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## Acti9 products

The following table indicates the average dissipated power per pole in W for a current equal to the rating of the device and at the operating voltage.

Rating (A)	0.5	1	1.6	2	2.5	3	4	6	6.3	10	12.5	13	16	20	25	32	40	50	63	80	100	125
<b>Circuit breakers</b>																						
iC60	2.3	2.3		1.9		2.2	2.4	1.3		2		2	2.1	2.2	2.7	2.8	3.6	4	5.6			
iC60L-MA			0.7		0.2		0.6		0.9	1.1	1.5		1.6		0.8		2					
		2.3		1.9		2.2	2.4	2.7		1.8			2.5	3	3.1	3.5	3.6	4	5.6			
<b>RCCB</b>																						
iID 2P													0.8		0.9		2.6		2.6	3	5	
4P															0.7		1.9		1.5	2.6	4.3	
															2.7		3.6		5.6			
<b>Add-on residual current devices</b>																						
Vigi iC60 10 mA															3							
30 mA															1.4		1.1		2.3			
100 mA															1.1				2.3			
300 mA															1.3		0.9		2.3			
500 mA															1.1		0.9		2.3			
1000 mA																			2.3			
<b>Contactors</b>																						
iCT/iCT+ Power circuit													0.6	0.9	1.4		1.5		3.4		4	
<b>Impulse relays</b>																						
iTL/iTL+ Power circuit													0.6			1.5						
<b>Push-buttons</b>																						
iPB														0.6								
<b>Selector switches</b>																						
iSSW														0.8								
iCMA/iCMB/iCMC/ iCMD/iCMV									0.4													
<b>Switch-disconnectors</b>																						
iSW														0.8		1.3	1.1		1.8		3.4	4.2
iSW-NA 2P																	0.7		1.8		3	5
4P																	0.6		1.5		2.5	4.1
<b>Indicator lights</b>																						
iIL	0.3																					

Note: When the enclosure's thermal balance, consider the 4P devices load is only on 3 phases

**Impedance calculation:**

$$Z = P / I^2$$

Z: impedance in Ohms

P: dissipated power in Watts (table values)

I: rating in Amperes

**Voltage drop calculation:**

$$U = P / I$$

U: voltage drop in Volts

P: dissipated power in Watts (table values)

I: rating in Amperes

## Multi 9 products

The following table indicates the average dissipated power per pole in W for a current equal to the rating of the device and at the operating voltage.

Rating (A)	0.5	1	1.6	2	2.5	3	4	6	6.3	10	12.5	13	16	20	25	32	40	50	63	80	100	125
<b>Circuit breakers</b>																						
IDPN		2.5		1.9		2.1	2.6	2.7		2.7		3.3	3.2	4.7	4.7	4.6	5.8					
C60/C60H-DC	2.2	2.3		2.6		2.2	2.4	2.7		1.8		2.5	2.5	3	3.1	3.5	4.3	4.8	6.1			
C120										1.3			2.1	2.3	2.5	3.2	3.1	3.2	3	3.2	2	4.1
NG125										1.7			2.4	2.7	2.7	3.8	3.8	4.2	3.8	4.8	4.3	7.9
C60L-MA			2.4		2.5		2.4		3	2	2.5		2.6		3		4.6					
NG125L-MA							3		2	2	3.1		2.5		3.2		4		5.5	6		
<b>RCCB</b>																						
ID Type A/AC															1.4		3.6		4.4	7.2	18	28
ID Type B															1.2		2.9		7.2	12	18	28
<b>Contactors</b>																						
CT/CT+ Power circuit													0.9				1.4					
<b>Impulse relays</b>																						
TL/TL+ Power circuit													0.9			1.4						
<b>Push-buttons</b>																						
PB														0.6								
<b>Selector switches</b>																						
CM														0.8								
CMA/CMB/CMC/CMD/CMV									0.4													
<b>Switch-disconnectors</b>																						
I														0.8		1.3	1.1		1.8		3.4	4.2
I-NA																	3.2		3.2			
NG125NA																			5.5	6	7	9
<b>Indicator lights</b>																						
V		0.3																				

Note: When the enclosure's thermal balance, consider the 4P devices load is only on 3 phases

**Impedance calculation:**

$$Z = P / I^2$$

Z: impedance in Ohms

P: dissipated power in Watts (table values)

I: rating in Amperes

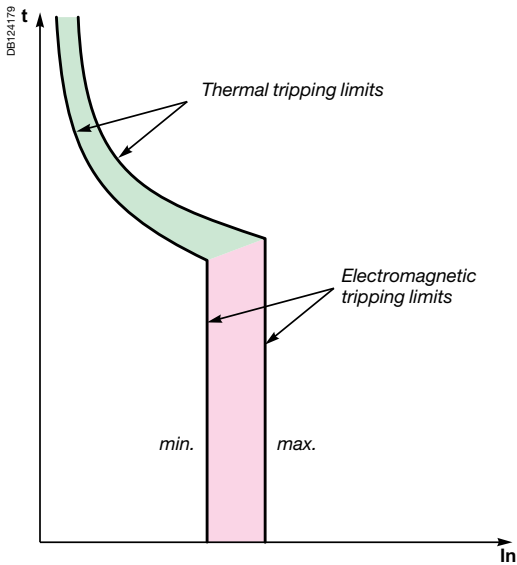
**Voltage drop calculation:**

$$U = P / I$$

U: voltage drop in Volts

P: dissipated power in Watts (table values)

I: rating in Amperes



The following curves show the total fault current breaking time, depending on its amperage. For example: based on the curve on page 11/5, an iC60 circuit breaker of curve C, 20 A rating, will interrupt a current of 100 A (5 times the rated current  $I_n$ ) in:

- 0.45 seconds at least
- 6 seconds at most.

The circuit breakers' tripping curves consist of two parts:

- tripping of overload protection (thermal tripping device): the higher the current, the shorter the tripping time
- tripping of short-circuit protection (magnetic tripping device): if the current exceeds the threshold of this protection device, the breaking time is less than 10 milliseconds.

For short-circuit currents exceeding 20 times the rated current, the time-current curves do not give a sufficiently precise representation. The breaking of high short-circuit currents is characterized by the current limiting curves, in peak current and in energy. The total breaking time can be estimated at 5 times the value of the ratio  $(I^2t)/(I)^2$ .

### Verification of the discrimination between two circuit breakers

By superimposing the curve of a circuit breaker on that of the circuit breaker installed upstream, one can check whether this combination will be discriminating in cases of overload (discrimination for all current values, up to the magnetic threshold of the upstream circuit breaker). This verification is useful when one of the two circuit breakers has adjustable thresholds; for fixed-threshold devices, this information is provided directly by the discrimination tables.

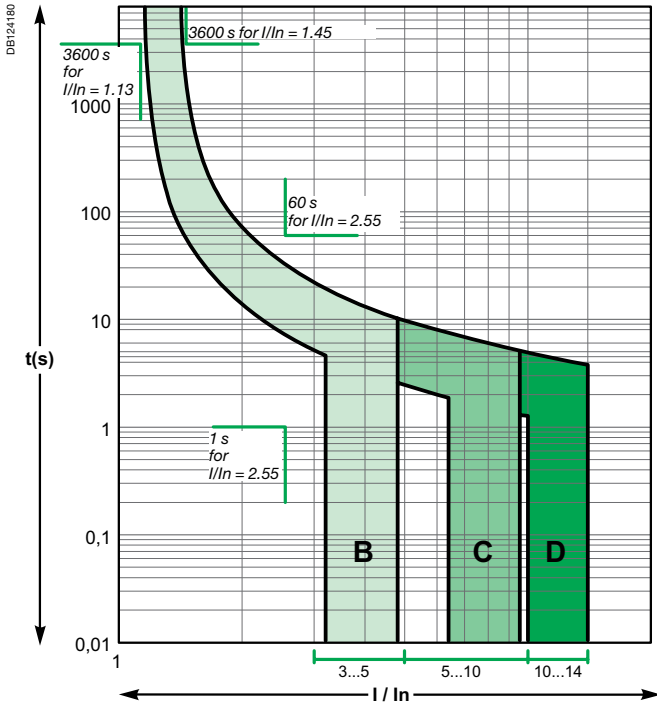
To check discrimination on short circuit, the energy characteristics of the two devices must be compared.

Alternative current 50/60 Hz

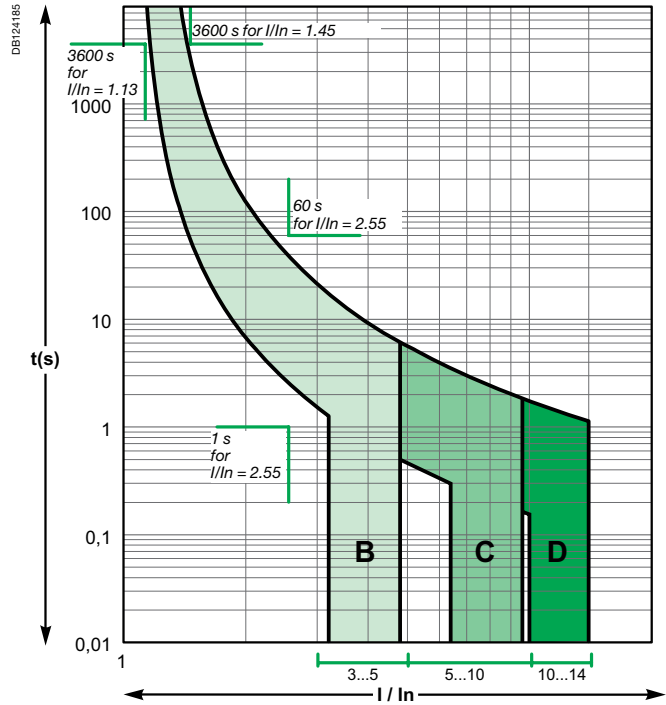
iC60

According to IEC/EN 60898-1 (reference temperature 30°C)

Curves B, C, D rating up to 4 A



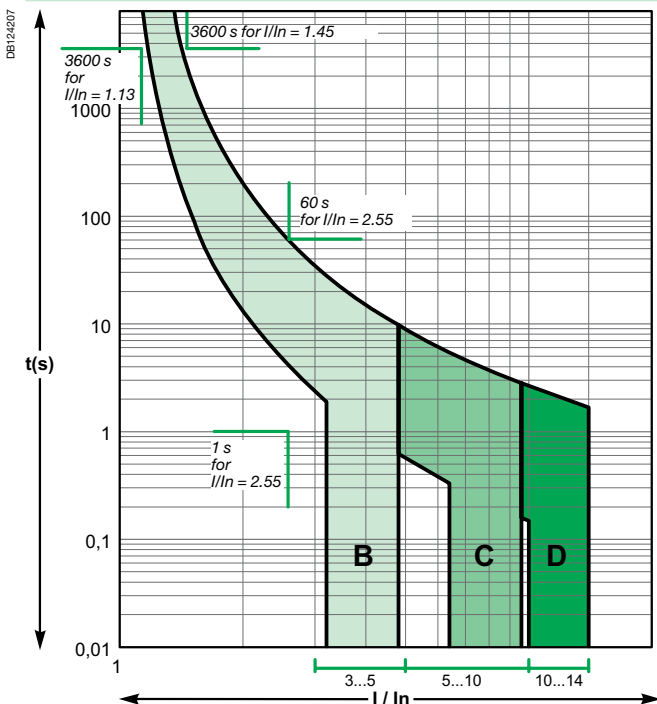
Curves B, C, D rating 6 A to 63 A



C120N/H

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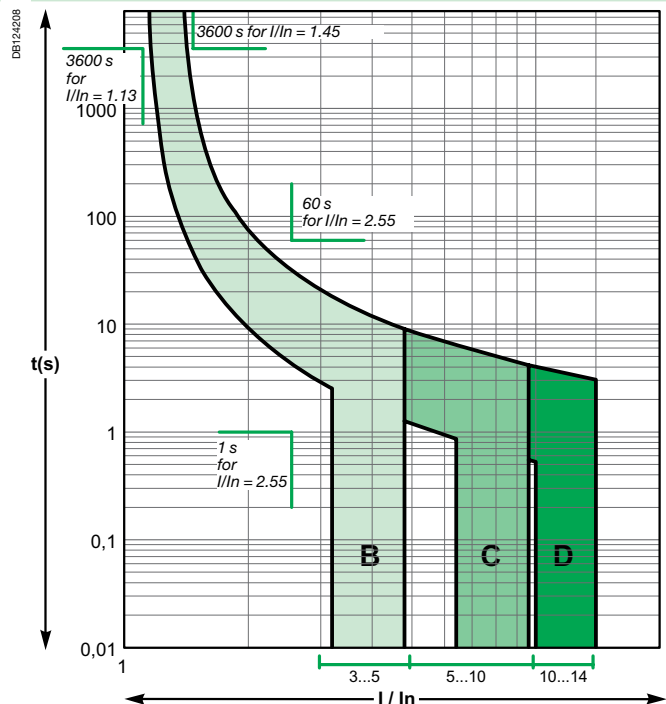
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iDPN, DPN N (circuit-breaker and residual current device)

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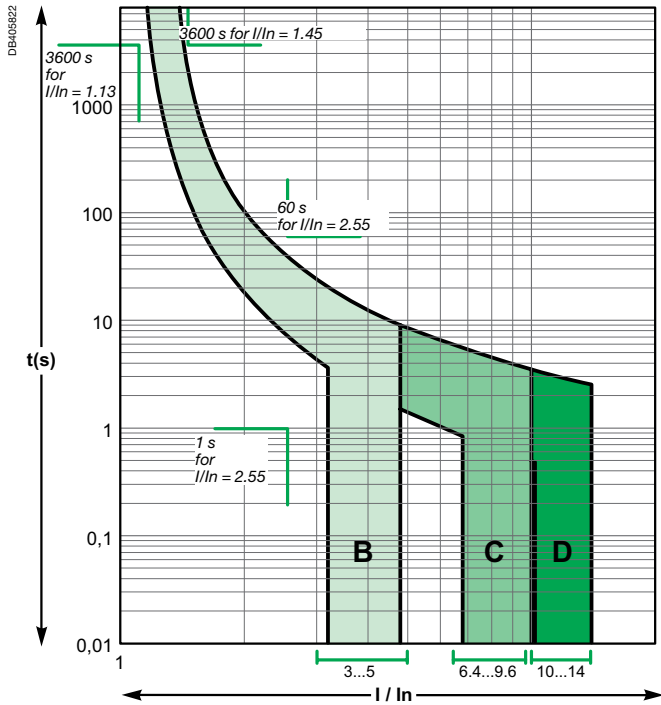


Alternative current 50/60 Hz

C60

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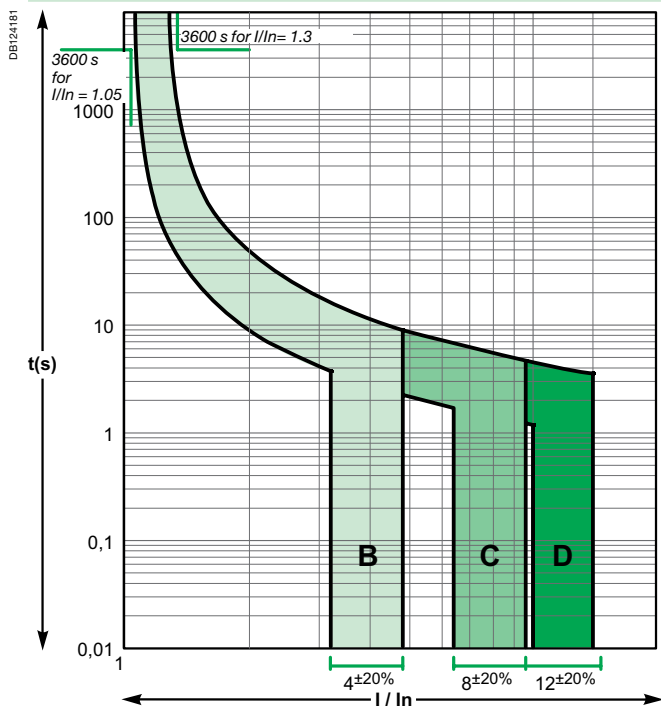


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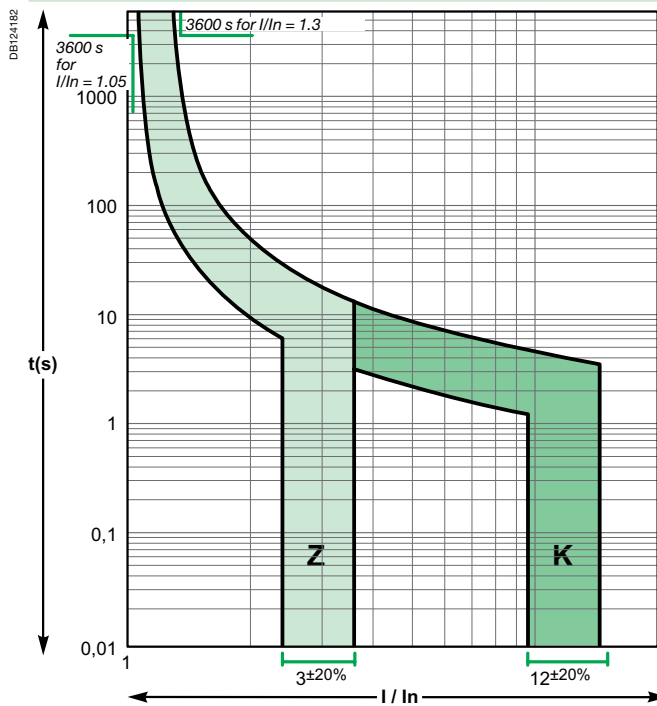
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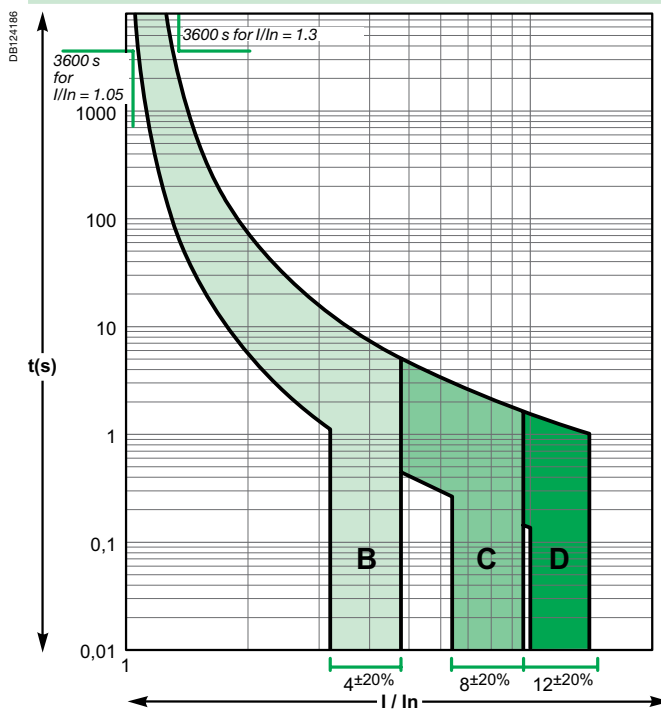
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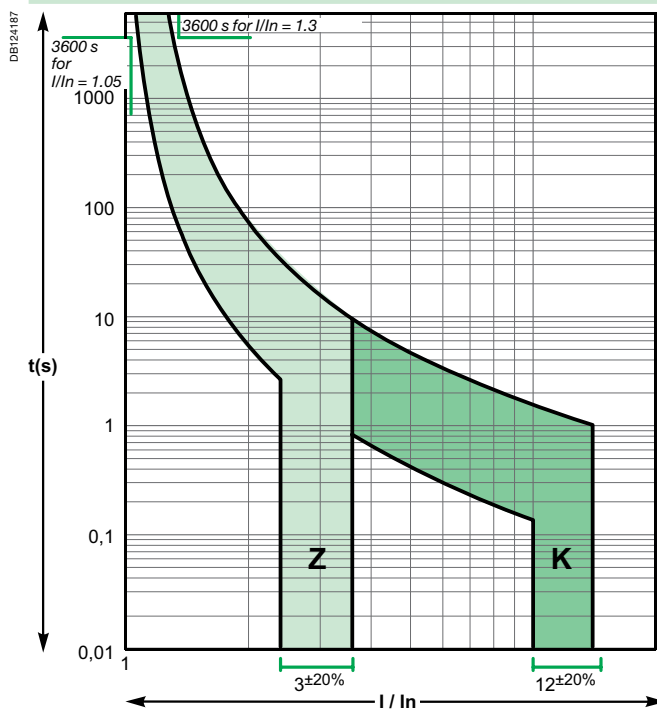
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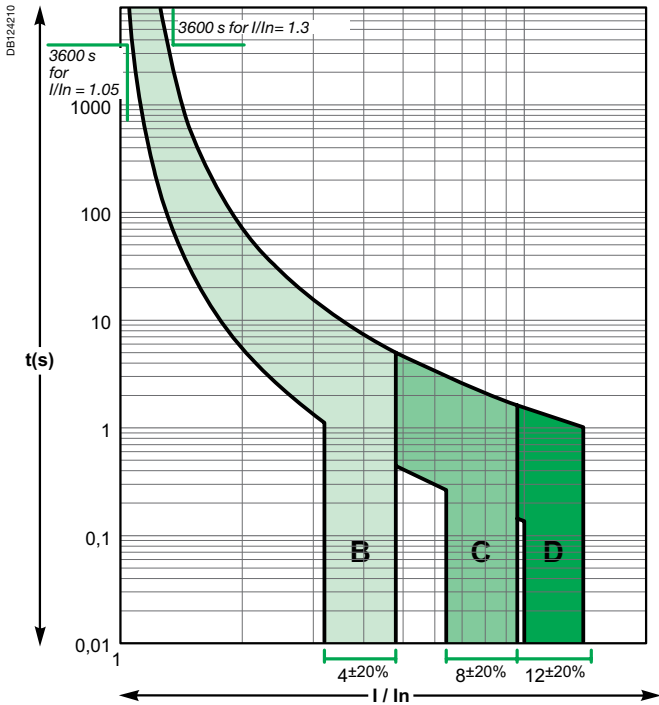


Alternative current 50/60 Hz

Reflex iC60N/H

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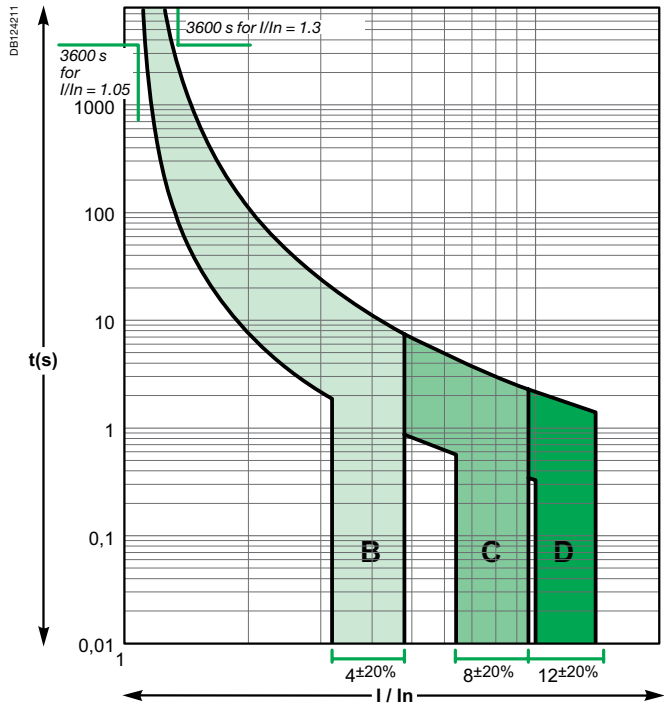
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NG125a/N/H/L

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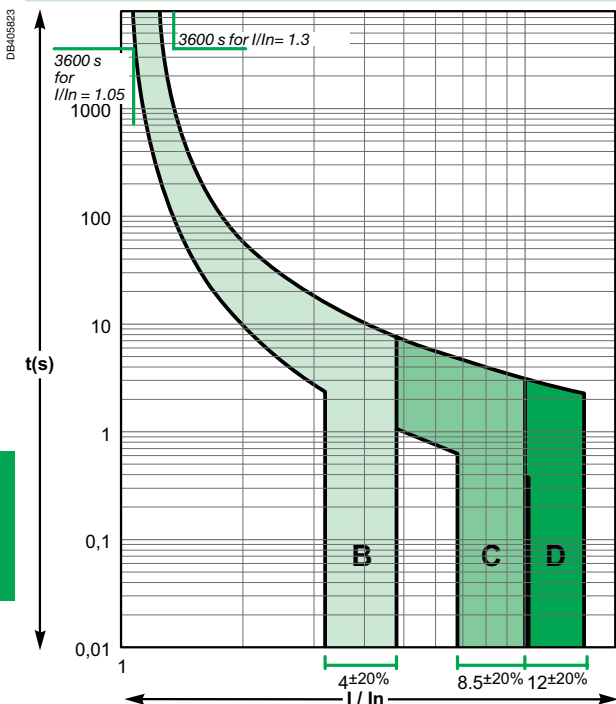
Curves B, C, D



