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3AH3 vacuum circuit-breaker from 7.2 kV to 36 kV – The Powerful

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Circuit-breakers must make and break all currents within the scope of their ratings: From small inductive and capacitive load currents up to high short-circuit currents,

controlling all fault conditions in the power system at the same time.

3AH3 – maintenance-free for high switching capacities



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The 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breaker is maintenance-free throughout its entire service life. It is extremely powerful and controls up to 10,000 operating cycles. This circuit-breaker is used for high load currents up to 6300 A and high short-circuit currents up to 72 kA. It covers the common medium-voltage range from 7.2 kV to 36 kV.

Due to its high capacity, the circuit-breaker is especially suitable for generator operation and industrial applications. The high-current and generator circuit-breakers 3AH37 and 3AH38 meet the requirements of IEEE Std C37.013.

The vacuum circuit-breaker consists of the pole assemblies (1) and the operating mechanism box (2). The pole assemblies are fixed to the operating mechanism box via post insulators (3). The switching movement is transferred by means of operating rods (4) and levers.

Switching medium

The vacuum switching technology, proven and fully developed for more than 30 years, serves as arc-quenching principle by using vacuum interrupters.

Pole assemblies

The pole assemblies consist of the vacuum interrupters (6) and the interrupter supports. The vacuum interrupters are air-insulated and freely accessible. This makes it possible to clean the insulating parts easily in adverse ambient conditions. The vacuum interrupter is mounted rigidly to the upper interrupter support (5). The lower part of the interrupter is guided in the lower interrupter support (7), allowing axial movement. The braces absorb the external forces resulting from switching operations and the contact pressure.

Operating mechanism box

The whole operating mechanism with releases, auxiliary switches, indicators and actuating devices is accommodated in the operating mechanism box. The extent of the secondary equipment depends on the case of application and offers a multiple variety of options in order to meet almost every requirement.

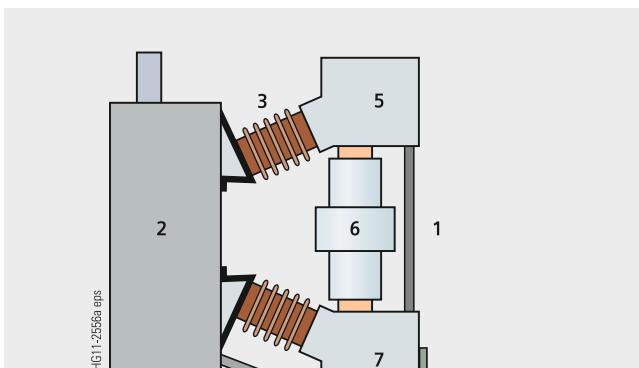
Operating mechanism

The operating mechanism is a stored-energy mechanism. The closing spring is charged either electrically or manually. It latches tight at the end of the charging process and serves as an energy store. The force is transmitted from the operating mechanism to the pole assemblies via operating rods.

To close the breaker, the closing spring can be unlatched either mechanically by means of the local "ON" pushbutton or electrically by remote control. The closing spring charges the opening or contact pressure springs as the breaker closes. The now discharged closing spring will be charged again automatically by the mechanism motor or manually. Then the operating sequence OPEN-CLOSE-OPEN is stored in the springs. The charging state of the closing spring can be checked electrically by means of a position switch.

Trip-free mechanism

3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers have a trip-free mechanism according to IEC 62271-100. In the event of an opening command being given after a closing operation has been initiated, the moving contacts return to the open position and remain there even if the closing command is sustained. This means that the contacts of the vacuum circuit-breakers are momentarily in the closed position, which is permissible according to IEC 62271-100.



Circuit-breaker structure

- 1 Pole assembly
- 2 Operating mechanism box
- 3 Post insulator
- 4 Operating rod
- 5 Upper interrupter support
- 6 Vacuum interrupter
- 7 Lower interrupter support



Front view



Open operating mechanism box

Description

Construction and mode of operation, standards, maintenance-free design

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Releases

A release is a device which transfers electrical commands from an external source, such as a control room, to the latching mechanism of the vacuum circuit-breaker so that it can be opened or closed. Apart from the closing solenoid, the maximum possible equipment is one shunt release and two other releases. For release combinations, refer to page 17.

