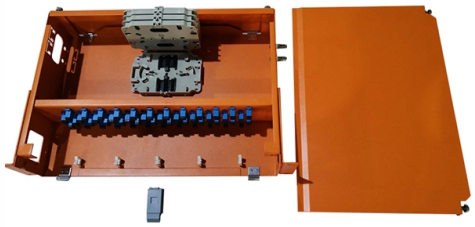
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Main wiring with bypass busbar



Overview

Connection: Connect the busbar to the power source and other components, following proper wiring practices.

Key Takeaways

A bypass busbar allows maintenance or fault isolation on the main bus without interrupting power supply to connected feeders or equipment.Overview

A bypass busbar is an auxiliary bus connected via a bypass branch to the main bus system in a substation or switchgear installation. It enables the transfer of load from the main bus to the bypass bus, allowing maintenance or replacement of circuit breakers, transformers, or bus sections without interrupting the supply to outgoing feeders or connected equipment .

How It Works
• In a main and transfer bus system, each bay or equipment is connected to the main bus through a circuit breaker and isolators, and to the transfer (bypass) bus through auxiliary isolators .

• Under normal operation, the main bus carries the load, and the bypass bus remains in standby with isolators open.

• To perform maintenance, the load is shifted to the bypass bus by closing bypass isolators and opening the respective main bus isolators and circuit breakers. This ensures continuity of supply while the main bus or its equipment is serviced .

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• In double bus with bypass isolators, the bypass bus can serve as a temporary path for power, allowing one bus section to be isolated without affecting the rest of the system .
Advantages
• Uninterrupted supply: Critical loads remain energized even during maintenance or faults on the main bus .

• Flexibility: Load can be transferred between main and bypass buses, or between two main buses in double bus arrangements, enhancing operational flexibility .

• Reduced downtime: Draw-out breakers and bypass bus arrangements minimize service interruptions for maintenance .

• Simplified maintenance: Branches or transformers can be serviced while the bypass bus carries the load, reducing operational risk .
Applications
• Medium- and high-voltage substations where continuity of supply is critical.

• Vital installations feeding electrically separate networks or requiring rapid sectionalizing during faults.

• Switchgear layouts that use main and transfer bus systems, double busbar schemes, or ring bus configurations with bypass branches .
Operational Considerations
• Instrument transformers and protection relays may need to be configured to operate correctly during bypass operation .

• Load on the bypass bus must not exceed its rated capacity.

• Switching procedures must be carefully followed to avoid temporary loss of protection or overloading . In summary, a bypass busbar provides a reliable method to maintain power supply while performing maintenance or isolating faults, making it a key feature in modern substation and switchgear design.

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