C60

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Curves B, C, D

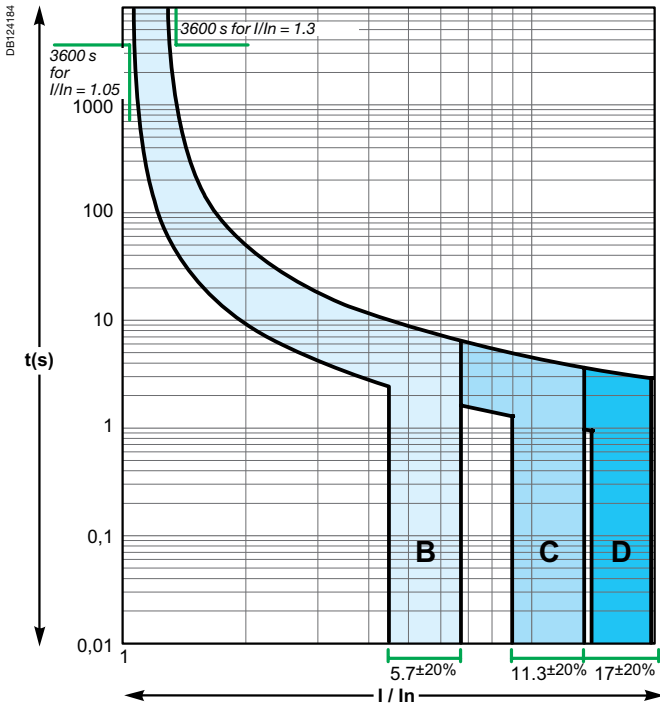


Direct current

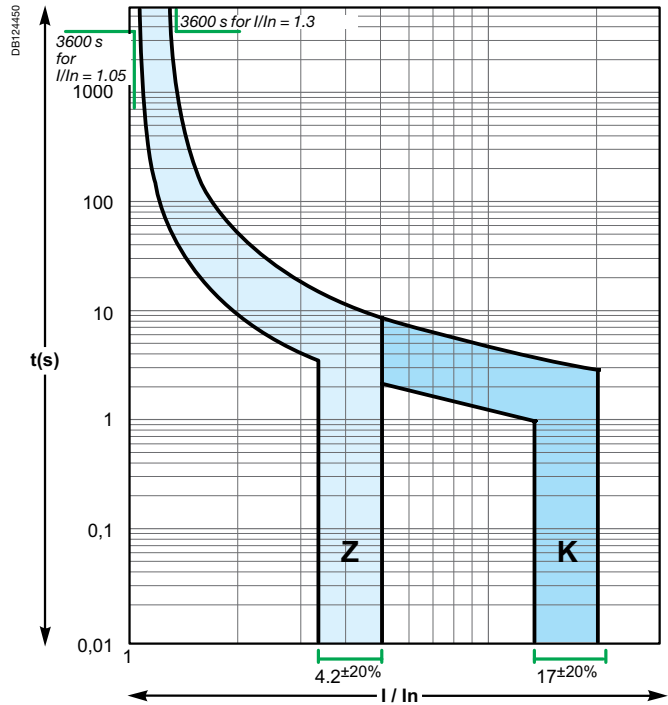
iC60N/H/L

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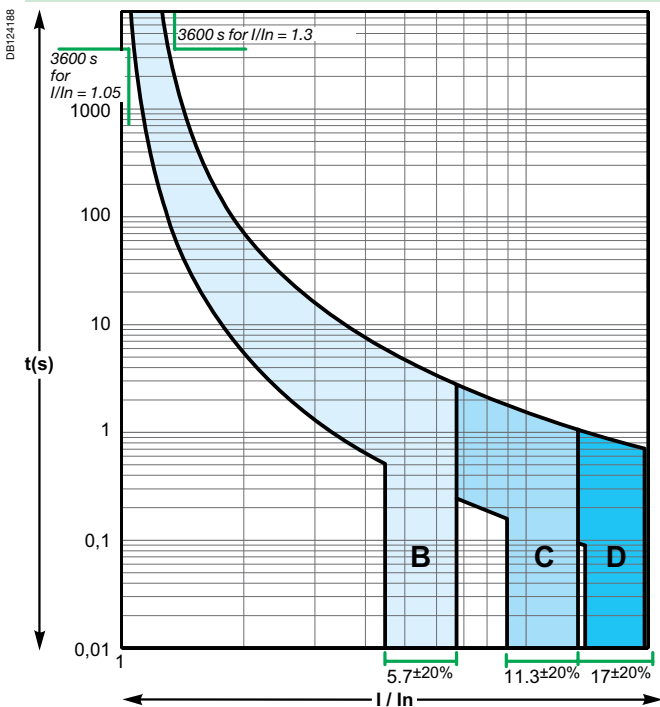
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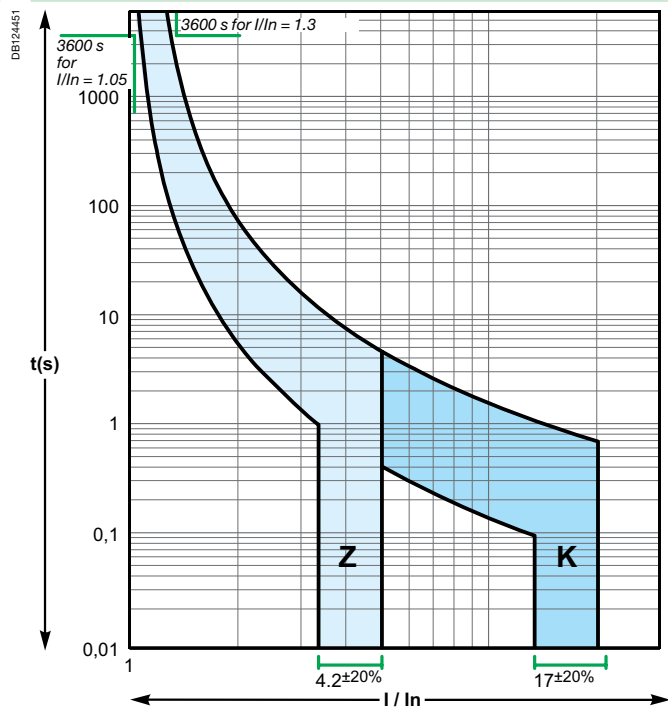
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Curves B, C, D rating 6 A to 63 A



Curves Z, K rating 6 A to 63 A

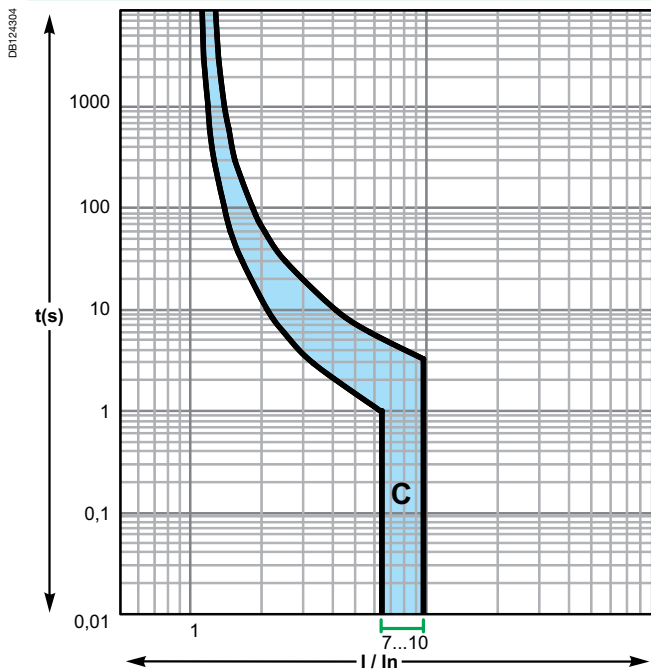


Direct current

**C60H-DC**

According to IEC/EN 60947-2 (reference temperature 25°C)

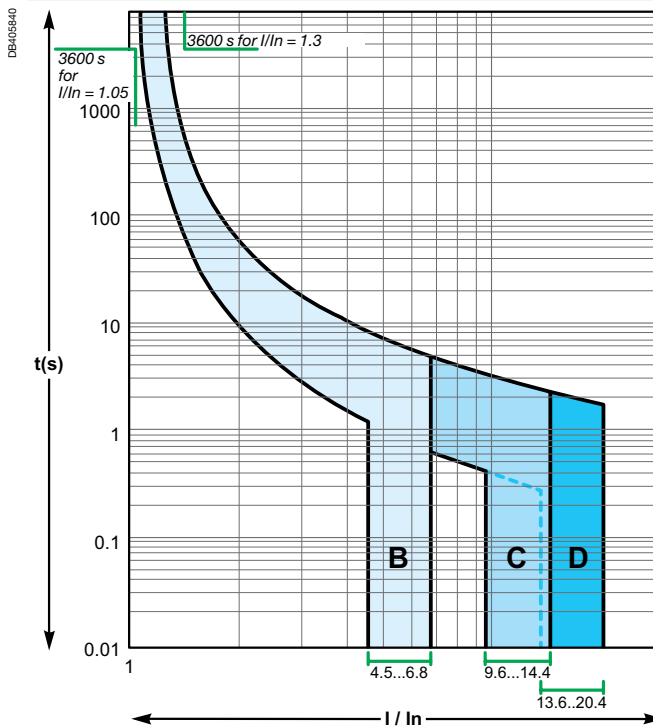
Curve C



**C60**

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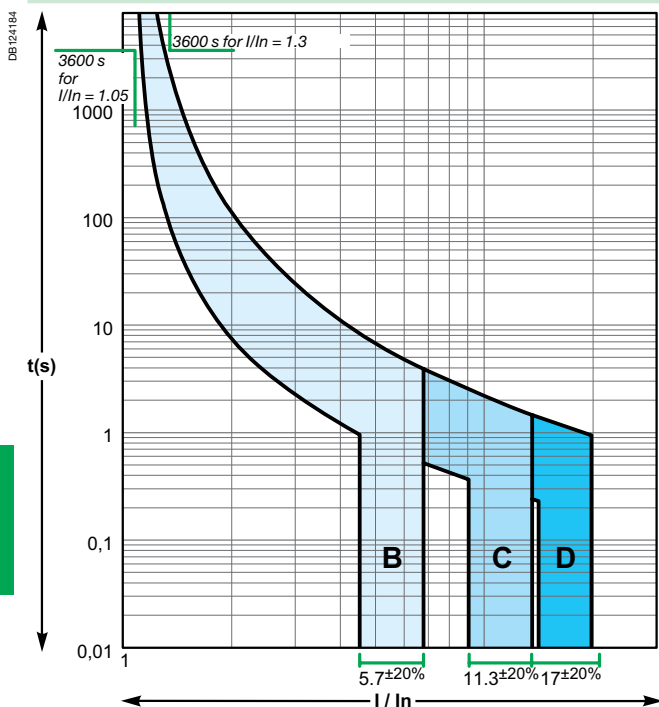
Curves B, C, D



**NG125a/N/H/L**

According to IEC/EN 60947-2 (reference temperature 40°C)

Curves B, C, D



## Influence of temperature on the operation

Devices	Characteristics influenced by temperature	Temperature	
		Min.	Max.
iDPN, C60H-DC, C60, C120, NG125, C60PV-DC circuit breakers	Tripping on overload	-30°C	+70°C
iC60N circuit breakers	Tripping on overload	-25°C	+60°C
Circuit breakers	With Vigi (AC)	-5°C	+60°C
	With Vigi (A, SI)	-25°C	+60°C
Reflex iC60	Tripping on overload	-25°C	+60°C
iC60H RCBO,	Tripping on overload	-15°C	+60°C
C60NA-DC, SW60PV-DC switch-disconnectors	Maximum operating current	-25°C	+70°C
	Maximum operating current	-5°C	+60°C
iID residual current circuit breakers	AC	-5°C	+60°C
	A, SI	-25°C	+60°C
Switches	iSW	-20°C	+50°C
	iSW-NA	-35°C	+70°C
Protection auxiliaries	None	-35°C	+70°C
RCA, ARA control auxiliaries	None	-25°C	+60°C
iCT contactors	Installation conditions	-5°C	+60°C
iTL impulse relays	None	-20°C	+50°C
iCT, iTL auxiliaries	None	-20°C	+50°C
Distribloc	Maximum operating current	-25°C	+60°C
Multiclip	Maximum operating current	-25°C	+60°C

Note: the temperature considered is the temperature viewed through the device.

## Circuit breakers

### High temperatures

- A rise in temperature causes lowering of the thermal threshold (tripping on overload).
- Protection is still ensured: the tripping threshold remains lower than the current acceptable by the cable ( $I_2$ )
- To prevent nuisance tripping, it should be checked that this threshold remains higher than the maximum operating current ( $I_B$ ) of the circuit, defined by:
  - the rated load currents,
  - the coefficients of expansion and simultaneity of use.

If the temperature is sufficiently high for the tripping threshold to become lower than the operating current  $I_B$ , switchboard ventilation should be provided for.

### Low temperatures

- A fall in temperature increases the thermal tripping threshold of the circuit breaker.
- There is no risk of nuisance tripping: the threshold remains higher than the maximum operating current of the circuit ( $I_B$ ) demanded by the loads.
- It should be checked that the cable remains suitably protected, i.e. that its acceptable current ( $I_2$ ) is higher than the values shown in the following tables (in amperes).

When the ambient temperature could vary within a broad range, both these aspects must be taken into account:

- the difference between the maximum operating current of the circuit ( $I_B$ ) and the tripping threshold of the circuit breaker for the minimum ambient temperature,
- the difference between the strength of the cable ( $I_2$ ) and the maximum tripping threshold of the circuit breaker for the maximum ambient temperature.

## Maximum permissible current

- The maximum current allowed to flow through the device depends on the ambient temperature in which it is placed.
- The ambient temperature is the temperature inside the enclosure or switchboard in which the devices are installed.
- The reference temperature is in a halftone colour for the different devices.
  
- When several devices operating simultaneously are mounted side by side in a small enclosure, a temperature rise in the enclosure results in a reduction in the operating current. A reduction coefficient of 0.8 will then have to be assigned to the rating (already derated, if applicable, depending on the ambient temperature).

■ Example:  
 Depending on the ambient temperature and the method of installation, the table below shows how to determine, for an iC60, the operating currents not to be exceeded for ratings 25 A, 32 A and 40 A (reference temperature 50°C).

Operating current not to be exceeded (A)							
Installation conditions (IEC 60947-2)		iC60 alone			Several iC60 in the same enclosure (calculate with the reduction coefficient indicated below)		
Ambient temperature (°C)		35°C	50°C	65°C	35°C	50°C	65°C
Type	Nominal rating (A)	Actual rating (A)					
iC60	25	26.35	25	23.57	26.35 x 0.8 = 21	25 x 0.8 = 20	23.57 x 0.8 = 19
	32	34	32	29.9	34 x 0.8 = 27	32 x 0.8 = 25.6	29.9 x 0.8 = 24
	40	42.5	40	37.34	42.5 x 0.8 = 34	40 x 0.8 = 32	37.34 x 0.8 = 30

IEC 60898-1

C120 derating table (IEC 60898-1)

C120	Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
10 A	12.9	12.7	12.5	12.2	12	11.8	11.5	11.3	11	10.8	10.5	10.3	10	9.7	9.4	9.1	8.8	8.5	8.2	7.9	7.5
16 A	19.4	19.1	18.8	18.6	18.3	18	17.8	17.5	17.2	16.9	16.6	16.3	16	15.7	15.4	15.1	14.7	14.4	14	13.7	13.3
20 A	24.6	24.2	23.9	23.5	23.2	22.8	22.4	22	21.6	21.2	20.8	20.4	20	19.6	19.1	18.7	18.2	17.7	17.3	16.8	16.2
25 A	30.9	30.5	30	29.5	29.1	28.6	28.1	27.6	27.1	26.6	26.1	25.5	25	24.4	23.9	23.3	22.7	22.1	21.5	20.8	20.1
32 A	38.9	38.4	37.9	37.3	36.8	36.2	35.6	35	34.5	33.9	33.3	32.6	32	31.4	30.7	30	29.3	28.6	27.9	27.2	26.4
40 A	49.8	49.1	48.3	47.6	46.8	46	45.2	44.4	43.5	42.7	41.8	40.9	40	39.1	38.1	37.1	36.1	35.1	34.1	33	31.8
50 A	62.2	61.3	60.4	59.4	58.4	57.5	56.5	55.4	54.4	53.3	52.2	51.1	50	48.8	47.7	46.4	45.2	43.9	42.6	41.2	39.8
63 A	78.6	77.5	76.3	75	73.8	72.5	71.3	69.9	68.6	67.3	65.9	64.5	63	61.5	60	58.4	56.8	55.2	53.5	51.7	49.9
80 A	98.4	97	95.6	94.2	92.7	91.2	89.7	88.1	86.6	85	83.4	81.7	80	78.3	76.5	74.7	72.8	70.9	69	67	64.9
100 A	124.5	122.6	120.7	118.8	116.9	114.9	112.9	110.9	108.8	106.6	104.5	102.3	100	97.7	95.3	92.9	90.4	87.8	85.2	82.5	79.6
125 A	157	154.6	152.2	149.7	147.1	144.6	141.9	139.2	136.5	133.7	130.9	128	125	122	118.8	115.6	112.3	108.9	105.4	101.8	98

Tertiary/Industry (IEC 60947-2)

iDPN derating table (IEC 60947-2)

iDPN		Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating	Curve	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
1 A	B, C, D	1.69	1.66	1.62	1.59	1.55	1.51	1.47	1.43	1.39	1.35	1.3	1.26	1.21	1.16	1.11	1.06	1	0.94	0.88	0.81	0.73
2 A	B, C, D	2.68	2.64	2.6	2.56	2.52	2.48	2.44	2.4	2.36	2.32	2.28	2.23	2.19	2.14	2.1	2.05	2	1.95	1.9	1.85	1.79
3 A	B, C, D	4.03	3.97	3.91	3.86	3.8	3.74	3.68	3.61	3.55	3.49	3.42	3.36	3.29	3.22	3.15	3.07	3	2.92	2.85	2.77	2.68
4 A	B, C, D	5.26	5.19	5.12	5.05	4.98	4.9	4.83	4.75	4.67	4.6	4.52	4.43	4.35	4.27	4.18	4.09	4	3.91	3.81	3.72	3.62
6 A	B, C, D	7.51	7.42	7.34	7.25	7.16	7.07	6.98	6.89	6.8	6.7	6.61	6.51	6.41	6.31	6.21	6.11	6	5.89	5.78	5.67	5.56
10 A	B	12.5	12.3	12.2	12.1	11.9	11.8	11.6	11.5	11.3	11.2	11	10.8	10.7	10.5	10.3	10.2	10	9.8	9.7	9.5	9.3
10 A	C, D	13	12.9	12.7	12.5	12.3	12.2	12	11.8	11.6	11.4	11.2	11	10.8	10.6	10.4	10.2	10	9.8	9.6	9.3	9.1
13 A	B	17	16.7	16.5	16.3	16.1	15.8	15.6	15.4	15.1	14.9	14.6	14.4	14.1	13.8	13.6	13.3	13	12.7	12.4	12.1	11.8
13 A	C, D	17.2	16.9	16.7	16.5	16.2	16	15.7	15.5	15.2	15	14.7	14.4	14.2	13.9	13.6	13.3	13	12.7	12.4	12.1	11.7
16 A	B, C	20.6	20.4	20.1	19.8	19.6	19.3	19	18.7	18.5	18.2	17.9	17.6	17.3	17	16.7	16.3	16	15.7	15.3	15	14.6
16 A	D	20.8	20.5	20.2	20	19.7	19.4	19.1	18.8	18.5	18.2	17.9	17.6	17.3	17	16.7	16.3	16	15.7	15.3	14.9	14.6
20 A	B	25.7	25.3	25	24.7	24.4	24	23.7	23.4	23	22.7	22.3	21.9	21.6	21.2	20.8	20.4	20	19.6	19.2	18.8	18.3
20 A	C, D	26	25.7	25.3	25	24.6	24.3	23.9	23.6	23.2	22.8	22.4	22	21.7	21.3	20.8	20.4	20	19.6	19.1	18.7	18.2
25 A	B, C, D	32	31.6	31.2	30.8	30.4	30	29.6	29.2	28.7	28.3	27.8	27.4	26.9	26.5	26	25.5	25	24.5	24	23.5	22.9
32 A	B, C, D	41.6	41.1	40.5	40	39.4	38.9	38.3	37.7	37.1	36.5	35.9	35.3	34.7	34	33.4	32.7	32	31.3	30.6	29.9	29.1
40 A	B, C, D	52.7	52	51.3	50.6	49.8	49.1	48.3	47.6	46.8	46	45.2	44.4	43.5	42.7	41.8	40.9	40	39.1	38.1	37.1	36.1

iC60, Reflex iC60 derating table (IEC 60947-2)

iC60		Ambient temperature (°C)																					
Rating		-35	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
0.5 A		0.66	0.65	0.64	0.63	0.63	0.62	0.61	0.6	0.59	0.58	0.57	0.56	0.55	0.54	0.53	0.52	0.51	0.5	0.49	0.48	0.47	0.45
1 A		1.32	1.3	1.28	1.27	1.25	1.23	1.21	1.2	1.18	1.16	1.14	1.12	1.1	1.08	1.06	1.04	1.02	1	0.98	0.96	0.93	0.91
2 A		2.79	2.75	2.71	2.67	2.63	2.58	2.54	2.5	2.45	2.4	2.36	2.31	2.26	2.21	2.16	2.11	2.05	2	1.94	1.89	1.83	1.76
3 A		4.21	4.15	4.08	4.02	3.96	3.89	3.83	3.76	3.69	3.62	3.55	3.48	3.4	3.32	3.25	3.17	3.08	3	2.91	2.82	2.73	2.64
4 A		5.62	5.54	5.46	5.37	5.29	5.2	5.11	5.02	4.93	4.83	4.74	4.64	4.54	4.44	4.33	4.22	4.11	4	3.88	3.76	3.64	3.51
6 A		8.55	8.42	8.29	8.16	8.03	7.89	7.75	7.61	7.46	7.31	7.16	7.01	6.85	6.69	6.52	6.35	6.18	6	5.81	5.62	5.43	5.22
10 A		13.3	13.2	13	12.8	12.6	12.5	12.3	12.1	11.9	11.7	11.5	11.3	11.1	10.9	10.7	10.5	10.2	10	9.8	9.5	9.3	9
13 A		17.1	16.9	16.7	16.4	16.2	16	15.8	15.5	15.3	15.1	14.8	14.6	14.3	14.1	13.8	13.6	13.3	13	12.7	12.4	12.1	11.8
16 A		21.1	20.8	20.6	20.3	20	19.7	19.5	19.2	18.9	18.6	18.3	18	17.7	17.3	17	16.7	16.3	16	15.7	15.3	14.9	14.5
20 A		26	25.7	25.4	25	24.7	24.4	24.1	23.7	23.4	23	22.7	22.3	21.9	21.6	21.2	20.8	20.4	20	19.6	19.2	18.7	18.3
25 A		31.9	31.6	31.2	30.8	30.4	30.1	29.7	29.3	28.9	28.5	28.1	27.6	27.2	26.8	26.4	25.9	25.5	25	24.5	24.1	23.6	23.1
32 A		42	41.5	41	40.5	39.9	39.4	38.8	38.2	37.7	37.1	36.5	35.9	35.3	34.6	34	33.3	32.7	32	31.3	30.6	29.9	29.1
40 A		52.6	51.9	51.3	50.6	49.9	49.2	48.5	47.8	47.1	46.4	45.6	44.9	44.1	43.3	42.5	41.7	40.9	40	39.1	38.2	37.3	36.4
50 A		67.1	66.3	65.4	64.5	63.5	62.6	61.6	60.7	59.7	58.7	57.7	56.7	55.6	54.5	53.4	52.3	51.2	50	48.8	47.6	46.3	45
63 A		86.3	85.1	83.9	82.7	81.4	80.1	78.9	77.6	76.2	74.9	73.5	72.1	70.7	69.2	67.7	66.2	64.6	63	61.4	59.7	57.9	56.1

Reflex iC60

C60 derating table (IEC 60947-2)

