear typically includes main incomer, sub-incomers, and feeders. Components such as circuit breakers, switches, MCCBs, and isolators are arranged to optimize space, minimize fault propagation, and allow clear identification of phases. Proper busbar sizing and phase separation are critical to prevent overheating and ensure reliable operation

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