C60		Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating		-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
0.5 A		0.68	0.67	0.66	0.65	0.64	0.63	0.62	0.61	0.6	0.59	0.58	0.56	0.55	0.54	0.53	0.51	0.5	0.49	0.47	0.46	0.44
0.75 A		0.93	0.92	0.91	0.9	0.89	0.88	0.87	0.86	0.85	0.83	0.82	0.81	0.8	0.79	0.78	0.76	0.75	0.74	0.72	0.7	0.68
1 A		1.31	1.3	1.28	1.27	1.25	1.23	1.21	1.19	1.17	1.15	1.13	1.11	1.09	1.07	1.05	1.02	1	0.98	0.95	0.93	0.91
2 A		2.55	2.59	2.56	2.52	2.49	2.45	2.41	2.37	2.34	2.3	2.26	2.22	2.17	2.13	2.09	2.04	2	1.95	1.91	1.88	1.84
3 A		3.81	4.04	3.98	3.92	3.85	3.79	3.73	3.66	3.59	3.52	3.45	3.38	3.31	3.23	3.16	3.08	3	2.92	2.83	2.82	2.76
4 A		4.9	4.86	4.81	4.76	4.7	4.65	4.59	4.54	4.48	4.42	4.37	4.31	4.25	4.19	4.13	4.06	4	3.94	3.87	3.81	3.74
6 A		7.93	7.82	7.71	7.6	7.49	7.38	7.27	7.15	7.03	6.91	6.79	6.66	6.54	6.41	6.27	6.14	6	5.86	5.71	5.56	5.42
8 A		10.37	10.23	10.09	9.96	9.82	9.68	9.54	9.4	9.25	9.11	8.96	8.81	8.65	8.49	8.33	8.17	8	7.83	7.65	7.47	7.31
10 A		13.3	13.2	13	12.8	12.6	12.4	12.2	12	11.8	11.6	11.4	11.2	10.9	10.7	10.5	10.2	10	9.8	9.5	9.2	9
13 A		17	16.9	16.6	16.4	16.2	15.9	15.7	15.4	15.2	14.9	14.7	14.4	14.1	13.9	13.6	13.3	13	12.7	12.4	12.1	11.8
16 A		20	19.8	19.5	19.3	19.1	18.8	18.6	18.4	18.1	17.9	17.6	17.3	17.1	16.8	16.6	16.3	16	15.7	15.4	15.1	14.8
20 A		26.9	26.6	26.2	25.8	25.4	25	24.6	24.2	23.7	23.3	22.9	22.4	22	21.5	21	20.5	20	19.5	18.9	18.4	17.9
25 A		32.9	32.5	32.1	31.6	31.1	30.7	30.2	29.7	29.2	28.7	28.2	27.7	27.2	26.7	26.1	25.6	25	24.4	23.8	23.2	22.6
32 A		41.5	41.1	40.5	40	39.4	38.9	38.3	37.7	37.1	36.5	35.9	35.3	34.7	34	33.4	32.7	32	31.3	30.6	29.9	29.1
40 A		53.7	52.9	52.2	51.4	50.6	49.8	49	48.2	47.3	46.5	45.6	44.7	43.8	42.9	42	41	40	39	37.9	36.9	35.8
45 A		60.8	60.1	59.2	58.3	57.4	56.5	55.5	54.6	53.6	52.6	51.6	50.5	49.5	48.4	47.3	46.2	45	43.8	42.6	41.4	40.1
50 A		65	64.3	63.5	62.6	61.7	60.8	59.9	59	58.1	57.1	56.2	55.2	54.2	53.2	52.1	51.1	50	48.9	47.8	46.7	45.5
63 A		85.5	84.6	83.3	82	80.7	79.4	78	76.7	75.3	73.9	72.4	70.9	69.4	67.9	66.3	64.7	63	61.3	59.5	57.8	56

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C60H-DC derating table (IEC 60947-2)

C60H-DC	Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
0.5 A	0.63	0.62	0.61	0.6	0.59	0.58	0.56	0.55	0.54	0.53	0.51	0.5	0.49	0.47	0.46	0.44	0.43	0.41	0.39	0.38	0.36
1 A	1.18	1.17	1.15	1.14	1.12	1.1	1.09	1.07	1.05	1.04	1.02	1	0.98	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.9	0.88	0.86	0.84	0.82
2 A	2.54	2.5	2.45	2.41	2.36	2.31	2.26	2.21	2.16	2.11	2.06	2	1.94	1.88	1.82	1.76	1.7	1.63	1.56	1.48	1.41
3 A	3.78	3.71	3.65	3.58	3.51	3.45	3.38	3.3	3.23	3.16	3.08	3	2.92	2.84	2.75	2.66	2.57	2.48	2.38	2.27	2.17
4 A	5.08	4.99	4.9	4.81	4.71	4.62	4.52	4.42	4.32	4.22	4.11	4	3.89	3.77	3.65	3.53	3.4	3.27	3.13	2.98	2.83
5 A	6	5.92	5.83	5.74	5.66	5.57	5.48	5.39	5.29	5.2	5.1	5	4.9	4.8	4.69	4.58	4.47	4.36	4.24	4.12	4
6 A	7.26	7.15	7.04	6.94	6.83	6.71	6.6	6.48	6.37	6.25	6.12	6	5.87	5.74	5.61	5.47	5.33	5.19	5.04	4.89	4.73
10 A	12.6	12.4	12.2	11.9	11.7	11.5	11.3	11	10.8	10.5	10.3	10	9.7	9.5	9.2	8.9	8.6	8.3	7.9	7.6	7.2
13 A	15.5	15.3	15.1	14.9	14.6	14.4	14.2	14	13.7	13.5	13.3	13	12.8	12.5	12.2	12	11.7	11.4	11.1	10.8	10.5
15 A	18.6	18.3	18	17.7	17.4	17.1	16.7	16.4	16.1	15.7	15.4	15	14.6	14.3	13.9	13.5	13	12.6	12.2	11.7	11.2
16 A	19.4	19.1	18.9	18.6	18.3	18	17.6	17.3	17	16.7	16.3	16	15.7	15.3	14.9	14.6	14.2	13.8	13.4	13	12.5
20 A	24.1	23.7	23.4	23	22.7	22.3	21.9	21.6	21.2	20.8	20.4	20	19.6	19.2	18.7	18.3	17.9	17.4	16.9	16.4	15.9
25 A	30.4	29.9	29.5	29	28.5	28.1	27.6	27.1	26.6	26.1	25.5	25	24.5	23.9	23.3	22.7	22.1	21.5	20.9	20.2	19.6
30 A	37.4	36.7	36.1	35.5	34.9	34.2	33.5	32.9	32.2	31.5	30.7	30	29.2	28.5	27.7	26.8	26	25.1	24.2	23.2	22.3
32 A	38.5	37.9	37.4	36.8	36.2	35.7	35.1	34.5	33.9	33.3	32.6	32	31.4	30.7	30	29.3	28.6	27.9	27.1	26.3	25.5
40 A	48.9	48.2	47.4	46.7	45.9	45.1	44.3	43.5	42.6	41.8	40.9	40	39.1	38.2	37.2	36.2	35.2	34.2	33.1	32	30.8
50 A	59.9	59.1	58.3	57.4	56.5	55.6	54.7	53.8	52.9	52	51	50	49	48	46.9	45.9	44.8	43.6	42.5	41.3	40.1
63 A	78.2	76.9	75.6	74.3	73	71.7	70.3	68.9	67.5	66	64.5	63	61.4	59.8	58.2	56.5	54.7	52.9	51.1	49.1	47.1

C60PV-DC derating table (IEC 60947-2)

C60PV-DC	Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
1 A	1.18	1.17	1.15	1.14	1.12	1.1	1.09	1.07	1.05	1.04	1.02	1	0.98	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.9	0.88	0.86	0.84	0.82
2 A	2.54	2.5	2.45	2.41	2.36	2.31	2.26	2.21	2.16	2.11	2.06	2	1.94	1.88	1.82	1.76	1.7	1.63	1.56	1.48	1.41
3 A	3.78	3.71	3.65	3.58	3.51	3.45	3.38	3.3	3.23	3.16	3.08	3	2.92	2.84	2.75	2.66	2.57	2.48	2.38	2.27	2.17
5 A	6	5.92	5.83	5.74	5.66	5.57	5.48	5.39	5.29	5.2	5.1	5	4.9	4.8	4.69	4.58	4.47	4.36	4.24	4.12	4
8 A	9.64	9.5	9.36	9.22	9.08	8.93	8.78	8.63	8.48	8.32	8.16	8	7.83	7.67	7.49	7.31	7.13	6.95	6.76	6.56	6.36
10 A	12.6	12.4	12.2	11.9	11.7	11.5	11.2	11	11.8	10.5	10.3	10	9.7	9.4	9.2	9.9	8.6	8.2	7.9	7.6	7.2
13 A	15.5	15.3	15.1	14.8	14.6	14.4	14.2	14	13.7	13.5	13.2	13	12.7	12.5	12.2	12	11.7	11.4	11.1	10.8	10.5
15 A	18.6	18.3	18	17.7	17.4	17.1	16.7	16.4	16.1	16.7	15.4	15	14.6	14.3	13.9	13.5	13	12.6	12.2	11.7	11.2
16 A	19.4	19.1	18.9	18.6	18.3	18	17.6	17.3	17	16.7	16.3	16	15.7	15.3	14.9	14.6	14.2	13.8	13.4	13	12.5
20 A	24.1	23.7	23.4	23	22.7	22.3	21.9	21.6	21.2	20.8	20.4	20	19.6	19.2	18.7	18.3	17.9	17.4	16.9	16.4	15.9
25 A	30.4	29.9	29.5	29	28.5	28.1	27.6	27.1	26.6	26.1	25.5	25	24.5	23.9	23.3	22.7	22.1	21.5	20.9	20.2	19.6
30 A	37.4	36.7	36.1	35.5	34.9	34.2	33.5	32.9	32.2	31.5	30.7	30	29.2	28.5	27.7	26.8	26	25.1	24.2	23.2	22.3

C120 derating table (IEC 60947-2)

C120	Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
10 A	14.5	14.3	14	13.8	13.5	13.3	13	12.7	12.5	12.2	11.9	11.6	11.3	11	10.7	10.3	10	9.7	9.3	8.9	8.5
16 A	21.2	21	20.7	20.4	20.1	19.8	19.4	19.1	18.8	18.5	18.2	17.8	17.5	17.1	16.8	16.4	16	15.6	15.2	14.8	14.4
20 A	27	26.6	26.3	25.9	25.5	25	24.6	24.2	23.8	23.3	22.9	22.4	22	21.5	21	20.5	20	19.5	18.9	18.4	17.8
25 A	33.7	33.3	32.8	32.3	31.8	31.3	30.8	30.2	29.7	29.1	28.6	28	27.5	26.9	26.3	25.6	25	24.4	23.7	23	22.3
32 A	42.7	42.1	41.5	40.9	40.3	39.7	39	38.4	37.7	37.1	36.4	35.7	35	34.3	33.5	32.8	32	31.2	30.4	29.6	28.7
40 A	54.8	54	53.2	52.4	51.5	50.7	49.8	48.9	48	47.1	46.1	45.2	44.2	43.2	42.1	41.1	40	38.9	37.7	36.6	35.3
50 A	69.1	68.1	67	65.9	64.8	63.7	62.6	61.5	60.3	59.1	57.9	56.7	55.4	54.1	52.8	51.4	50	48.6	47.1	45.5	43.9
63 A	87.1	85.8	84.5	83.1	81.8	80.4	78.9	77.5	76	74.5	73	71.4	69.8	68.2	66.5	64.8	63	61.2	59.3	57.4	55.4
80 A	103.7	102.4	101	99.7	98.3	96.9	95.5	94.1	92.6	91.1	89.6	88.1	86.5	84.9	83.3	81.7	80	78.3	76.5	74.7	72.9
100 A	137.6	135.5	133.5	131.4	129.2	127.1	124.8	122.6	120.3	118	115.6	113.1	110.6	108.1	105.5	102.8	100	97.2	94.2	91.2	88.1
125 A	174.6	171.9	169.2	166.4	163.6	160.7	157.8	154.9	151.8	148.7	145.6	142.4	139.1	135.7	132.2	128.7	125	121.2	117.3	113.3	109.1

Tertiary/Industry (IEC 60947-2) (cont.)

NG125 derating table (IEC 60947-2)

NG125	Ambient temperature (°C)																				
Rating	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60	+65	+70
10 A	13.7	13.5	13.2	13	12.8	12.5	12.3	12	11.7	11.5	11.2	10.9	10.6	10.3	10	9.7	9.4	9	8.7	8.3	7.9
16 A	20.3	20.1	19.8	19.5	19.2	18.9	18.6	18.3	18	17.7	17.4	17	16.7	16.4	16	15.7	15.3	14.9	14.5	14.1	13.7
20 A	26	25.6	25.3	24.9	24.5	24	23.6	23.2	22.8	22.3	21.9	21.4	21	20.5	20	19.5	19	18.5	17.9	17.4	16.8
25 A	33.8	33.2	32.7	32.1	31.5	30.9	30.3	29.7	29.1	28.4	27.8	27.1	26.4	25.7	25	24.3	23.5	22.7	21.9	21	20.1
32 A	41.2	40.6	40	39.4	38.8	38.2	37.5	36.9	36.2	35.6	34.9	34.2	33.5	32.7	32	31.2	30.5	29.7	28.8	28	27.1
40 A	53.5	52.7	51.8	51	50.1	49.1	48.2	47.3	46.3	45.3	44.3	43.3	42.2	41.1	40	38.9	37.7	36.5	35.2	33.9	32.5
50 A	66.3	65.2	64.2	63.1	62.1	61	59.8	58.7	57.5	56.4	55.1	53.9	52.6	51.3	50	48.6	47.2	45.8	44.3	42.7	41.1
63 A	83.4	82.1	80.8	79.5	78.1	76.8	75.4	73.9	72.5	71	69.5	67.9	66.3	64.7	63	61.3	59.5	57.7	55.8	53.9	51.8
80 A	100.4	99.1	97.8	96.4	95	93.6	92.2	90.8	89.3	87.8	86.3	84.8	83.2	81.6	80	78.3	76.6	74.9	73.1	71.3	69.4
100 A	133.4	131.3	129.1	127	124.8	122.5	120.2	117.9	115.5	113.1	110.6	108	105.4	102.7	100	97.2	94.3	91.3	88.2	85	81.6
125 A	165.2	162.7	160.1	157.5	154.8	152.1	149.3	146.5	143.6	140.7	137.7	134.6	131.5	128.3	125	121.6	118.1	114.6	110.9	107	103.1

Tertiary/Industry (IEC 60947-3)

SW60-DC derating table (IEC 60947-3)

SW60PV-DC	Ambient temperature (°C)											
Rating	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+60	+70
50 A	63	61	60	58	56	54	52	50	48	46	41	35

iC60H RCBO derating table (IEC 61009-1)

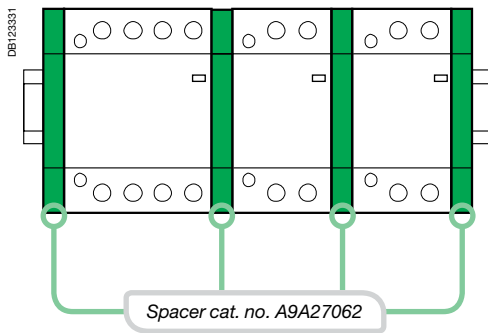
iC60H RCBO	Ambient temperature (°C)															
Rating	-15	-10	-5	0	+5	+10	+15	+20	+25	+30	+35	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60
6 A	8.3	8.15	7.99	7.83	7.67	7.50	7.33	7.16	6.98	6.79	6.6	6.41	6.21	6	5.78	5.56
10 A	12.9	12.7	12.5	12.3	12.1	11.9	11.6	11.4	11.2	11	10.7	10.5	10.3	10	9.7	9.5
16 A	20.9	20.6	20.3	19.9	19.6	19.2	18.8	18.4	18.1	17.7	17.3	16.9	16.4	16	15.6	15.1
20 A	26.3	25.9	25.4	25	24.5	24.1	23.6	23.1	22.6	22.1	21.6	21.1	20.6	20	19.4	18.8
25 A	31.5	31	30.6	30.1	29.6	29.2	28.7	28.2	27.7	27.2	26.6	26.1	25.6	25	24.4	23.8
32 A	39.2	38.7	38.2	37.7	37.2	36.6	36.1	35.5	35	34.4	33.8	33.2	32.6	32	31.4	30.7
40 A	50.2	49.5	48.8	48	47.3	46.5	45.8	45	44.2	43.4	42.6	41.7	40.9	40	39.1	38.2
45 A	55.5	54.7	54	53.2	52.5	51.7	50.9	50.1	49.3	48.5	47.6	46.8	45.9	45	41.9	41

### Switches

- In all cases, the switches are correctly protected against overloads by a circuit breaker with a lower or equal rating, operating at the same ambient temperature.

### iCT contactors

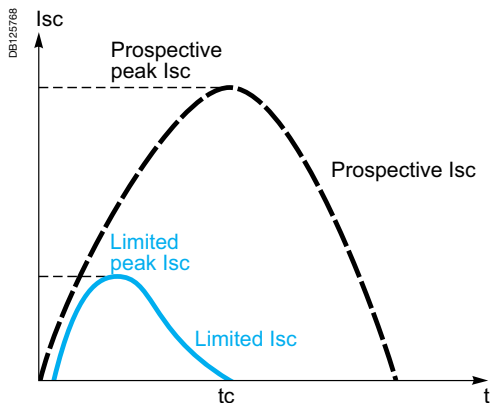
In the case of contactor mounting in an enclosure for which the interior temperature is in a range between 50°C and 60°C, it is necessary to use a spacer, cat. no. A9A27062, between each contactor.



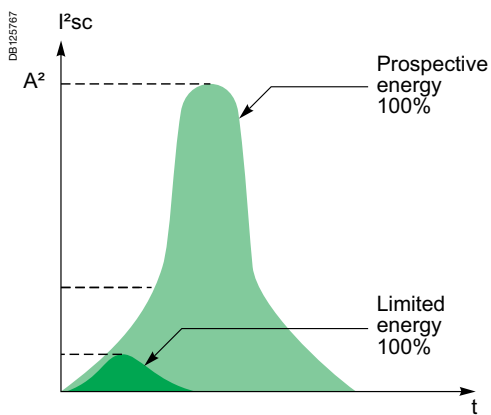
### Splitter blocks

In the event of a temperature higher than 40°C, the maximum acceptable current is limited to the values in the table below:

Type	Temperature				
	40°C	45°C	50°C	55°C	60°C
Multiclip 80 A	80	76	73	69	66
Distribloc 63 A	63	60	58	55	53



Prospective current and real limit current.



**Definition**

The limiting capacity of a circuit breaker is its ability to lessen the effects of a short circuit on an electrical installation by reducing the current amplitude and the dissipated power.

**Benefits of limiting**

**Long installation service life**

**Thermal effects**

Lower temperature rise at the conductor level, hence increased service life for cables and all components that are not self-protected (e.g. switches, contactors, etc.)

**Mechanical effects**

Lower electrodynamic repulsion forces, hence less risk of deformation or breakage of electrical contacts and busbars.

**Electromagnetic effects**

Less interference on sensitive equipment located in the vicinity of an electric circuit.

**Savings through cascading**

Cascading is a technique derived directly from current limiting: downstream of a current-limiting circuit breaker it is possible to use circuit breakers of breaking capacity lower than the prospective short-circuit current (in line with the cascading tables). The breaking capacity is heightened thanks to current limiting by the upstream device. Substantial savings can be achieved in this way on switchgear and enclosures.

**Discrimination of protection devices**

The circuit breakers' current limiting capacity improves discrimination with the protection devices located upstream: this is because the required energy passing through the upstream protection device is greatly reduced and can be not enough to cause it to trip. Discrimination can thus be natural without having to install a time-delayed protection device upstream.

**Acti 9 circuit breaker current limiting**

Profiting from Schneider Electric's experience and expertise in the field of short-circuit current breaking, the circuit breakers of the Acti 9 range have a top-level current limiting characteristic for modular devices.

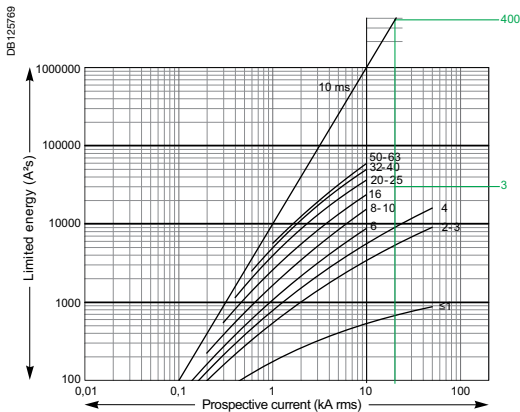
This assures them of optimal protection of the entire power distribution system.

**Representation: Current limiting curves**

The current limiting capacity of a circuit breaker is reflected by 2 curves which give, as a function of the prospective short-circuit current (current which would flow in the absence of a protection device):

- the real peak current (limited)
- the thermal stress (in A<sup>2</sup>s), this value, multiplied by the resistance of any element through which the short-circuit current passes, gives the power dissipated by this element.

The straight line "10 ms" representing the energy A<sup>2</sup>s of a prospective short-circuit current of a half-period (10 ms) indicates the energy that would be dissipated by the short-circuit current in the absence of limiting by the protection device (see example).



**Example**

What is the energy limited by an iC60N 25 A circuit breaker for a prospective short-circuit current of 10 kA rms. What is the quality of current limiting?

> as shown in the graph opposite:

- this short-circuit current (10 kA rms) is likely to dissipate up to 1,000 kA<sup>2</sup>s
- the iC60N circuit breaker reduces this thermal stress to: 35 kA<sup>2</sup>s, which is 22 times less.

**Example of use: Stresses acceptable by the cables**

The following table shows the thermal stresses acceptable by the cables depending on their insulation, their composition (Cu or Al) and their cross section. Cross-section values are expressed in mm<sup>2</sup> and stresses in A<sup>2</sup>s.

S (mm <sup>2</sup> )		1.5	2.5	4	6	10
PVC	Cu	2.97 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	8.26 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	2.12 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	4.76 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	1.32 x 10 <sup>6</sup>
	Al					5.41 x 10 <sup>5</sup>
PRC	Cu	4.10 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	1.39 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	2.92 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	6.56 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	1.82 x 10 <sup>6</sup>
	Al					7.52 x 10 <sup>5</sup>
S (mm <sup>2</sup> )		16	25	35	50	
PVC	Cu	3.4 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	8.26 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	1.62 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	3.21 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	
	Al	1.39 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	3.38 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	6.64 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	1.35 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	
PRC	Cu	4.69 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	1.39 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	2.23 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	4.56 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	
	Al	1.93 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	4.70 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	9.23 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	1.88 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	

**Example**

Is a Cu/PVC cable of cross section 10 mm<sup>2</sup> protected by a NG125L device?

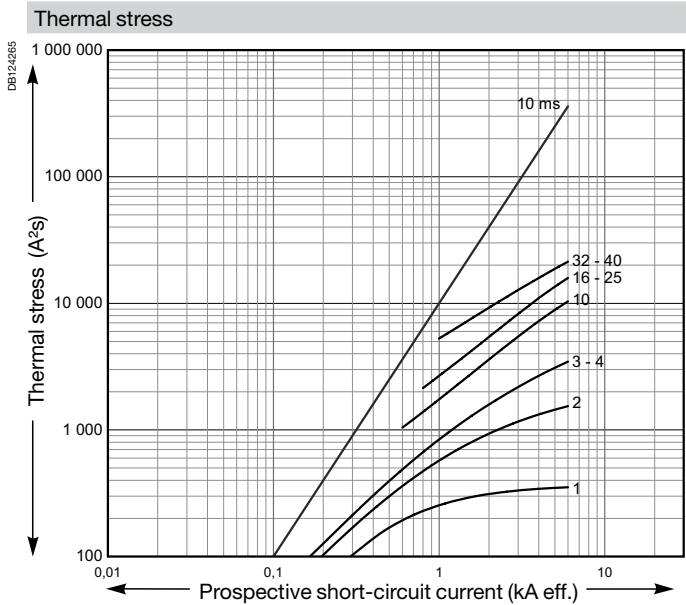
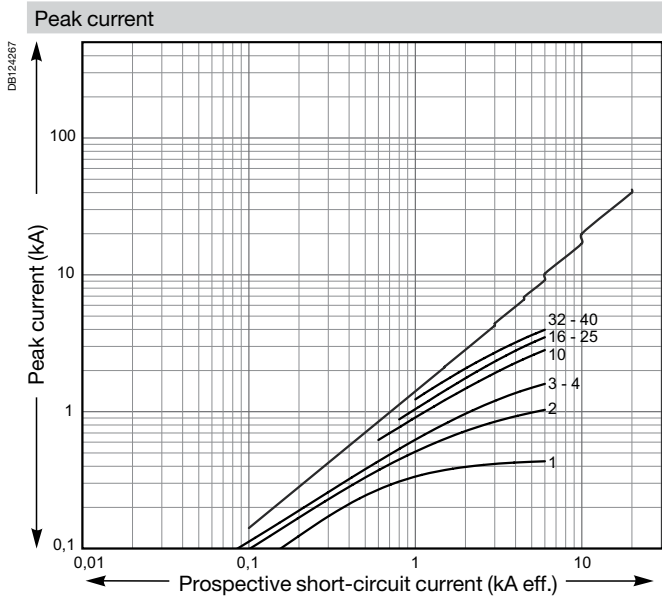
The above table shows that the acceptable stress is 1.32 x 10<sup>6</sup> A<sup>2</sup>s. Any short-circuit current at the point where a NG125L device (I<sub>cu</sub> = 25 kA) is installed will be limited, with a thermal stress of less than 2.2 x 10<sup>5</sup> A<sup>2</sup>s. (Curve on page 11/26).

The cable is therefore always protected up to the breaking capacity of the circuit breaker.

Limitation curves for network  
 U<sub>e</sub>: 380-415 V AC (Ph/N 220-240 V AC)

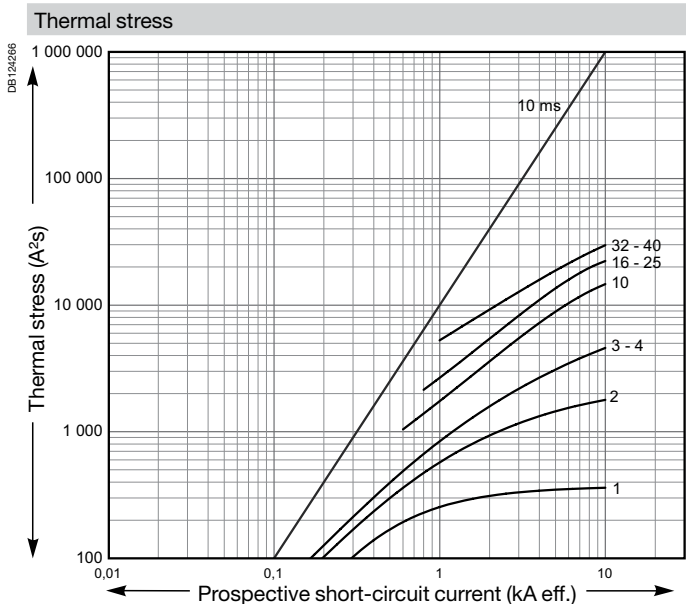
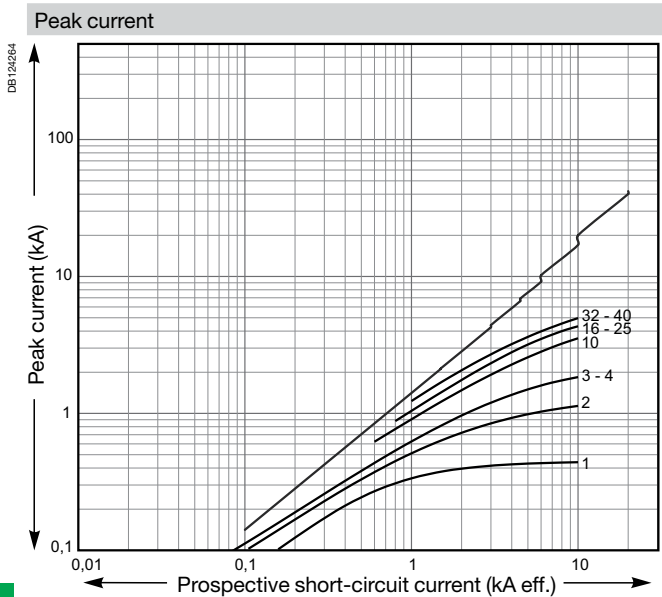
iDPN (MCB and RCBO)

1P+N / 3P / 3P+N



DPN N (MCB and RCBO)

1P+N / 3P / 3P+N

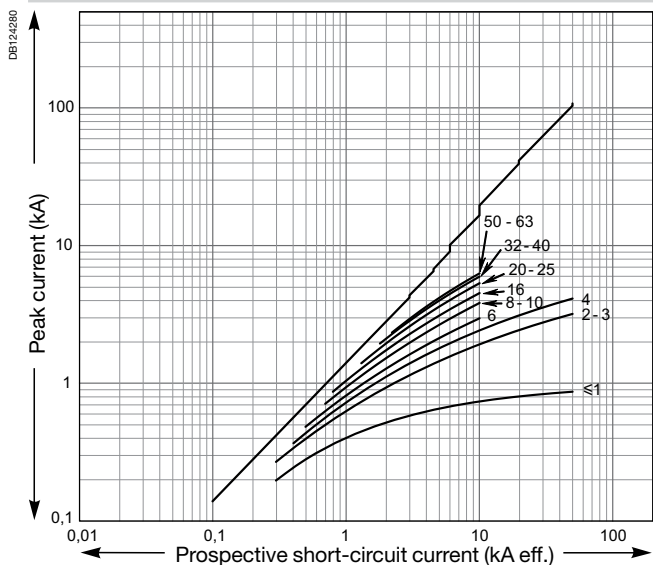


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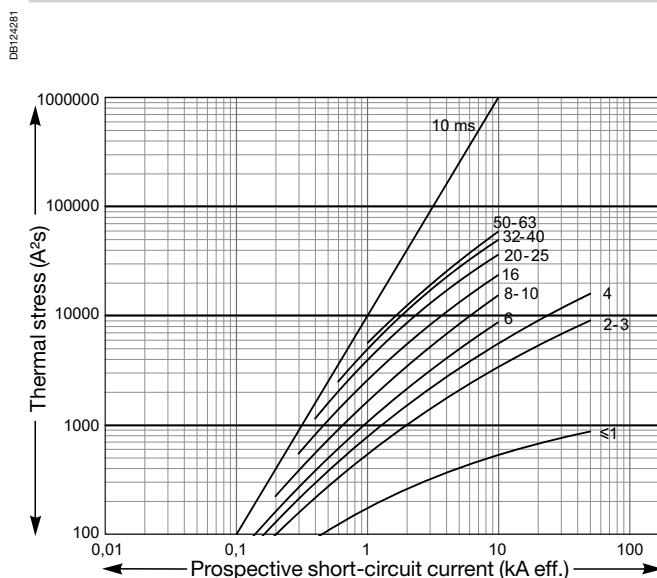
**iC60N**

1P / 1P+N / 2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



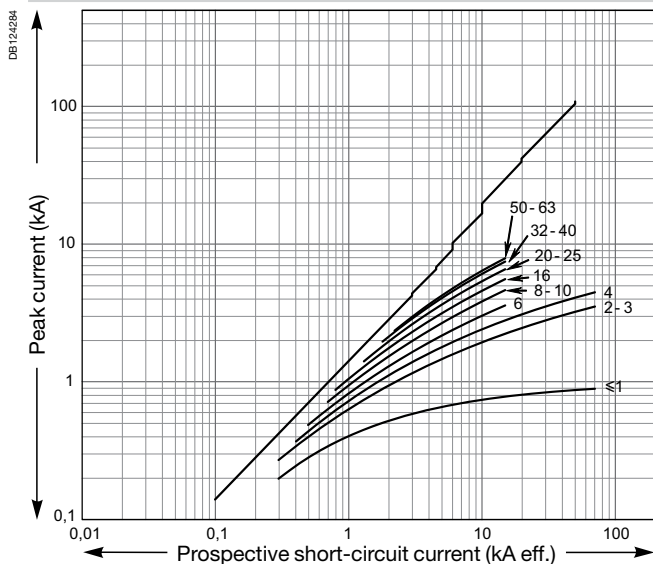
Thermal stress



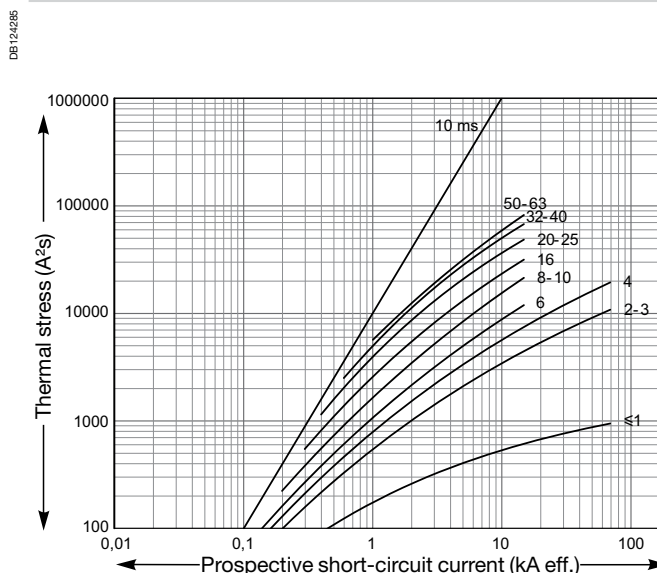
**iC60H**

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Peak current



Thermal stress

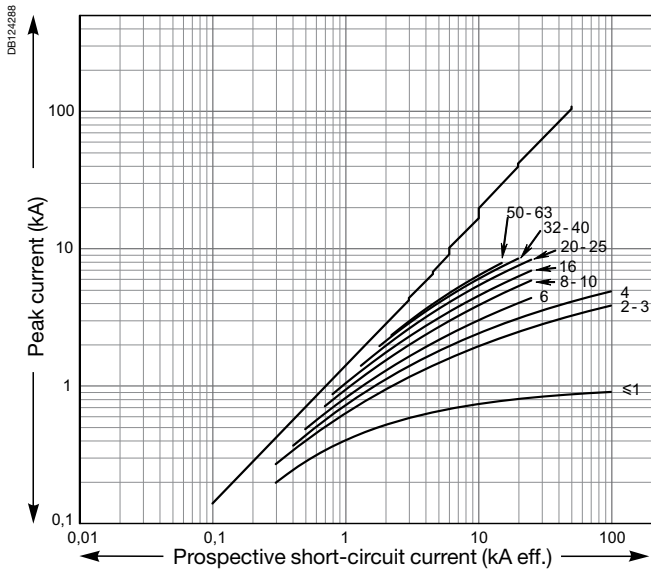


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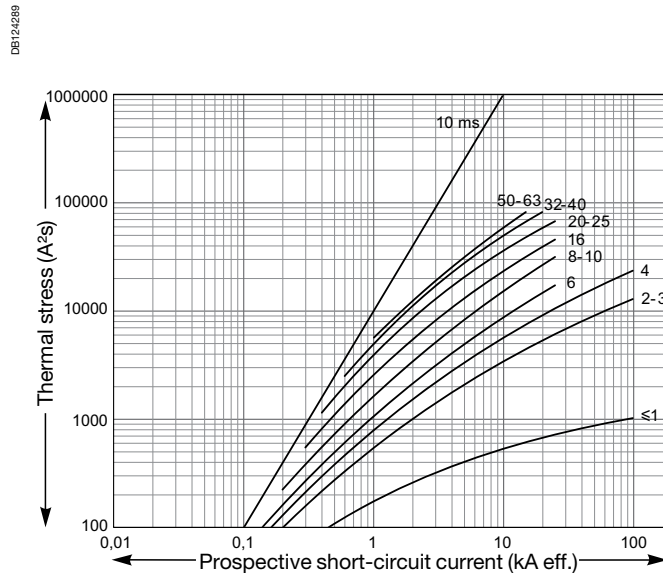
iC60L

1P / 2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



Thermal stress

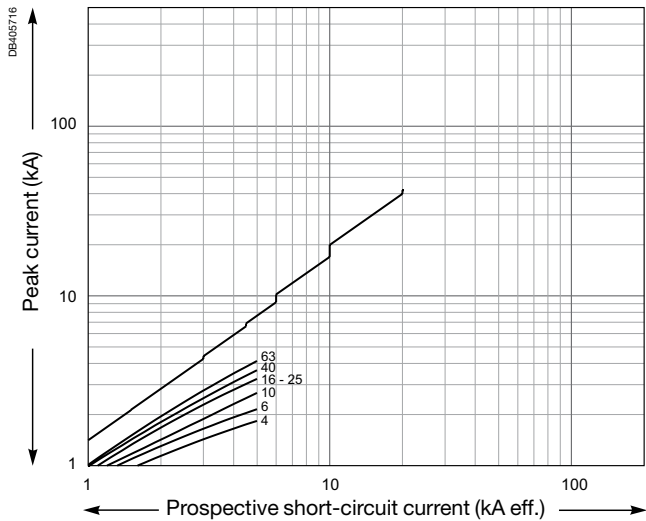


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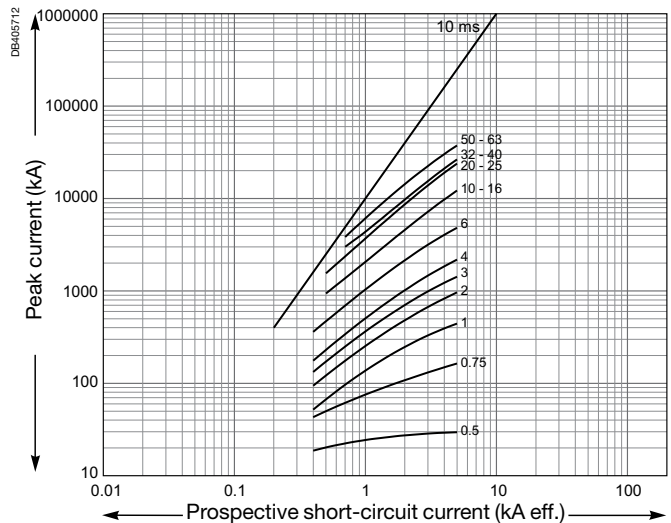
**C60a**

1P / 2P / 3P / 3P+N / 4P

Peak current



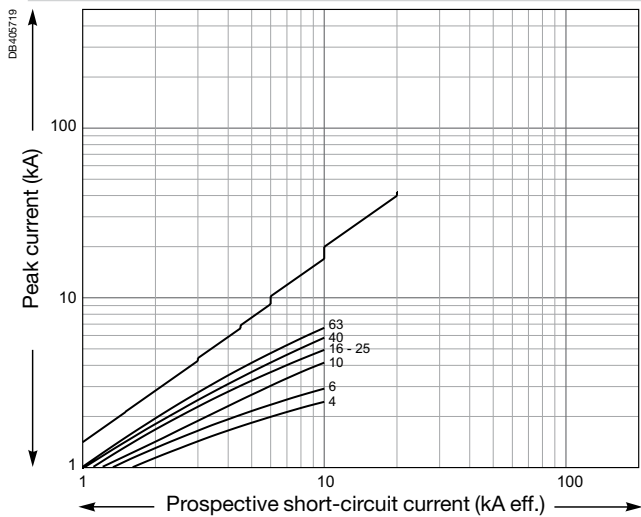
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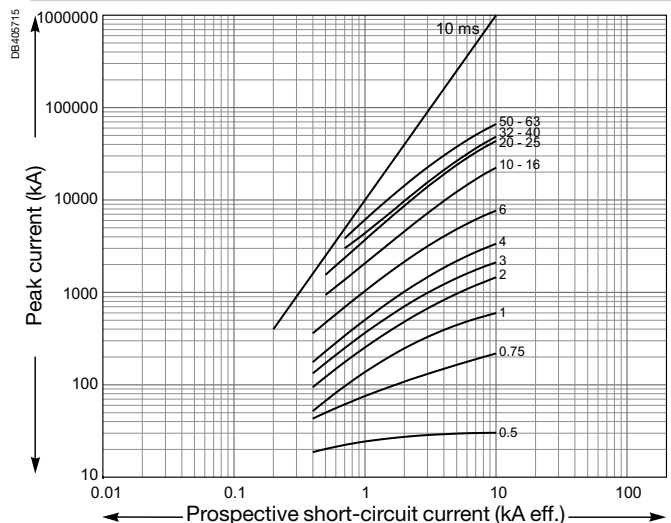
**C60N**

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Peak current



Thermal stress

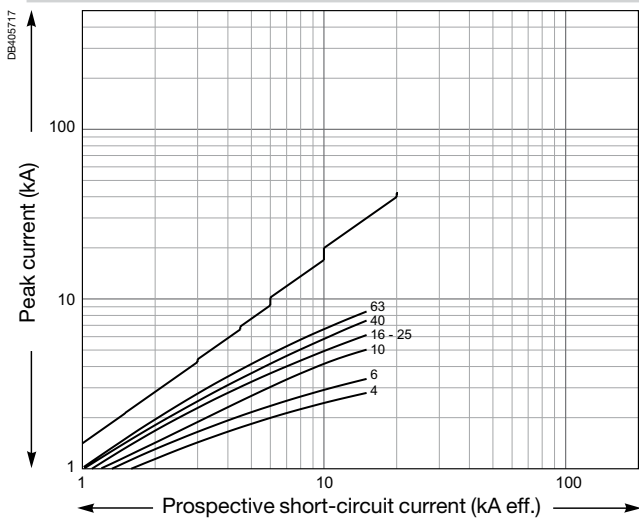


Limitation curves for network  
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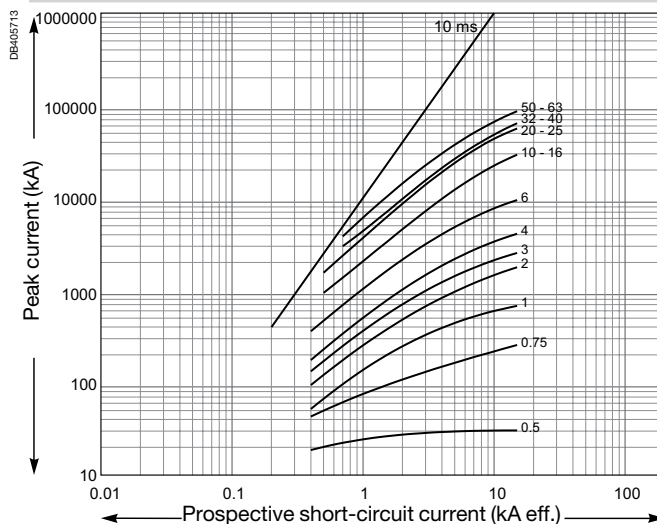
**iC60H**

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Peak current



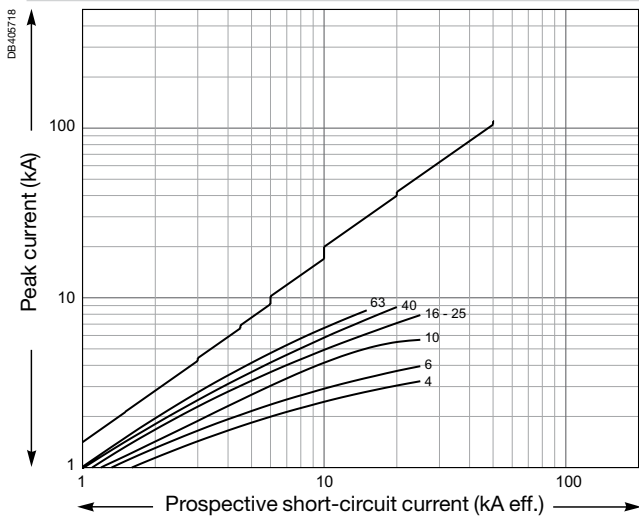
Thermal stress



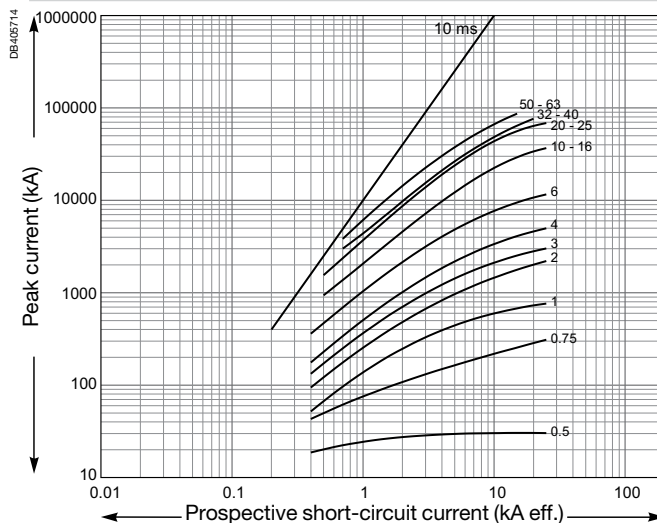
**C60L**

1P / 2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



Thermal stress

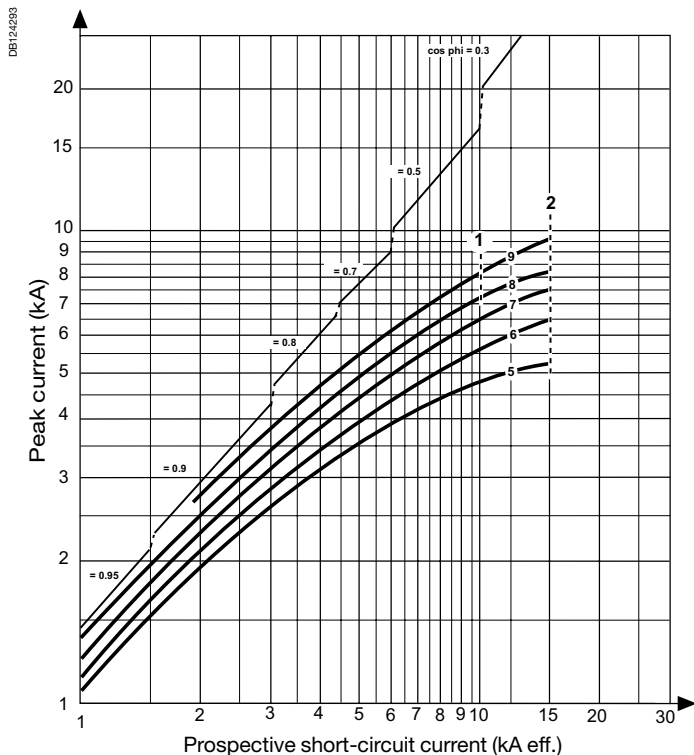


Limitation curves for network  
 U<sub>e</sub>: 380-415 V AC (Ph/N 220-240 V AC)

C120N, H

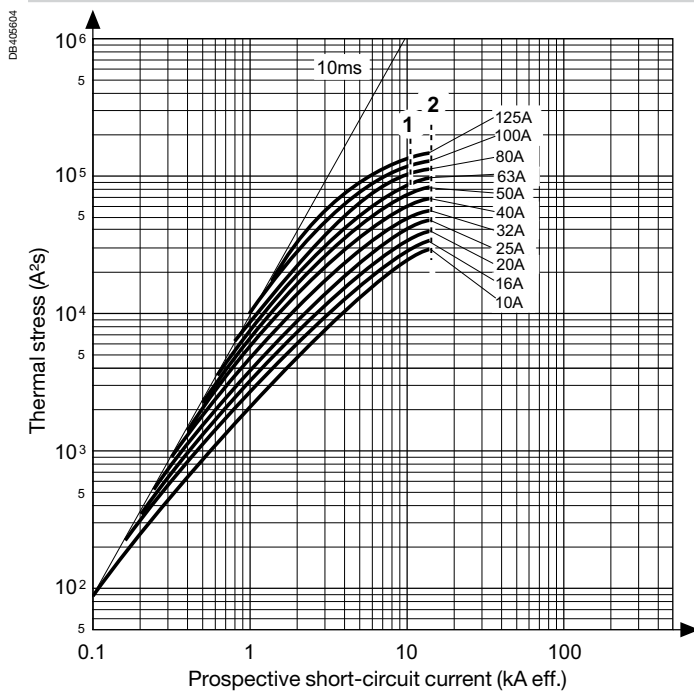
1P / 2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



- Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:
- 1: C120N
- 2: iC120H
- 5: 10-16 A
- 6: 20-25 A
- 7: 32-40 A
- 8: 50-63 A
- 9: 80-125 A

Thermal stress



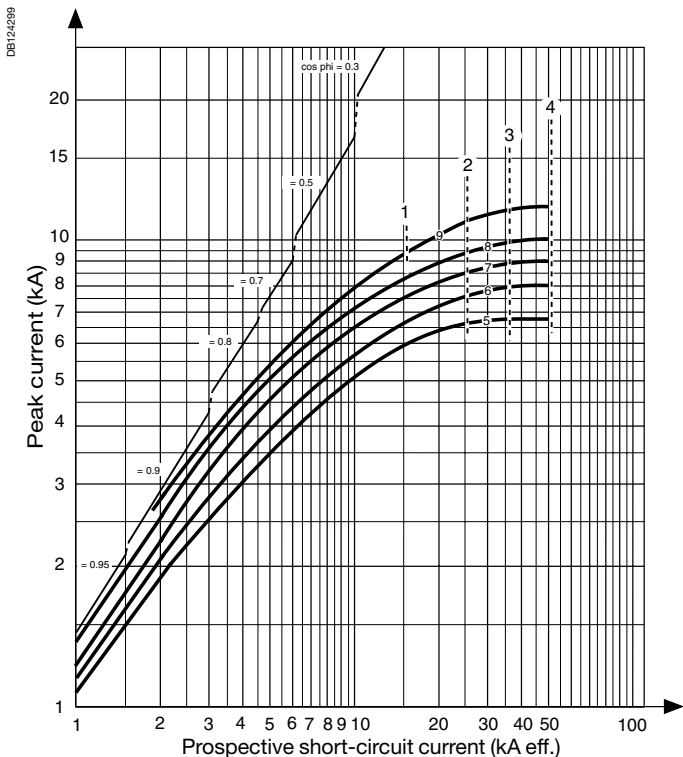
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Limitation curves for network  
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NG125a, N, H, L

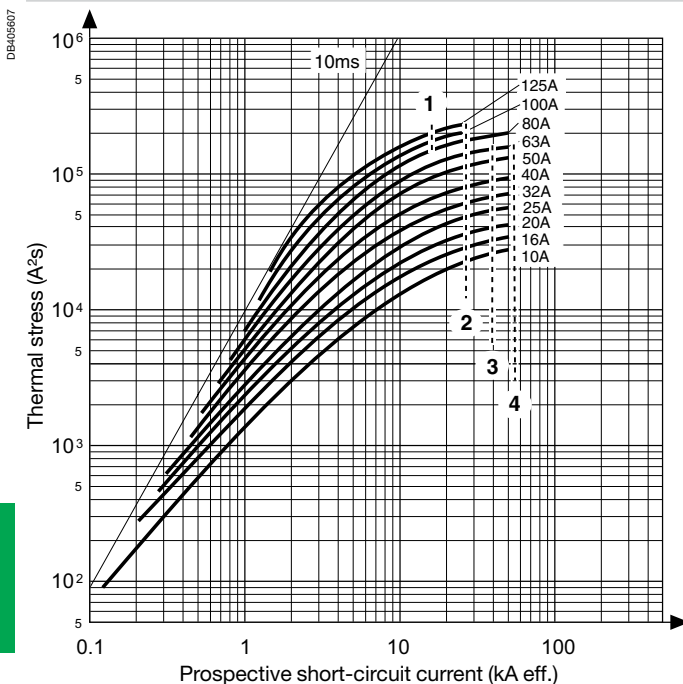
1P / 2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



- Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:
- 1: NG125a
- 2: NG125N
- 3: NG125H
- 4: NG125L
- 5: 10 -16 A
- 6: 20-25 A
- 7: 32-40 A
- 8: 50-63 A
- 9: 80-125 A

Thermal stress



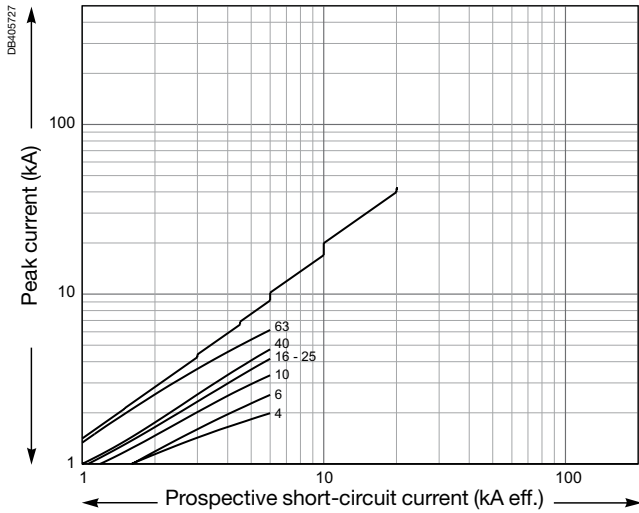
- Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:
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- 2: NG125N
- 3: NG125H
- 4: NG125L

Limitation curves for network  
Ue: 440 V AC

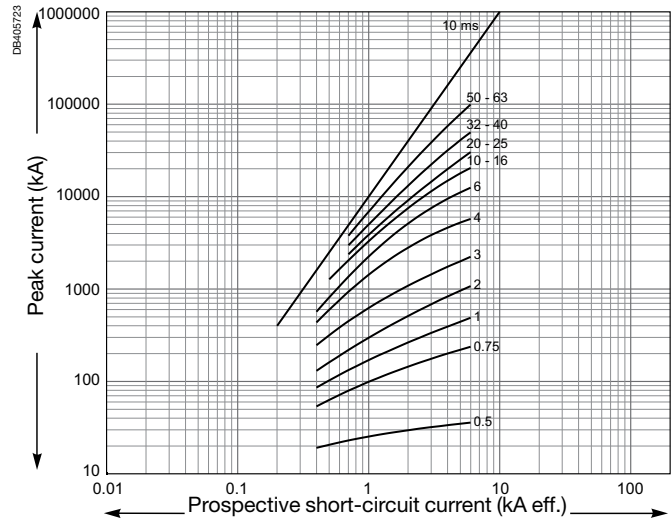
C60N

2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



Thermal stress

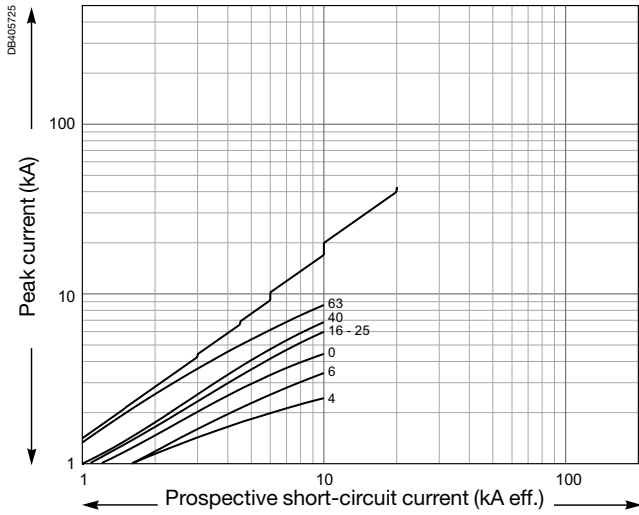


Limitation curves for network  
U<sub>e</sub>: 440 V AC

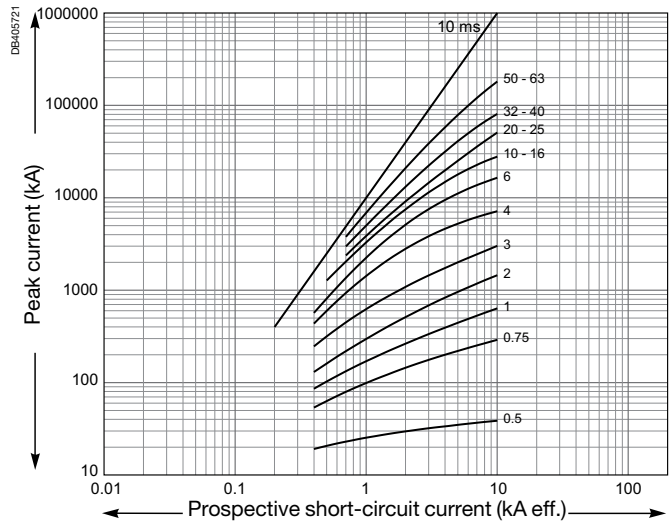
**iC60H**

2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



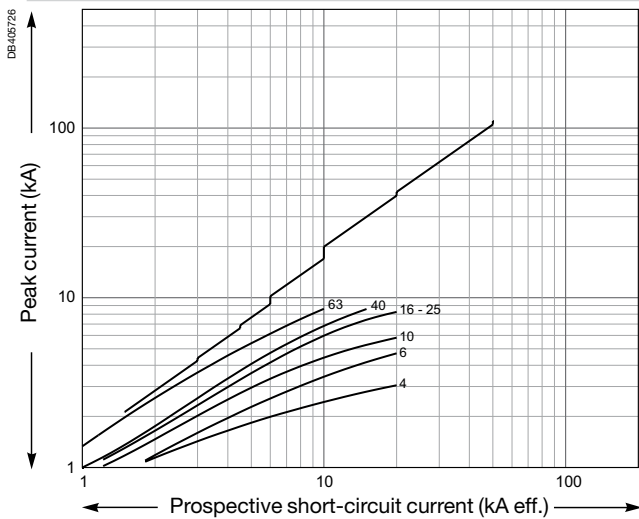
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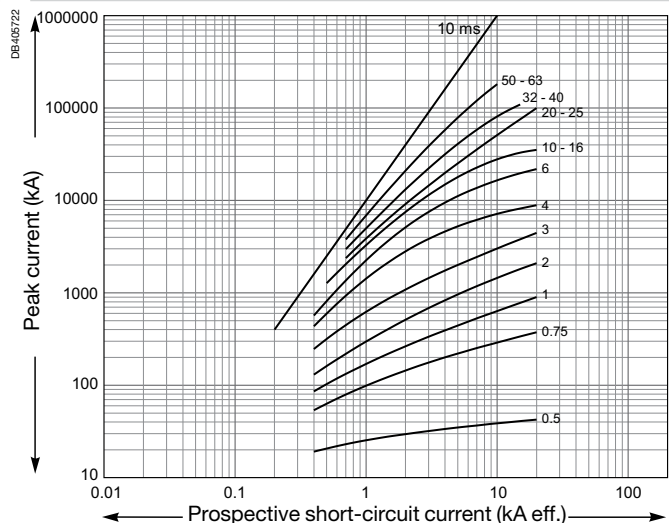
**C60L**

2P / 3P / 4P

Peak current



Thermal stress

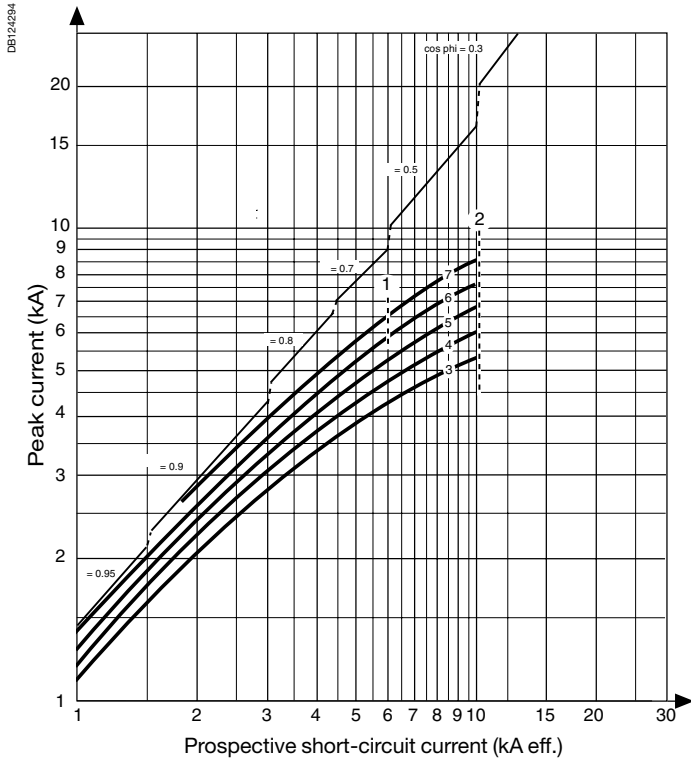


Limitation curves for network  
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C120N, H

2P / 3P / 4P

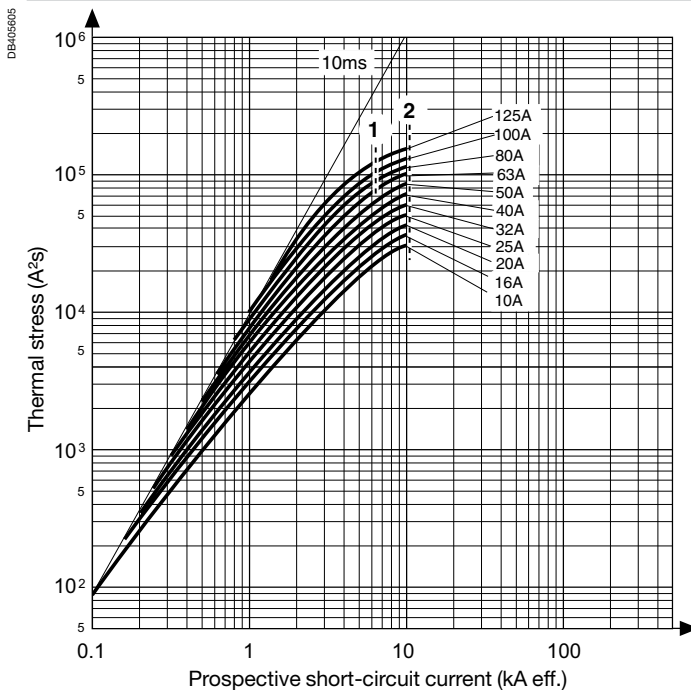
Peak current



■ Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:

- 1: C120N
- 2: iC120H
- 3: 0-16 A
- 4: 20-25 A
- 5: 32-40 A
- 6: 50-63 A
- 7: 80-125 A

Thermal stress



■ Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:

- 1: C120N
- 2: iC120H

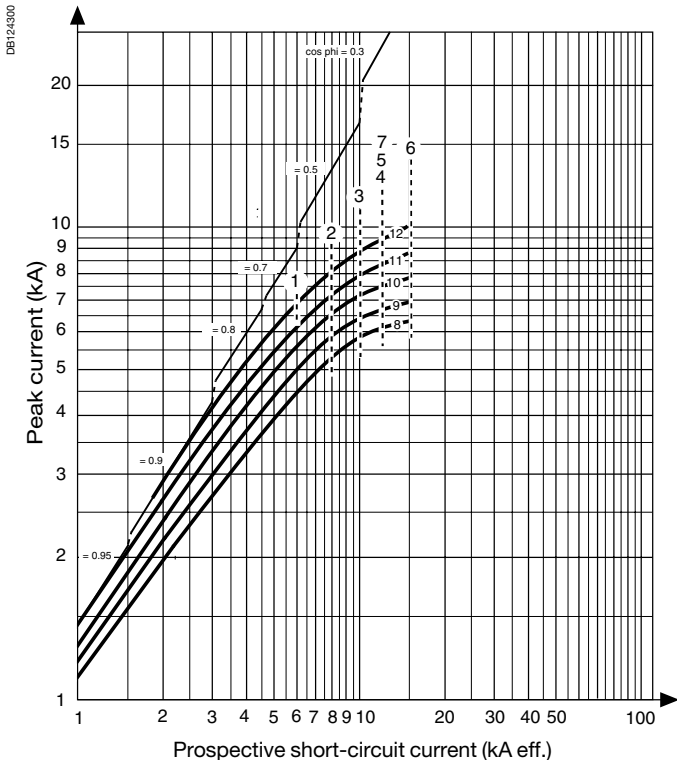
Limitation curves for network

U<sub>e</sub>: 550 V AC

NG125a, N, H, L

2P / 3P / 4P

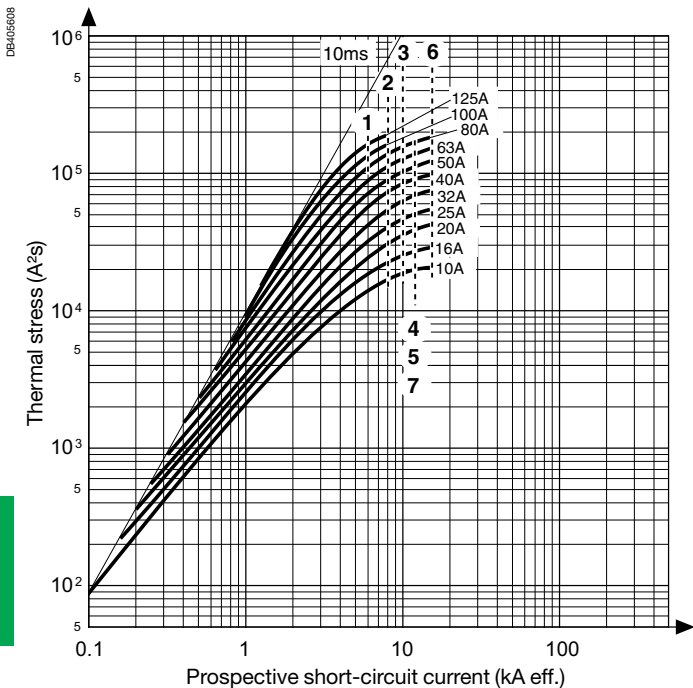
Peak current



■ Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:

- 1: NG125a 3, 4P
- 2: NG125N 2, 3, 4P
- 3: NG125H 3, 4P
- 4-5: NG125H 2P/NG125L 3, 4P
- 6: NG125L 2P
- 7: NG125 LMA 2, 3, 4P
- 8: 10 -16 A
- 9: 20-25 A
- 10: 32-40 A
- 11: 50-63 A
- 12: 80-125 A

Thermal stress



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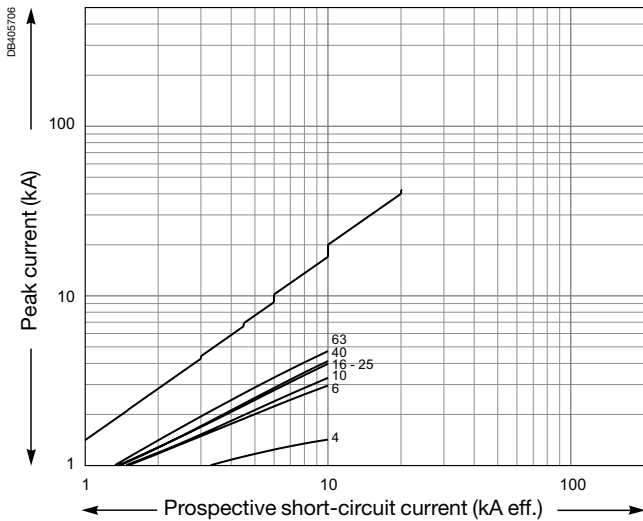
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- 3: NG125H 3, 4P
- 4-5: NG125H 2P/NG125L 3, 4P
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- 7: NG125LMA 2, 3, 4P

Limitation curves for network  
 U<sub>e</sub>: 220-240 V AC (Ph/N 110-130 V AC)

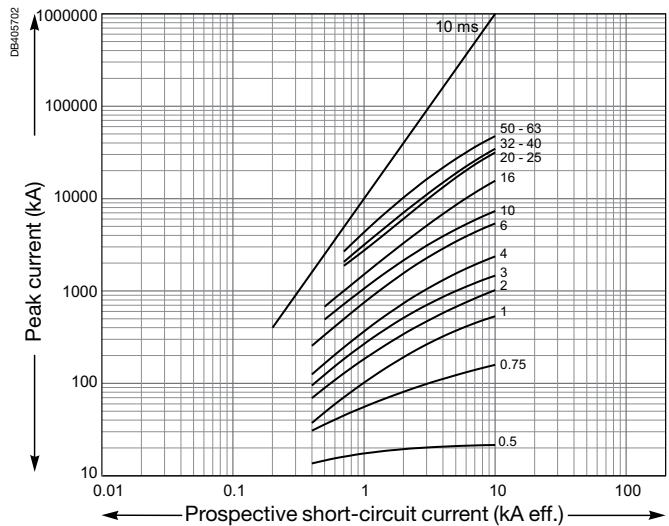
**C60a**

1P / 2P / 3P / 3P+N / 4P

Peak current



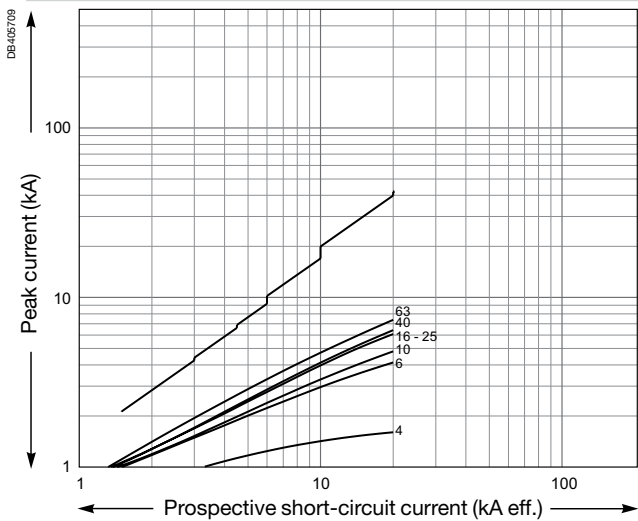
Thermal stress



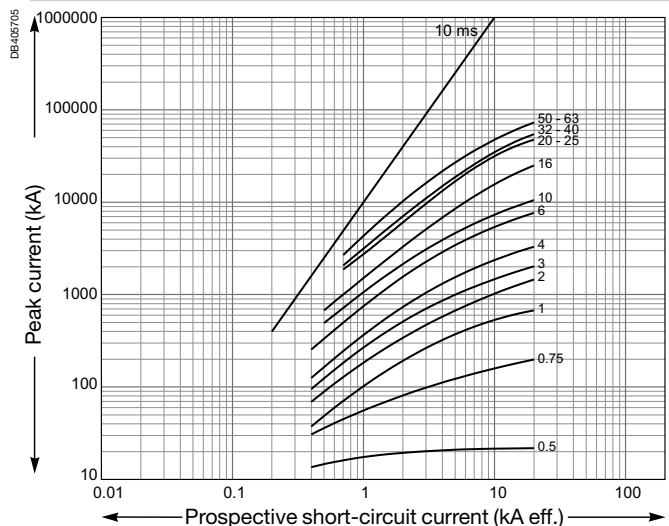
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Peak current



Thermal stress

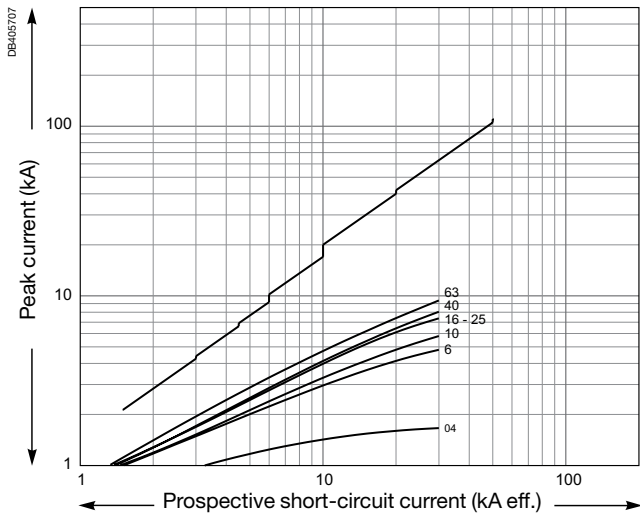


Limitation curves for network  
 U<sub>e</sub>: 220-240 V AC (Ph/N 110-130 V AC)

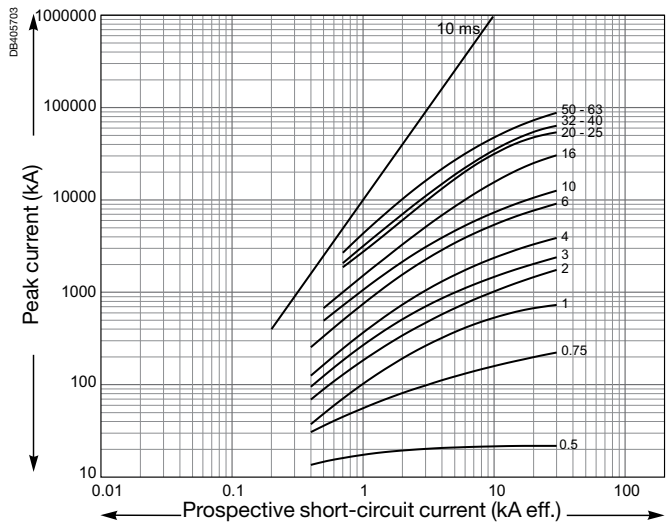
**iC60H**

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Peak current



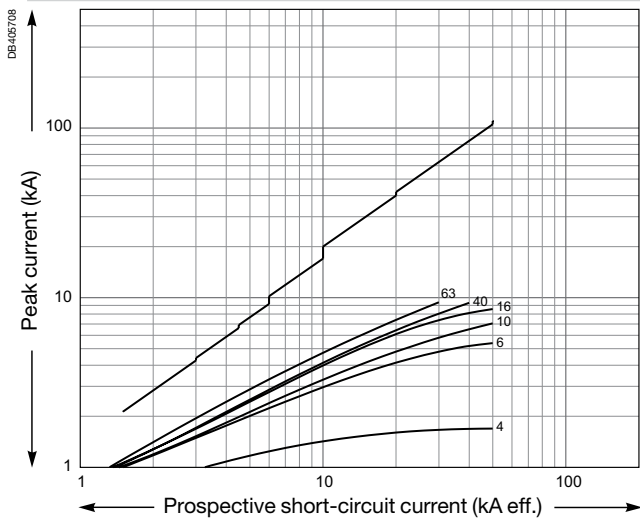
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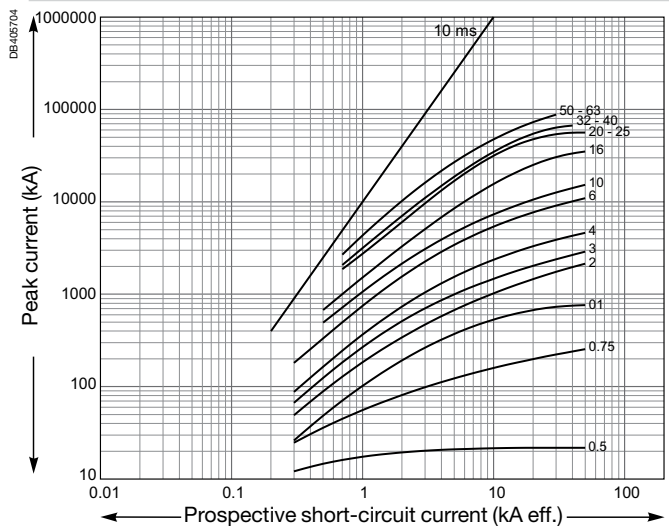
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Peak current



Thermal stress



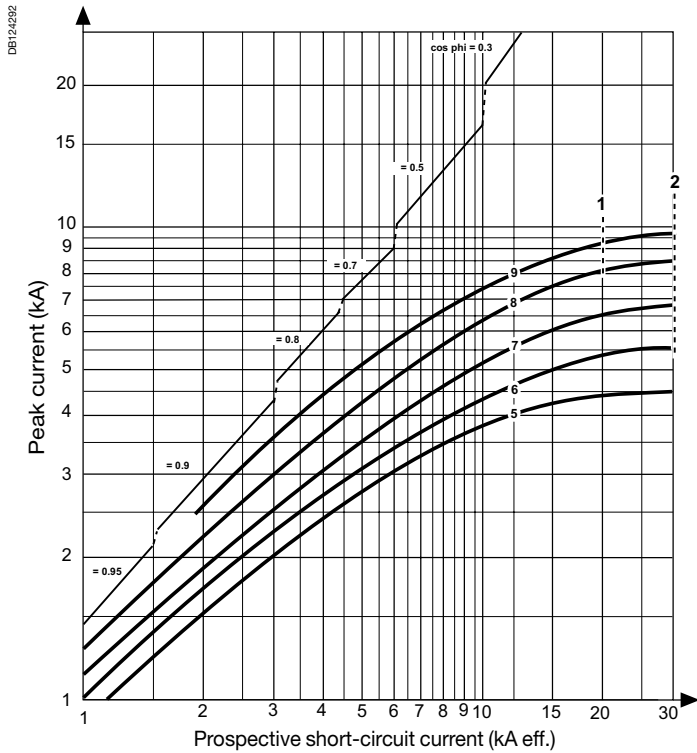
Limitation curves for network

U<sub>e</sub>: 220-240 V AC (Ph/N 110-130 V AC)

C120N, H

1P / 2P / 3P / 4P

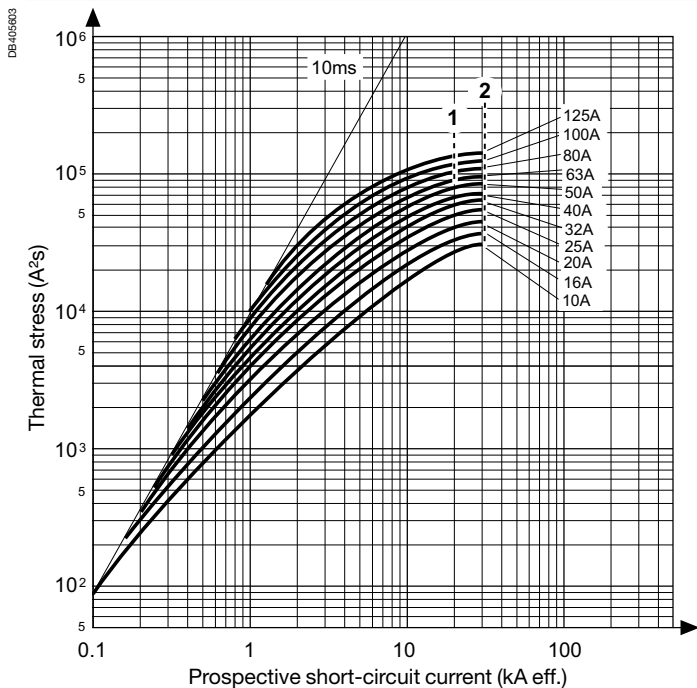
Peak current



■ Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:

- 1: C120N
- 2: iC120H
- 5: 10-16 A
- 6: 20-25 A
- 7: 32-40 A
- 8: 50-63 A
- 9: 80-125 A

Thermal stress



■ Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:

- 1: C120N
- 2: iC120H

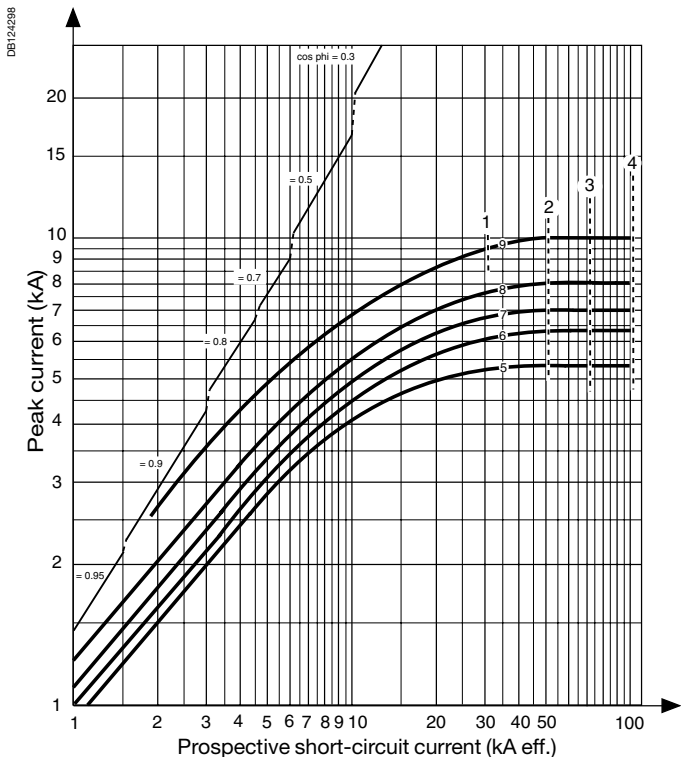
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NG125a, N, H, L

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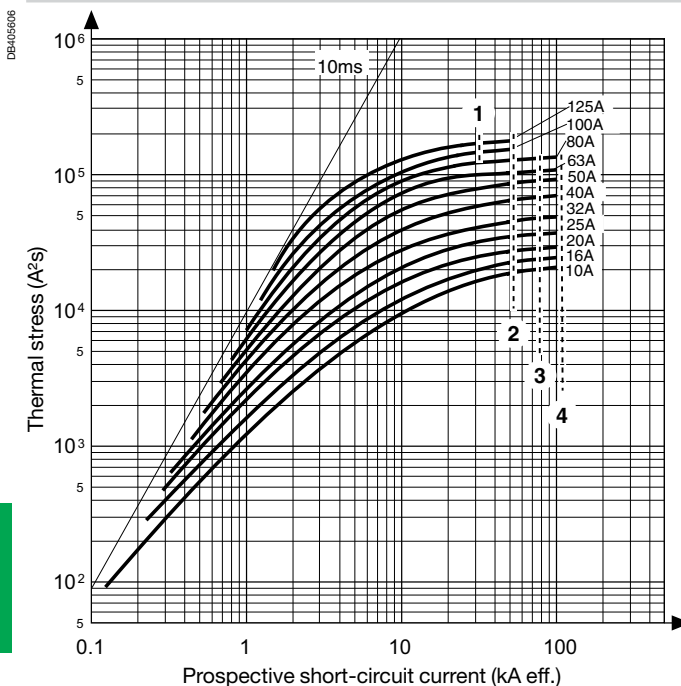
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■ Circuit breaker type in accordance with the mark:

- 1: NG125a
- 2: NG125N
- 3: NG125H
- 4: NG125L
- 5: 10-16 A
- 6: 20-25 A
- 7: 32-40 A
- 8: 50-63 A
- 9: 80-125 A

Thermal stress



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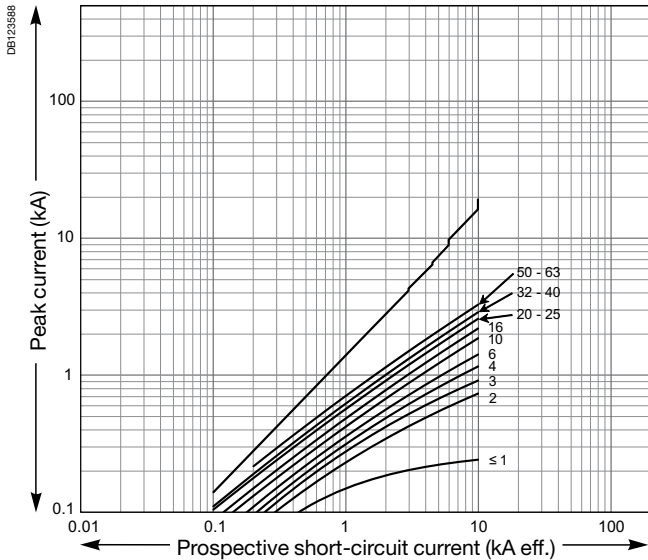
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- 2: NG125N
- 3: NG125H
- 4: NG125L

Limitation curves for direct current network

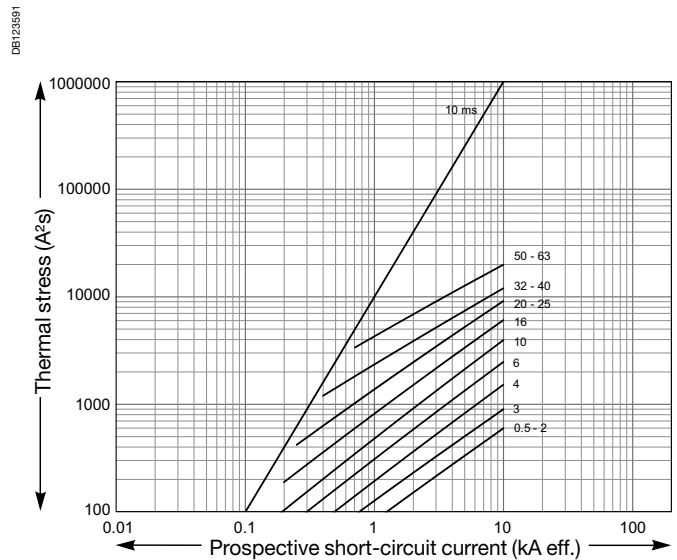
C60H-DC curve C

1P (220 V) - 2P (440 V)

Peak current



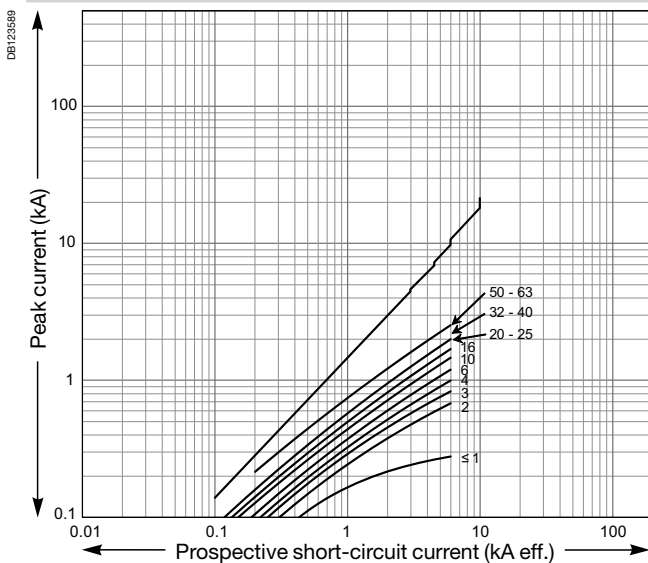
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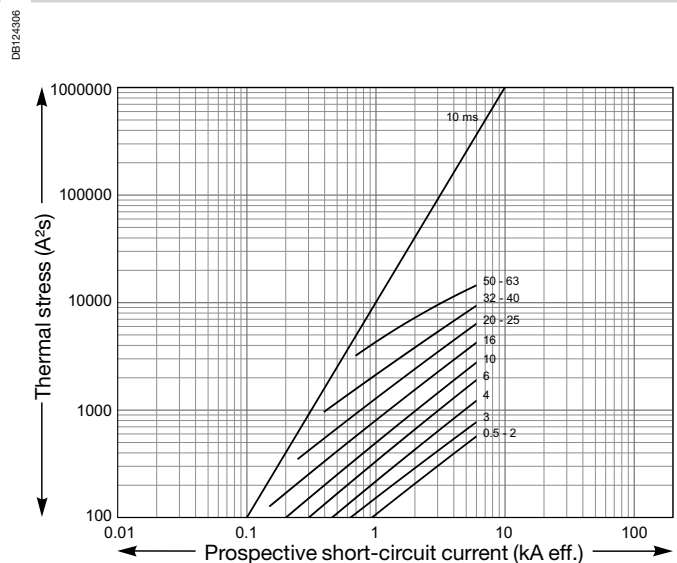
C60H-DC curve C

1P (250 V DC) - 2P (500 V DC)

Peak current



Thermal stress



# Circuit breakers for direct current applications

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

### Typical applications

Direct current has been used for a long time and in many fields. It offers major advantages, in particular immunity to electrical interference. Moreover, direct-current installations are now simpler, because they benefit from the development of power supplies with electronic converters and batteries.

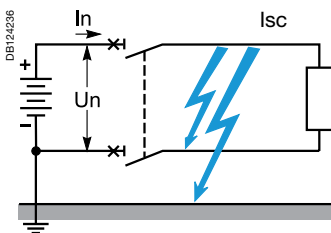
- Communication or measurement network:
  - 48 V DC switched telephone network,
  - 4-20 mA current loop.
- Electrical supply for industrial PLCs:
  - PLCs and peripheral devices (24 or 48 V DC).
- Auxiliary uninterruptible direct current power supply:
  - relays or electronic protection units for MV cubicles,
  - switchgear opening / closing trip units,
  - LV control and monitoring relays,
  - indicator lights,
  - circuit-breaker or on/off switch motor drives,
  - power contactor coils,
  - control/monitoring and supervision devices with communication that can be powered via a separate uninterruptible power supply.
- 24 to 48 V DC wind application:
  - isolated homes,
  - cottages, bungalows, mountain refuges,
  - pumps, street lighting,
  - measuring instruments, data acquisition,
  - telecommunication relays,
  - industrial applications.

### Types of direct current networks

According to the types of DC networks illustrated below, we can identify the risks to the installation and define the best means of protection.

Earthed		Isolated from earth	
I: Earthed (or grounded) polarity (in this case negative)		II: Earthed mid-point	III: Isolated polarities
1 pole (1P isolation)	2 poles (2P isolation)	2 poles	2 poles
Worst-case faults			
Fault A and fault B (if only one polarity is protected)		Fault B	Double fault A and D or C and E

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For further information on the types of networks and the faults that characterise them, refer to the direct current circuit breaker (LV) selection guide, 220E2100.indd.

For all these configurations, we propose a single protection solution that depends only on the requirement for the nominal current  $I_n$  and the short-circuit current  $I_{sc}$  at the installation point concerned.

The second important point in our solution is the fact that the protection is implemented by non-polarised circuit breakers that can operate efficiently, whatever the direction of the direct current.

# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

### 24 - 48 V direct current protection solution

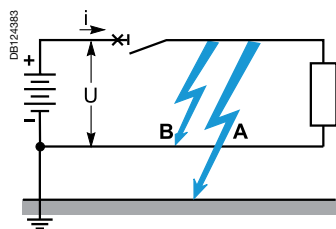
The performance levels shown in the tables below correspond to the most critical faults according to the network configuration.

- Breaking on one pole.
- Fault between polarity and earth (Fault A).

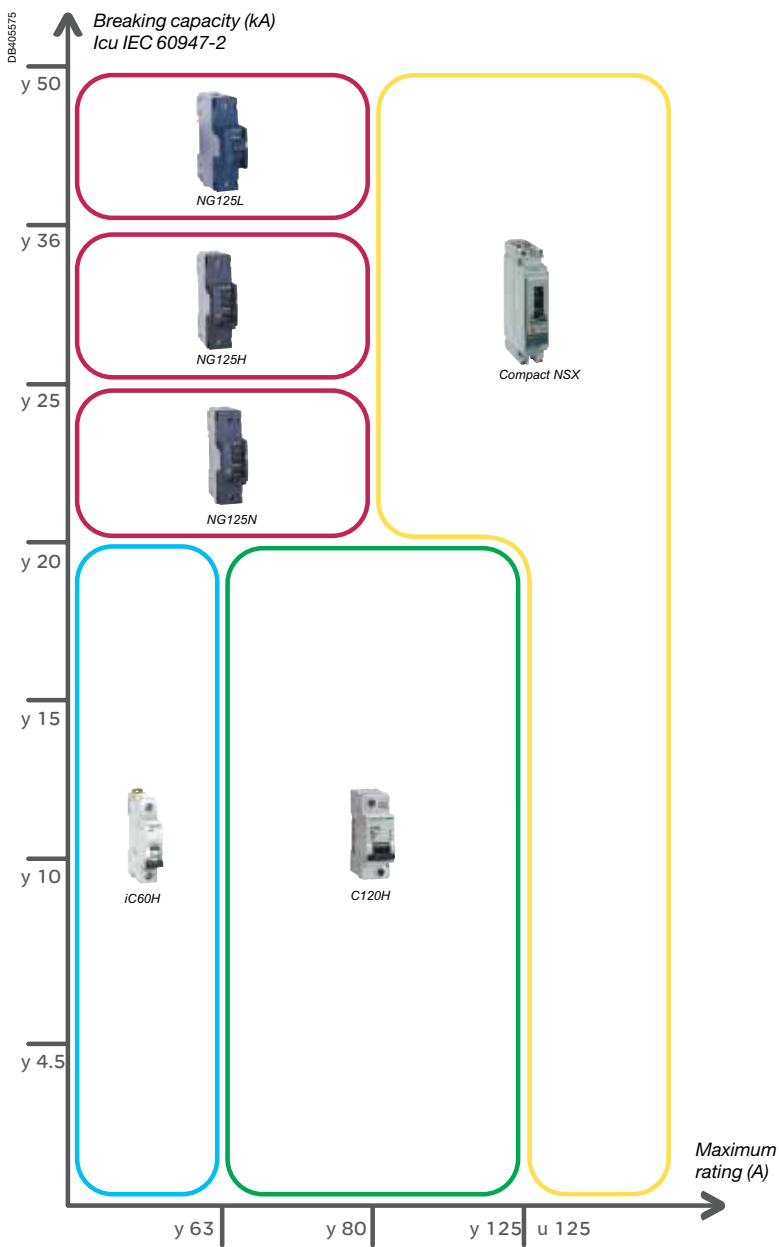
### Standard solution depending on the network and the requirements of the installation (In / Isc)

In addition to the parameters shown on the following pages, the tables below illustrate our range of circuit breakers according to the nominal current of the load and short-circuit current at the point of installation.

- Circuit breaker rating.
- Breaking capacity of the circuit breaker.



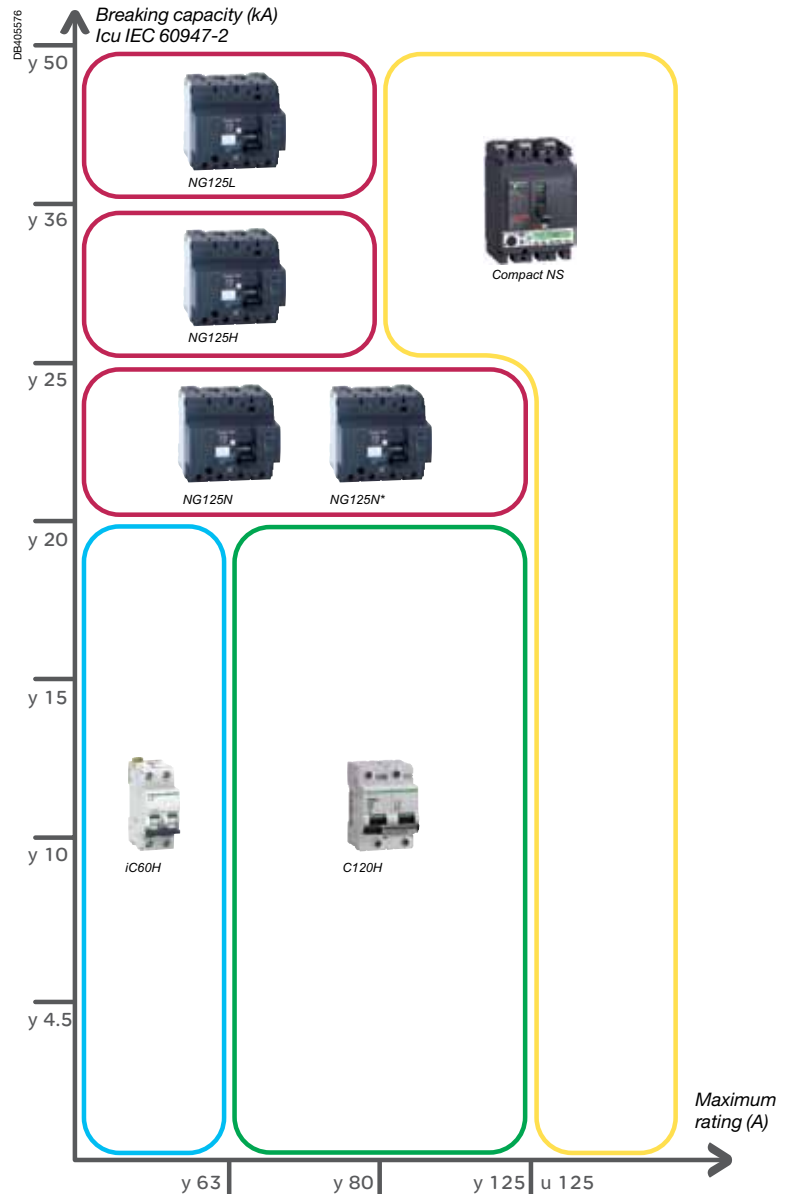
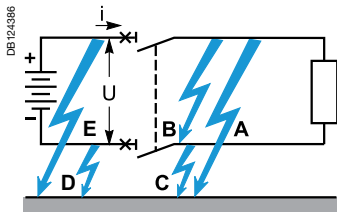
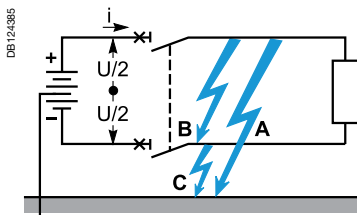
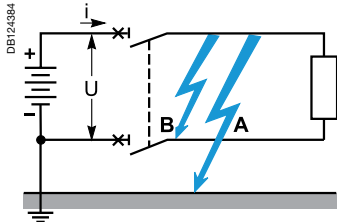
### 1 pole isolation solution (1P)



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## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

### 2 poles isolation solution (2P)

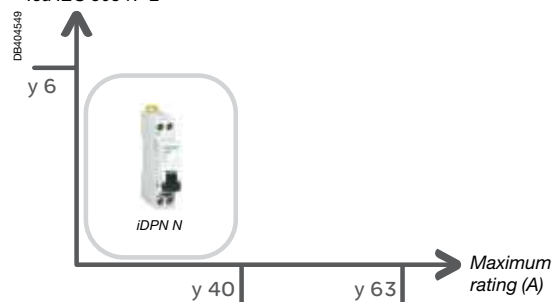
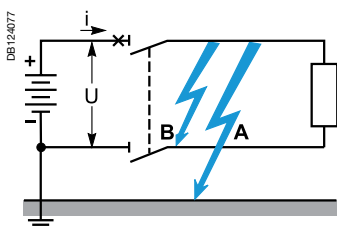


(\*) 3P NG125N connected in a two-pole configuration to reach 125 A (1P / 2P NG125 has a maximum rating of 80 A).

### 1 pole isolation solution (1P+N)

Specific use of the iDPN range in a network with one polarity earthed and both poles isolated: compact solution (1P+N in 18 mm).

Breaking capacity (kA)  
Icu IEC 60947-2



(\*) iC60a breaking capacity Icu = 10 kA.

### Constraints related to "direct current" applications

In direct current, inductors and capacitors do not disturb the operation of the installation in steady state. Capacitors are charged and inductors no longer oppose changes in the current.

However, they create transient phenomena when the circuit opens or closes, during which time the current varies. Actual loads have both characteristics and generate oscillatory phenomena.

### Type of load

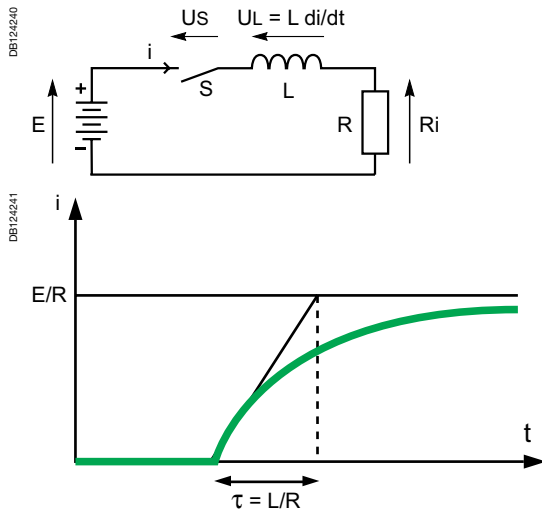
#### Inductive load

An inductive load will tend to lengthen the current interrupt or establishment time, because the inductance  $L$  then opposes the change in the current ( $L di/dt$ ).

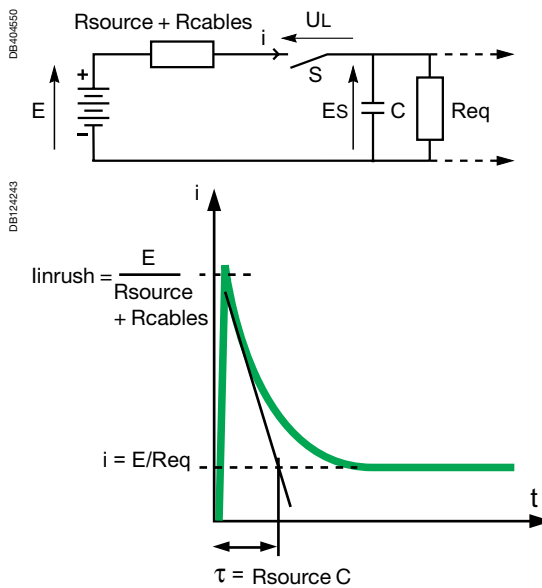
The transient phenomenon will mainly be characterised by a time constant imposed by the load and whose value corresponds approximately to the interrupt or closing time that the switchgear has to withstand. In addition, during the interrupt time, the switchgear must be able to withstand the additional energy stored in the inductor in steady state.

An inductive load therefore requires particular attention with respect to its time constant.

A low value (typically < 5 ms) facilitates interruption.



Inductive load



Capacitive load

#### Capacitive load

During a closing operation, a capacitive load will cause an inrush current due to the load on the capacitor, virtually under short-circuit condition at the beginning of the phenomenon.

On opening, it will tend to discharge. The time constant is generally very low (< 1 ms) and its effect is secondary with respect to the inrush current. A capacitive load will require particular attention to the inrush or discharge current surges.

# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

### Time constant L/R

When a short-circuit occurs across the terminals of a direct current circuit, the current increases from the operating current ( $< I_n$ ) to the short-circuit current  $I_{sc}$  during a time depending on the resistance  $R$  and the inductance  $L$  of the short-circuited loop.

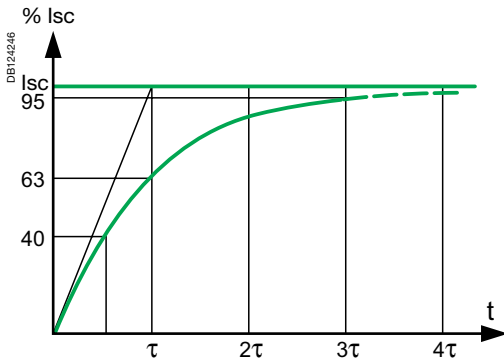
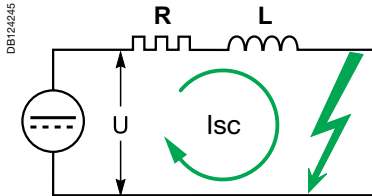
The equation that governs the current in this loop is:  $U = Ri + Ldi/dt$ .

A short-circuit current is established (neglecting  $I_n$  with respect to  $I_{sc}$ ) by the equation:

$$i = I_{sc} (1 - \exp(-t/\tau)),$$

where  $\tau = L/R$  is the time constant used to establish the short-circuit.

In practice, after a time  $t = 3\tau$  the short-circuit is considered to be established, because the value of  $\exp(-3) = 0.05$  is negligible compared to 1. The lower the corresponding time constant (e.g. battery circuit), the faster a short-circuit is established.



L/R	Description	DC applications
2 ms	Very fast short-circuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Photovoltaic applications</li> </ul>
5 ms	Fast short-circuit established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Resistive or slightly inductive circuits:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> indicator light</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> trip units (MN, MX)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> motor armatures</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> battery charger/uninterruptible power supply (UPS)</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Capacitive circuits: electronic controller</li> </ul>
15 ms	Standardised value used in standard IEC 60947-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inductive circuits:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> electromagnetic coil</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> contactor coil</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> motor inductor</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
30 ms	Slower short-circuit established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Highly inductive circuits:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> electromagnetic coil</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> contactor coil</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> motor inductor</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

In general, the system time constant is calculated under worst case conditions, across the terminals of the generator.

# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

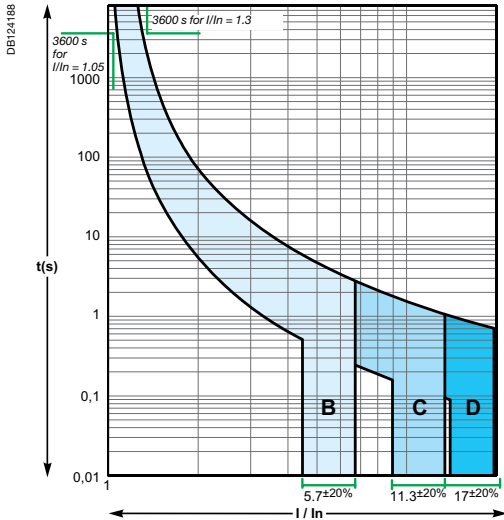
## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

### Tripping curves

We can choose our solution according to the inrush currents generated by our loads, in the same way as for alternating current. In direct current, the same thermal tripping curves are obtained as in alternating current. The only difference is that the magnetic thresholds are offset by a coefficient  $\sqrt{2}$  compared to the curves obtained in alternating current.

Characteristics of the various curves and their applications:

Curves	Magnetic thresholds		DC applications
	AC	DC	
Z	2.4 to 3.6 In	3.4 to 5 In	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resistive loads</li> <li>Loads with electronic circuits</li> </ul>
B	3.2 to 4.8 In	4.5 to 6.8 In	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motor inductor: starting current 2 to 4 In</li> <li>Battery charger/Uninterruptible power supply (UPS)</li> </ul>
C	6.4 to 9.6 In	9.05 to 13.6 In	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electronic controller</li> </ul>
D et K	9.6 to 14.4 In	13.6 to 20.4 In	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electromagnetic coil: inrush overvoltage 10 to 20 Un</li> <li>LV relay</li> <li>Trip units (MN, MX)</li> <li>Indicator light</li> <li>PLCs (industrial programmable logic controllers)</li> </ul>

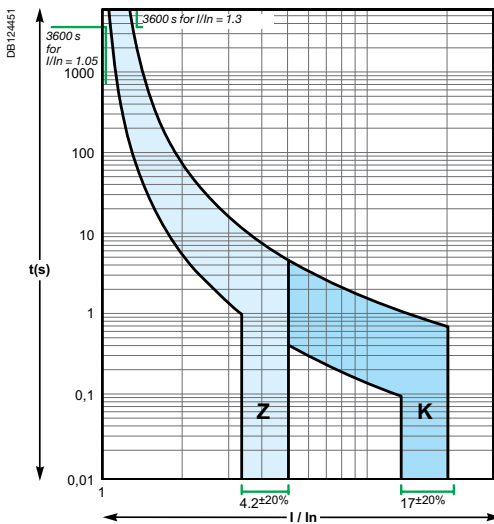


Curves B, C, D, ratings 6 A to 63 A

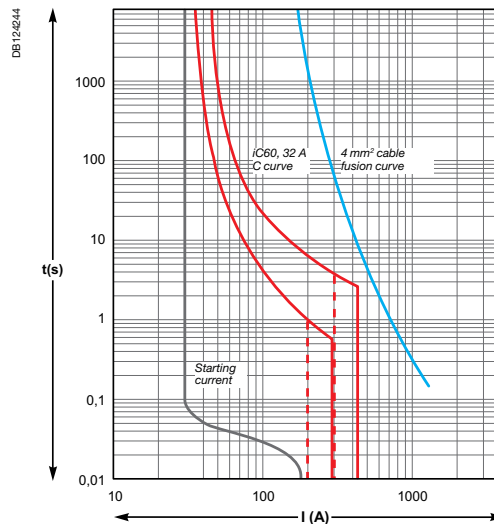
The figures opposite are iC60 tripping curves showing DC magnetic thresholds and normative limits

### Example

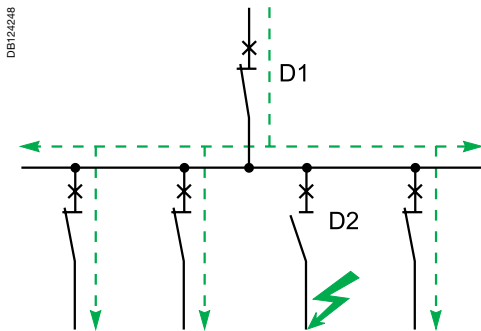
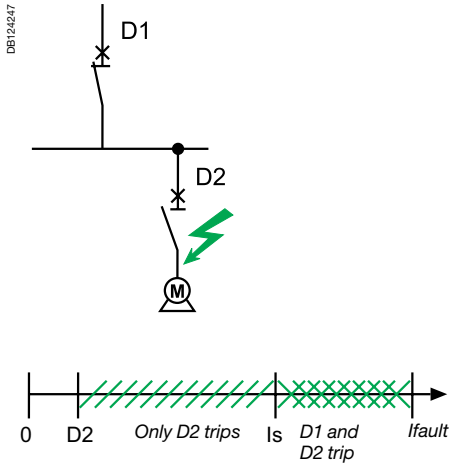
Protection of the 4 mm<sup>2</sup> cable supplying a load at In = 30 A with a 32 A rating and a tripping curve that allows the starting current for this load to be absorbed.



Curves Z, K, ratings 6 A to 63 A



Curve C, rating 32 A (AC magnetic thresholds in dotted lines)



### Continuity of service of the solutions

#### Discrimination of the direct current protection devices

Discrimination is a key element that must be taken into account right from the design stage of a low-voltage installation to allow continuity of service of the electrical power.

Discrimination involves coordination between two circuit breakers connected in series, so that in the event of a fault, only the circuit breaker positioned immediately upstream of the fault trips. A discrimination current  $I_s$  is defined as:

- $I_{\text{fault}} < I_s$ : only D2 removes the fault, discrimination ensured,
- $I_{\text{fault}} > I_s$ : both circuit breakers may trip, discrimination not ensured.

Discrimination may be partial or total, up to the breaking capacity of the downstream circuit breaker. To ensure total discrimination, the characteristics of the upstream device must be higher than those of the downstream one.

The same principles apply to designing both direct current and alternating current installations. Only the limit currents change when direct current is used.

Once again, we find the same concepts of discrimination:

- **total**: up to the breaking capacity of the downstream device. Our tests have been performed at up to 25 kA or 50 kA depending on the breaking capacity of the devices in question.
- **partial**: indication of the discrimination limit current  $I_s$ . Discrimination is ensured below this value; above this value, the upstream device participates in the breaking process,
- **none**: no discrimination ensured, the upstream and downstream circuit breakers will trip.

For further information about the discrimination concept for protection devices in general, refer to technical supplement 557E4300, "Discrimination of modular circuit breakers".

#### Total discrimination solutions

In the following tables, we offer you solutions that favour continuity of service (total discrimination between circuit breakers), for different short-circuit currents.

Total discrimination: 20 kA

		Upstream		Curve C		Time constant (L/R) = 15 ms				
In (A)		iC60H				iC120H		NS		
		10 - 16	20 - 25	32	40	50 - 63	80	100	125	≥ 100
<b>Downstream</b>										
iC60H	≤ 3	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
Curves B,C	4		T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
	6				T	T	T	T	T	T
	10						T	T	T	T
	13						T	T	T	T
	16 to 25						T	T	T	T
	32							T	T	T
	40								T	T
	50 - 63								T	T

Total discrimination: 36 kA

		Upstream		Curve C		Time constant (L/R) = 15 ms				
In (A)		NG125H		NS						
		80		≥ 100						
<b>Downstream</b>										
NG125H	10	T			T					
Curves B,C	16 to 63				T					

Total discrimination: 50 kA

		Upstream		Curve C		Time constant (L/R) = 15 ms				
In (A)		NG125L		NS						
		80		≥ 100						
<b>Downstream</b>										
NG125L	10	T			T					
Curves B,C	16 to 63				T					

**T** Total discrimination.  
 No discrimination.

# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

### Coordination with loads

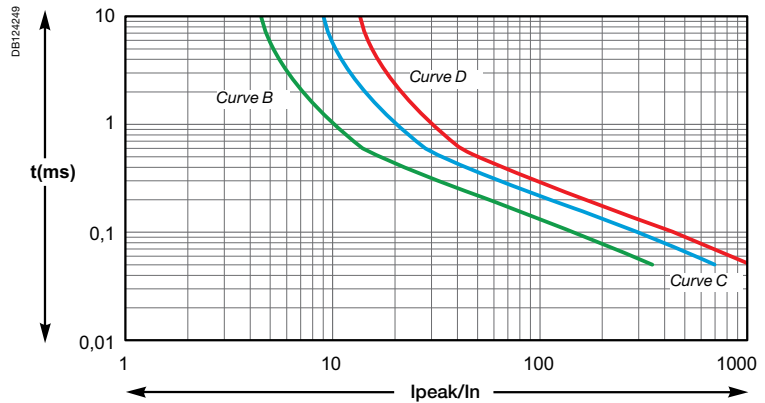
As seen above, the circuit-breaker characteristics chosen depend on the type of load downstream of the installation.

The rating depends on the size of the cables to be protected and the curves depend on the load inrush current.

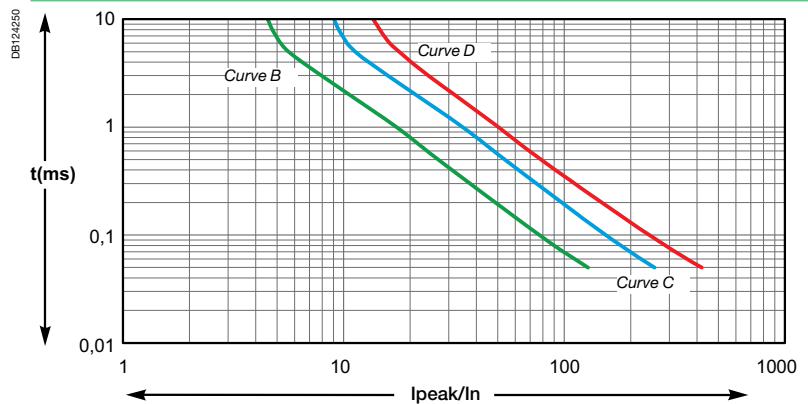
### Product selection according to the load inrush current

When certain "capacitive" loads are switched on, very high inrush currents appear during the first milliseconds of operation. The following graphs show the average DC non-tripping curves of our products for this time range (50  $\mu$ s to 10 ms).

#### iC60



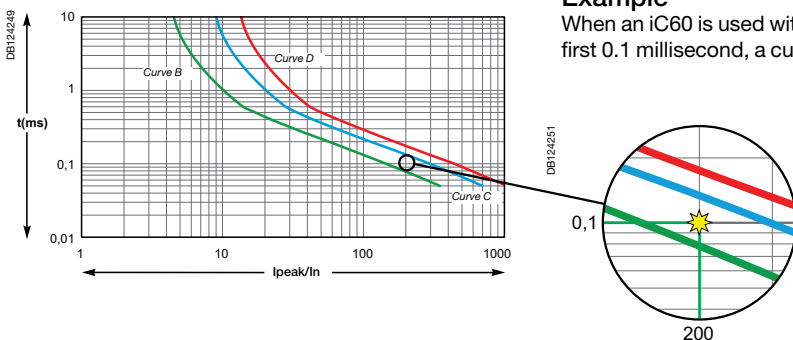
#### NG125 / C120



This information allows us to select the most appropriate product, according to the load specifications: curve and rating.

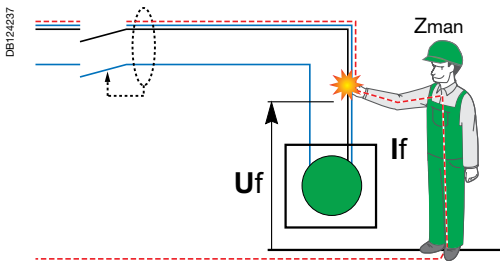
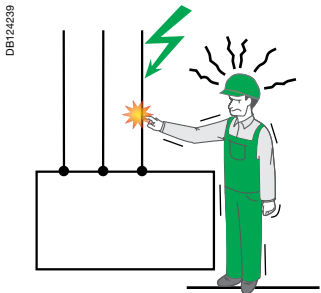
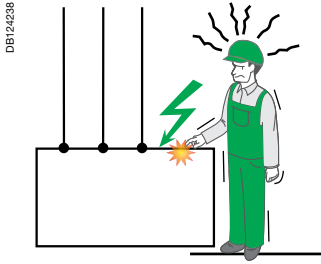
### Example

When an iC60 is used with a load with current peaks in the order of 200  $I_n$  during the first 0.1 millisecond, a curve C or D product must be installed.



# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications



Standards: IEC 60479-2, NF C 15100, IEC 60755.

### Personal protection

Personal protection (earth-leakage protection) is not mandatory for this voltage range (24-48 V DC).

In fact, according to the standards currently in force, the minimum ventricular fibrillation current  $I_f$  for human beings is in the order of 25 mA for alternating current (50 Hz), whereas for direct current, it is more than 50 mA.

The table below shows the data according to the standards and conditions:

Environment		Voltage specifications	
		AC	DC
Dry environment	$U_f = Z \times I_f$	50 V	100 V
Wet environment	$U_f = Z \times I_f$	25 V	50 V

With  $Z$  corresponding to the impedance of the human body in the different types of environment,  $I_f$  being the current passing through the body and  $U_f$  the minimum contact voltage required to reach the danger current.

Under normal operating conditions, this voltage range (< 50 V) is therefore not dangerous to human beings.

### Examples of applications

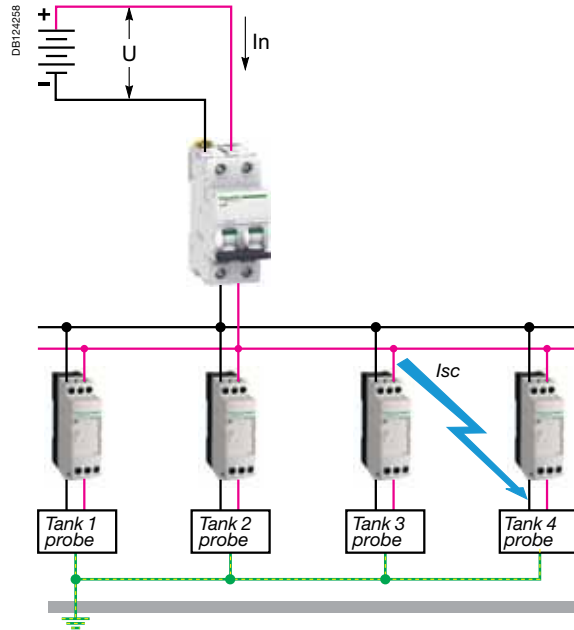
#### Industrial applications

Monitoring of agro-food tanks with 24 V DC converters for probes and other sensors

- Isolated network:
- $I_{sc} = 20 \text{ kA}$ ,
- $I_n = 40 \text{ A}$ .

#### Solution

iC60H 2P 40 A + 24 V converters

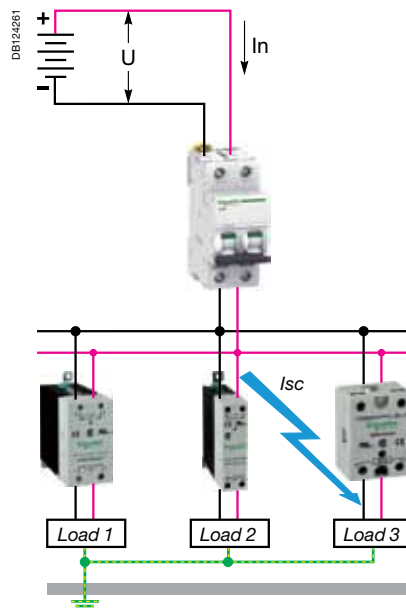


Control of industrial process measurement by 12/24/48 V DC control

- Isolated network:
- $I_{sc} = 20 \text{ kA}$ ,
- $I_n = 40 \text{ A}$ .

#### Solution

iC60H 2P 40 A + DC solid-state relays



# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

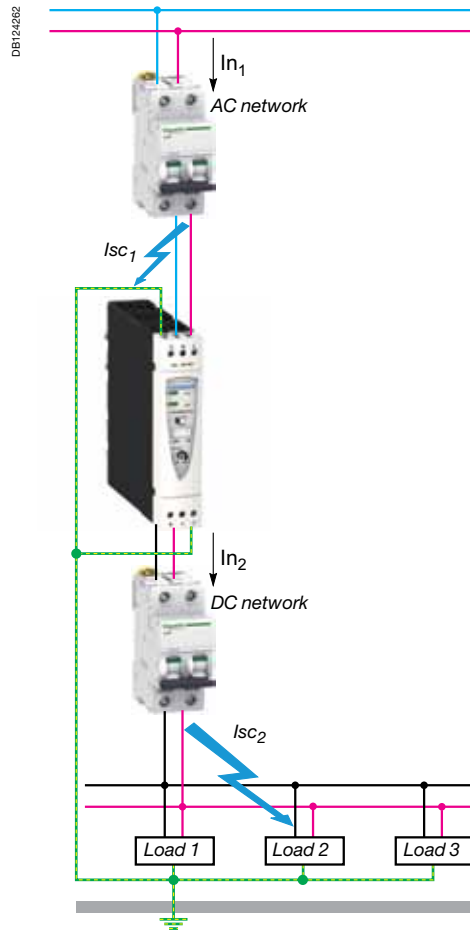
## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

24 V DC generator power supply protection

- Earthed network:
- $I_{sc} = 10 \text{ kA} / I_n = 63 \text{ A}$ ,
- $I_{sc} = 10 \text{ kA} / I_n = 20 \text{ A}$ .

### Solution

iC60H 2P 63 A + iC60N 2P 20 A + DC loads



# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

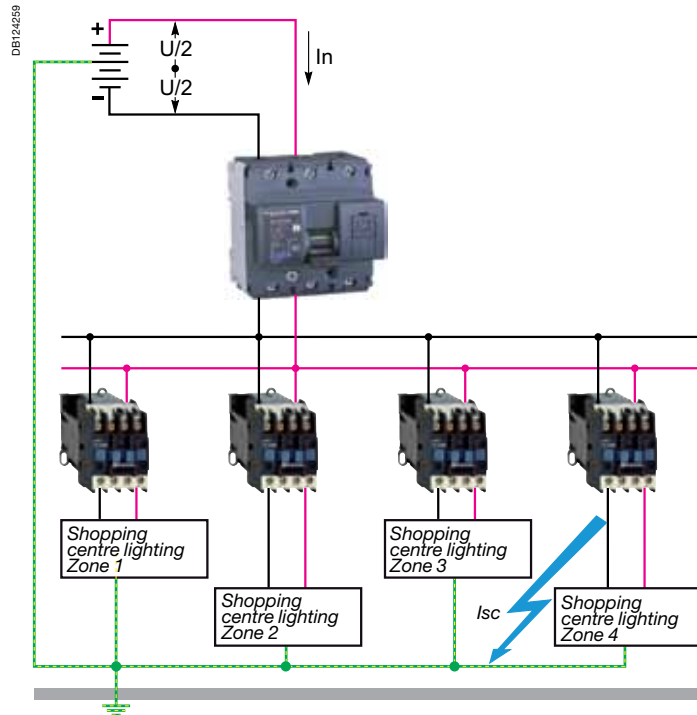
### Tertiary applications

Control and monitoring of the 48 V DC emergency lighting distribution for a shopping centre

- Mid-point of the network:
- $I_{sc} = 20 \text{ kA}$ ,
- $I_n = 125 \text{ A}$ .

### Solution

NG125H 3P 125 A + power contactors



# Circuit breakers for direct current applications (cont.)

## 24 V - 48 V direct current applications

Power supply protection by 24 V DC direct current generator

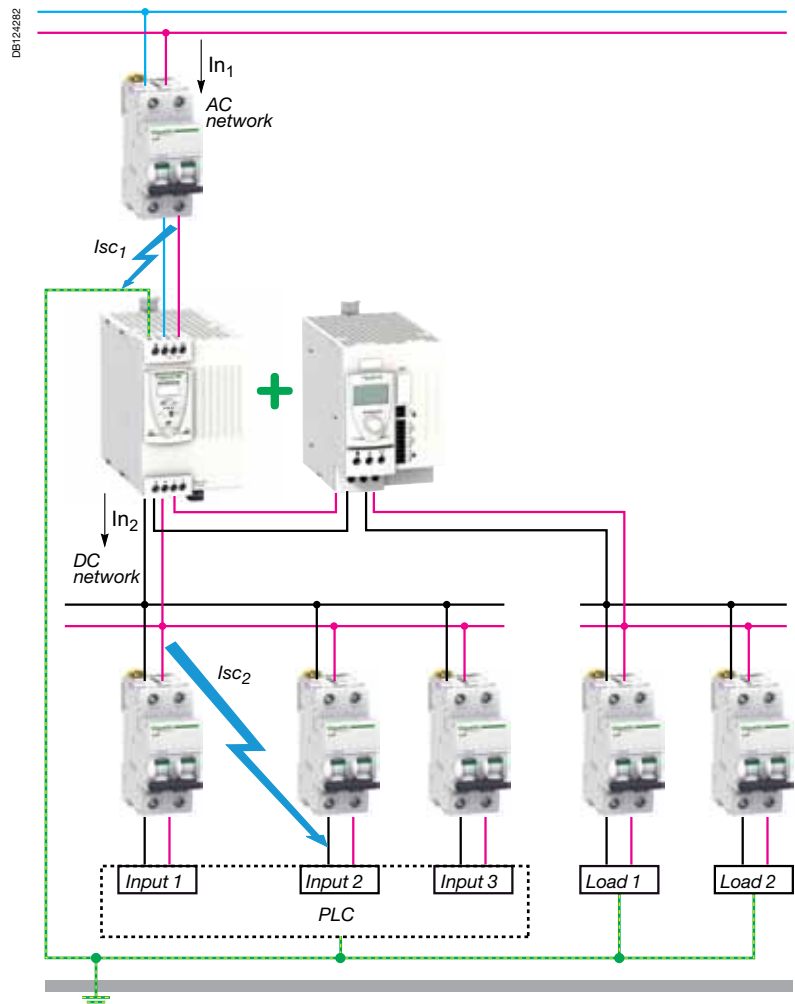
- Earthed network:
- $I_{sc1} = 10 \text{ kA} / I_n = 40 \text{ A}$ ,
- $I_{sc2} = 10 \text{ kA} / I_n = 2/4/6 \text{ A}$ .

### Solution

iC60H 2P 40 A + iC60H 2P 2/4/6 A + PLC inputs + DC loads

The Phaseo network failure solution provides the installation (or part thereof) with a 24 V DC power supply in the event of a mains voltage failure:

- throughout the mains failure, to ensure the continuity of service of the installation.
- during a limited time to allow:
  - data to be backed up,
  - actuators to be put in the fallback position,
  - a generating set to be started up,
  - the operating systems to be shut down,
  - remote supervision data to be transmitted.



### Compatibility of 50/60 Hz equipment with a 400 Hz network

The performance of products designed for domestic frequencies of 50/60 Hz is impacted by the specific properties of networks of 400 Hz frequency.

Phenomena due to the increased frequency influence the behaviour of the copper components of transformers, cables and protective equipment.

Some types of equipment designed for 50/60 Hz networks may not be suitable. You should check whether or not a product is compatible and also apply any correction factors given by the manufacturer.

### Circuit breakers

Depending on the technologies used, modular circuit breakers designed for 50/60 Hz can be used at 400 Hz.

To choose the performance of a modular circuit breaker:

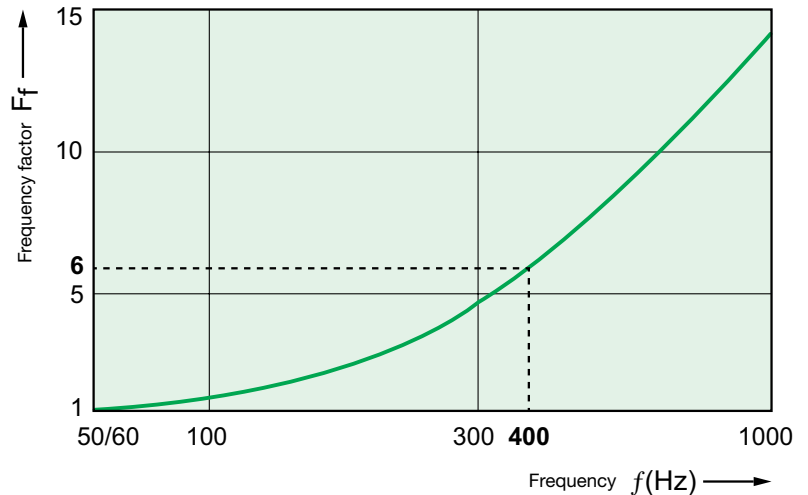
- do not take any thermal derating into account (In at 400 Hz is equivalent to In at 50 Hz).
- increase the magnetic tripping threshold, according to the table below.
- check that the short-circuit current on the installation is less than the breaking capacity of the circuit breaker. The breaking capacity of the circuit breakers at a frequency of 400 Hz is the same as at frequencies of 50/60 Hz. This characteristic is generally complied with, due to the fact that the short-circuit current of a 400 Hz generator is relatively low. In most cases, the generator I<sub>sc</sub> does not exceed four times the rated current.

Circuit breaker	Curve	Magnetic trip thresholds		Tolerance
		50 Hz	400 Hz	
iDPN	B	4 In	6 In	± 20 %
	C	8 In	12 In	
	D	12 In	18 In	
iC60	B	4 In	5.6 In	
	C	8 In	11.2 In	
	D	12 In	16.8 In	
C60	B	4 In	5.1 In	
	C	8.5 In	10.9 In	
	D	12 In	15.4 In	
C120	The NG125 and C120 circuit breakers are not suitable for networks of 400 Hz frequency. Refer to the Compact NSX offer.			
NG125				

**Earth leakage protection devices**

The residual current device trip thresholds designed for 50/60 Hz increase with the frequency, but since the human body is less sensitive to the passage of a current at 400 Hz, protection is still ensured for the users.

According to the IEC 60479-2 standard, at 400 Hz the ventricular fibrillation threshold is higher by a ratio of 6 (which means that the physiological effect of a 180 mA current at 400 Hz will be the same as that of a 30 mA current at 50/60 Hz).



Variations in the ventricular fibrillation threshold for shock durations exceeding the period of cardiac cycle (as per IEC 60479-2).

**Compatibility of residual current devices at 400 Hz:**

Depending on the type and the technology employed, a residual current device designed for a frequency of 50/60 Hz will or will not be capable of ensuring protection for users in accordance with the requirements of the standard.

Type of protection and type of equipment	Use possible on network of 400 Hz frequency	Limit	
A type	Not compatible	Trip threshold exceeding the limit given by the curve	
AC type	Not recommended	Excessive sensitivity with risk of unwanted tripping (poor guarantee of continuity of service)	
Si type	iID	YES	
	Vigi iC60	Not compatible	Trip threshold exceeding the limit given by the curve
	iDPN Vigi,	YES	

Note: The choice of an iID residual current circuit breaker ensures protection for users at 400 Hz while ensuring good continuity of service.

At 400 Hz, the test function of residual current devices designed for 50/60 Hz is not operational due to the increase in the trip threshold.

**Auxiliary function**

**Voltmetric releases**

If a circuit breaker needs to be provided with a voltmetric release whose control circuit is powered by the 400 Hz network, it is necessary to use a release auxiliary of appropriate characteristics for 400 Hz networks:

Type	Voltage	Cat. no.
Undervoltage release iMN	115 V AC - 400 Hz	A9A26959

## Motor starters

In general miniature circuit breakers can give only short circuit protection to motor loads due to the high starting currents which may be encountered; typically 3 - 12 times full load current (FLC).

## Assumptions

The tables give recommended MCB ratings for motors up to 37kW based on the following assumptions:

### ■ Direct-on-line starting

- Starting current = 7 x FLC
- Run up time = 6seconds, motors <3kW
- 10 seconds, motors < 22kW
- Running currents = average values only (individual manufacturer's figures will vary), four pole motors, i.e. speed approx. 1500rpm

For higher inertia loads, i.e. hoists or fans, run up times may be considerably longer than those assumed above. The rating of the MCB must take account of the greater run up time and starting current. The required MCB rating can be determined by reference to time/current curves (consult us).

### ■ Star/delta starting

Since, during the changeover from star to delta, a high current surge in the order of DOL values may be met, the MCB rating selected should be the same as that recommended for DOL starting.

**Table 1 - 3 phase 415Vac D.O.L. starting**

kW	hHp	Running I	Recommended MCB		
			C60HB	C60HC	C60HD
0.12	0.166	0.65	2	2	1
0.18	0.25	0.7	2	2	1
0.25	0.33	0.87	4	2	1
0.37	0.5	1.35	4	4	2
0.55	0.75	1.55	4	4	2
0.75	1.0	1.93	6	4	4
1.1	1.5	2.5	6	6	4
1.5	2	3.5	10	10	6
2.2	3	4.8	16	10	10
3	4	6.4	20	20	10
3.75	5	7.8	25	25	16
4	5.5	8.1	25	25	16
5.5	7.5	11	32	32	16
7.5	10	14.4	50	50	20
9.33	12.5	17.3	63	50	20
11	15	21	63	63	25
13	17.5	25	-	-	32
15	20	28	-	-	40
18.5	25	35	-	-	50
22	30	40	-	-	50
30	40	54	-	-	63
37	50	65.5	-	-	-

**Table 2 - 1 phase 240Vac D.O.L. starting**

kW	Hp	Running I	C60HB	C60HC	C60HD
0.12	0.166	0.95	4	2	1
0.18	0.25	1.5	4	4	2
0.25	0.33	1.7	6	4	2
0.37	0.5	3	10	6	4
0.55	0.75	4.5	16	10	6
0.75	1	5.5	16	16	10
1.1	1.5	8.5	25	25	16
1.5	2	10.5	32	32	20
2.2	3	15.5	40	40	25
3	4	20	63	63	32
3.75	5	24	-	63	40
5.5	7.5	34	-	-	50
6.3	8.5	36.5	-	-	63
7.5	10	45	-	-	63
11	15	66.5	-	-	-

## Transformers

High inrush currents are also produced when transformers are switched on, typically 10 - 15 times full load current.

## Assumptions

The tables give recommended MCB ratings for single phase transformers up to 12500VA and three phase transformers up to 30000VA based on the following formula.

**Table 3 - 3 phase transformers 415Vac supply**

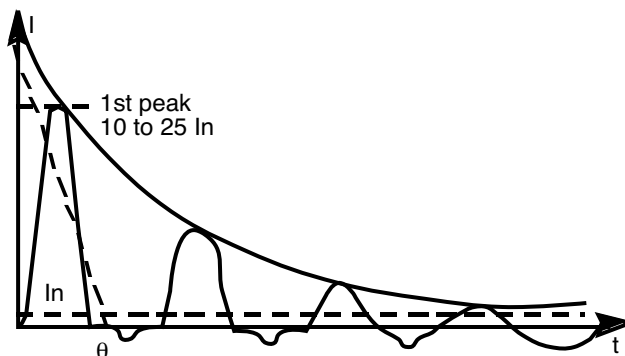
VA	Primary In (A)	C60HB	C60HC	C60HD
500	0.7	4	2	1
750	1.04	6	4	2
1000	1.39	10	6	4
2000	2.78	16	10	6
5000	6.95	40	25	16
10000	13.89	-	50	25
15000	20.84	-	63	32
20000	27.78	-	-	50
25000	34.73	-	-	63
30000	41.67	-	-	63

**Table 4 - 1 phase transformers 240Vac supply**

VA	Primary In (A)	C60HB	C60HC	C60HD
50	0.21	2	-	-
100	0.42	4	2	1
250	1.04	6	4	2
500	2.08	16	10	4
1000	4.17	25	16	10
2500	10.42	63	32	16
5000	20.84	-	63	32
10000	41.66	-	-	63
12500	52.08	-	-	-

## Inrush currents

When LV/LV transformers are switched on, very high inrush currents are produced which must be taken into account when choosing overcurrent protection devices. The peak value of the first current wave often reaches 10 - 15 times the rated rms current of the transformer and may reach values of 20 - 25 times the rated current even for transformers rated less than 50kVA. This transient inrush current decays very quickly (in a few milliseconds).



### Choice of motor supply cable size

When selecting the cable size the starting current of the motor and the permissible voltage drop must be taken into account. The cable must be capable of carrying a permanent service current at least equal to the sum of  $I_n + I_s/3$  where:

$I_n$  = rated current

$I_s$  = starting current (4 - 8  $I_n$ ) depending on the motor.

### Voltage drop

The permissible voltage drop from the start of the installation to the motor in question is 6% for public distribution systems. If the torque of the machine to be driven is low during starting it is only necessary to check the voltage drop for the rated current of the motor. If the starting torque is high (grinding mills, goods lifts, etc.) the voltage drop should be checked for the starting current.

### P25M motor circuit breaker

This protects motors against overloads and short circuits. P25M type circuit breaker has on each pole a thermal release for protection against overloads and a magnetic release for protection against short circuits. For high short circuit currents use the limiter block, Ref. 21115. For ratings from 0.16A - 10A, 415V or from 0.16 - 18A, 240V; in this case the breaking capacity of the P25M circuit breaker is unlimited.

### Applications

The P25M circuit breaker is particularly suitable for protecting **small machine tools** and similar machines, with **local control**.

### Thermal release settings

The thermal releases are supplied set to the bottom value of the setting range. Simultaneous setting of the thermal releases can be carried out by opening the cover and adjusting the dial on the front face of the P25M. It is recommended that the thermal releases be set to the current that the motor absorbs in normal service and not to its rated current so as to provide effective close protection.

### Ambient temperature compensation

Close protection against thermal overload is enhanced by thermal releases which are ambient temperature compensated over the range - 20°C - +60°C. During overload conditions, tripping is delayed at lower ambient temperatures, from - 20°C - +20°C, and is accelerated at higher ambient temperatures, from 20°C - +60°C.

### Protection of the line supplying the motor

Every circuit and every motor must be protected against overloads and short circuits.

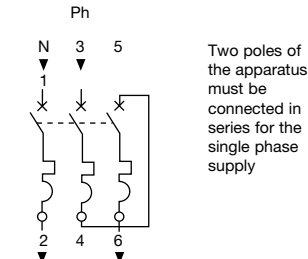
### Phase failure protection

The P25M protects each phase separately and interrupts all three phases in the event of a loss of phase. Single phasing sensitivity is achieved by means of a differential trip which accelerates tripping should phase failure occur.

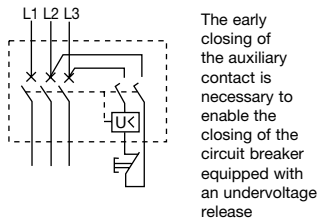
**Auxiliaries:**

- Alarm switch.
- ON/OFF switch.
- Shunt trip release or undervoltage release (emergency stop).

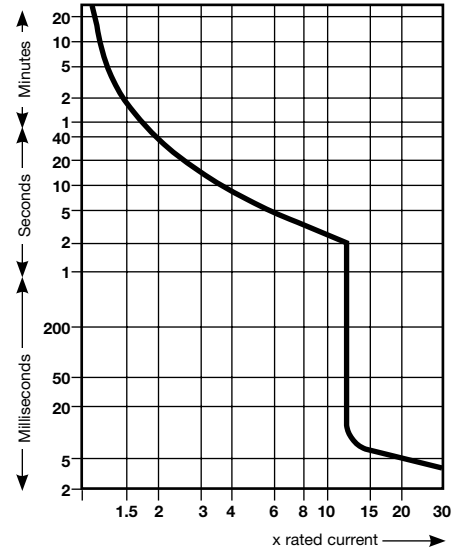
**Single phase connection**



**Emergency switch wiring**



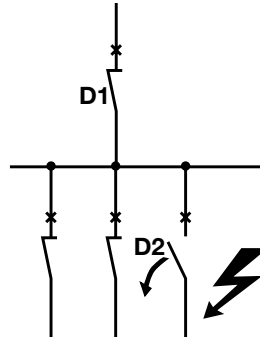
**Time/current characteristics**



Rating In (A)	Settings	Part number	Standard power ratings kW: of 3-phase motors 50 - 60Hz AC-3 category					
			230	400	415	440	500	690
0.16	0.1 - 0.16	<b>21100</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.25	0.16 - 0.25	<b>21101</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.40	0.25 - 0.40	<b>21102</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.63	0.40 - 0.63	<b>21103</b>	-	-	-	-	-	0.37
1.0	0.63 - 1	<b>21104</b>	-	-	-	0.37	0.37	0.55
1.6	1 - 1.6	<b>21105</b>	-	0.37	-	0.55	0.75	1.1
2.5	1.6 - 2.5	<b>21106</b>	0.37	0.75	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.5
4.0	2.5 - 4	<b>21107</b>	0.75	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.2	3
6.3	4 - 6.3	<b>21108</b>	1.1	2.2	2.2	3	3.7	4
10	6 - 10	<b>21109</b>	2.2	4	4	4	5.5	7.5
14	9 - 14	<b>21110</b>	3	5.5	5.5	7.5	9	11
18	13 - 18	<b>21111</b>	4	7.5	9	9	10	15
23	17 - 23	<b>21112</b>	5.5	9	11	11	11	18.5
25	20 - 25	<b>21113</b>	5.5	11	11	11	15	22

**Discrimination**

The table below indicates where total discrimination exists between devices.



Upstream Compact		MGE1003X	MGE1253X	MGE1603X	MGE2003X	MGE2503X	MGE4003X	MGE6303X
multi 9	iC60H	Rating (A)						
		10 - 16	■	■	■	■	■	■
		20 - 25		■	■	■	■	■
		32 - 40		■	■	■	■	■
		50 - 63		■	■	■	■	

**Note:** For further information on this product range: consult us.

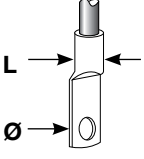
**Guidance for motor loads**

Specific “magnetic only” MCCBs are available for short circuit protection of motors. However, the standard MCCB may be used, as detailed below.

	Max motor size (kW)	Running current (A) @ 415V
16A	2.2	5.0
25A	3.7	7.5
40A	4	8.4
63A	9	17
80A	15	28
100A	22	40
125A	25	47
160A	33	60
200A	45	80
250A	69	128

**Note:**

- These tables offer guidance only, for DOL starting assuming:
  - A starting current of 7 x FLC
  - Run-up time =8 seconds for motors
    - < 3kW
    - 10 seconds for motors
    - > 3kW
- The running current is a typical value and may vary from manufacturer to manufacturer

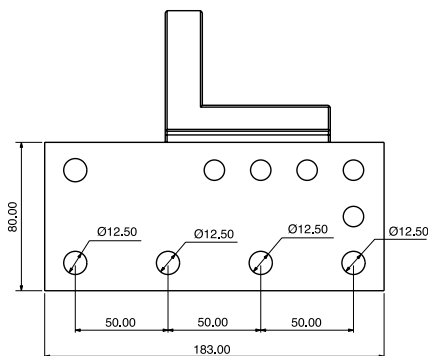


Current	Device		Possible terminal capacity for crimped lug		Breaking capacity 415V
			(mm) Ø	@ L	
100A	MGP100	MCCB SP	6	25	25,000A @ 240V
100A	MGP100X	MCCB TP	6	25	36,000A
160A	MGP160X	MCCB TP	6	25	36,000A
250A	MGP250X	MCCB	8	25	36,000A
	MGP250NA	Switch disconnect	8	25	-
400A	MGP400X	MCCB	10	32	50,000A
	MGP400A	Switch disconnect	10	32	-
630A	MGP630X	MCCB	10	32	50,000A
	MGP630NA	Switch disconnect	10	32	-
800A	NS800		12	44	50,000A
	NS800NA	Switch disconnect	12	44	-
	MGP INC	Direct connection	10	32	-
	Outgoing	Earth connection	6	25mm tunnel	-
	Outgoing	Neutral connection	6	25	-
	Incoming	Earth connection	10	32	-
	Incoming	Neutral connection	12	40	-

Other connections available on request. If you require higher breaking capacity, consult us.

### 1600A Panelboard

Incoming connection details  
 4 - Ø12.5 holes on 50 mm pitch  
 Pole pitch = 70mm  
 Distance to gland plate = 708mm



## External influences

In many national and international standards, a large number of external influences to which an electrical installation can be subjected are indexed and coded: presence of water, presence of solid objects, risk of impact, vibrations, presence of corrosive substances, etc. These influences may be present with variable intensity depending on the conditions of installation: The presence of water may be in the form of a few drops or total immersion.

## Protection index



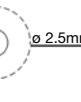
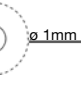


European standard EN60529 gives a protection code (IP) which characterises the ability of equipment to withstand the following external influences:

- Presence of solid bodies
- Presence of water



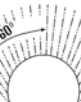




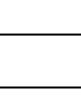
This code comprises two digits, depending on these external influences. The protection index is assigned to the equipment following a series of tests laid down in the respective standards.

## Test according to EN60529

### 1st digit Protection against solid bodies

<b>0</b>		No protection Protection against solid bodies greater than 50 mm
<b>1</b>		Protection against solid bodies greater than 12.5mm
<b>2</b>		Protection against solid bodies greater than 2.5 mm
<b>3</b>		Protection against solid bodies greater than 1 mm
<b>4</b>		Protection against dust (no harmful deposits)
<b>5</b>		Total protection against dust

### 2nd digit Protection against liquids

<b>0</b>		No protection
<b>1</b>		Protection against vertical drops of water (condensation)
<b>2</b>		Protection against drops of water falling up to 15° from vertical
<b>3</b>		Protection against rainwater up to 60° from vertical
<b>4</b>		Protection against water projected from all directions
<b>5</b>		protection against hosing with water from all directions
<b>6</b>		Protection against swamping with water
<b>7</b>		Protection against immersion

### Example IP 55

- Protection against dust (no harmful deposits)
- Protection against hosing with water from all directions

# Earth Loop Impedance Values for Miniature Circuit Breakers

Type iC60H		
Type B		
Rating	0.4 Sec	5 Sec
1A	43.70	43.70
2A	21.85	21.85
4A	10.93	10.93
6A	7.22	7.22
10A	4.37	4.37
16A	2.74	2.74
20A	2.19	2.19
25A	1.75	1.75
32A	1.37	1.37
40A	1.09	1.09
50A	0.87	0.87
63A	0.69	0.69

Type iC60H		
Type C		
Rating	0.4 Sec	5 Sec
1A	21.85	28.02
2A	10.93	13.66
4A	5.46	7.05
6A	3.69	4.65
10A	2.19	2.80
16A	1.37	1.75
20A	1.09	1.40
25A	0.87	1.12
32A	0.68	0.87
40A	0.55	0.70
50A	0.44	0.56
63A	0.35	0.45

Type iC60H		
Type D		
Rating	0.4 Sec	5 Sec
1A	15.61	28.02
2A	7.80	13.66
4A	3.90	7.05
6A	2.60	4.65
10A	1.56	2.80
16A	0.98	1.75
20A	0.78	1.40
25A	0.63	1.12
32A	0.48	0.87
40A	0.39	0.70
50A	0.31	0.56
63A	0.25	0.45

Type iC120H		
Type B		
Rating	0.4 Sec	5 Sec
63A	0.69	0.69
80A	0.54	0.54
100A	0.44	0.44
125A	0.34	0.34

Type iC120H		
Type C		
Rating	0.4 Sec	5 Sec
63A	0.37	0.45
80A	0.29	0.35
100A	0.23	0.28
125A	0.18	0.23

Type iC120H		
Type D		
Rating	0.4 Sec	5 Sec
63A	0.247	0.4275
80A	0.1995	0.3325
100A	0.152	0.266
125A	0.1235	0.2185

Type NSX