- The closing solenoid unlatches the charged closing spring of the vacuum circuit-breaker, closing it by electrical means. It is suitable for DC or AC voltage.
- Shunt releases are used for automatic tripping of vacuum circuit-breakers by suitable protection relays and for deliberate tripping by electrical means. They are intended for connection to an external power supply (DC or AC voltage) but, in special cases, may also be connected to a voltage transformer for manual operation.
- Current-transformer operated releases comprise a stored-energy mechanism, an unlatching mechanism and an electromagnetic system. They are used when there is no external source of auxiliary power (e.g. a battery). Tripping is effected by means of a protection relay (e.g. overcurrent-time protection) acting on the current-transformer operated release. When the tripping current is exceeded (= 90 % of the rated normal current of the c.t.-operated release), the latch of the energy store, and thus opening of the circuit-breaker, is released.
- Undervoltage releases comprise a stored-energy mechanism, an unlatching mechanism and an electromagnetic system which is permanently connected to the secondary or auxiliary voltage while the vacuum circuit-breaker is closed. If the voltage falls below a predetermined value, unlatching of the release is enabled and the circuit-breaker is opened via the stored-energy mechanism. The deliberate tripping of the undervoltage release generally takes place via an NC contact in the tripping circuit or via an NO contact by short-circuiting the magnet coil. With this type of tripping, the short-circuit current is limited by the built-in resistors. Undervoltage releases can also be connected to voltage transformers. When the operating voltage drops to impermissibly low levels, the circuit-breaker is tripped automatically.

For delayed tripping, the undervoltage release can be combined with energy stores.

Closing

In the standard version, 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers can be remote-closed electrically. They can also be closed locally by mechanical unlatching of the closing spring via pushbutton.

Instead of this "manual mechanical closing", "manual electrical closing" is also available. In this version, the closing circuit of the circuit-breaker is controlled electrically by a pushbutton instead of the mechanical button. In this way, switchgear-related interlocks can also be considered for local operation in order to prevent involuntary closing.

If constant CLOSE and OPEN commands are present at the circuit-breaker at the same time, the circuit-breaker will return to the open position after closing. It remains in this position until a new CLOSE command is given. In this manner, continuous closing and opening (= "pumping") is prevented.

Circuit-breaker tripping signal

The NO contact makes brief contact while the vacuum circuit-breaker is opening, and this is often used to operate a hazard-warning system which, however, is only allowed to respond to automatic tripping of the circuit-breaker. Therefore, the signal from the NO contact must be interrupted when the circuit-breaker is being opened intentionally. This is accomplished under local control with the cut-out switch that is connected in series with the NO contact.

Interlocking

Electrical interlocking

The circuit-breakers can be integrated in electromagnetic feeder or switchgear interlocks. In case of electrical interlocking, the disconnector or its operating mechanism is equipped with a magnetic lock-out mechanism. This mechanism is controlled by an auxiliary contact of the circuit-breaker, so that the disconnector can only be operated when the circuit-breaker is open. On the other hand, the circuit-breaker is also controlled by the disconnector or its operating mechanism, so that it can only be closed when the disconnector is in an end position. For this purpose, manual electrical closing must be provided in the circuit-breaker operating mechanism (see "Closing").

Mechanical interlocking

To interlock circuit-breaker trucks, withdrawable parts or disconnectors according to the switch position, the circuit-breakers can be equipped with a mechanical interlocking. A sensor at the switchgear checks the position of the circuit-breaker and prevents the open circuit-breaker in a reliable way from being closed mechanically and electrically.

Standards

3AH3 circuit-breakers conform to the following standards:

- IEC 62271-100 (former IEC 60056)
- IEC 62271-1 (former IEC 60694)
- VDE 0671 (former VDE 0670)
- IEEE Std C37.013 (only generator circuit-breaker)

All 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers fulfil the endurance classes E2, M2 and C2 according to IEC 62271-100.

Maintenance-free design

The 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers are maintenance-free:

- Under normal ambient conditions according to IEC 62271-1 (former IEC 60694)
- Up to 10,000 operating cycles,
- no relubrication, no readjustment required
- and within their tolerances, the characteristics are independent of the switching rate or of standing times without switching operations.

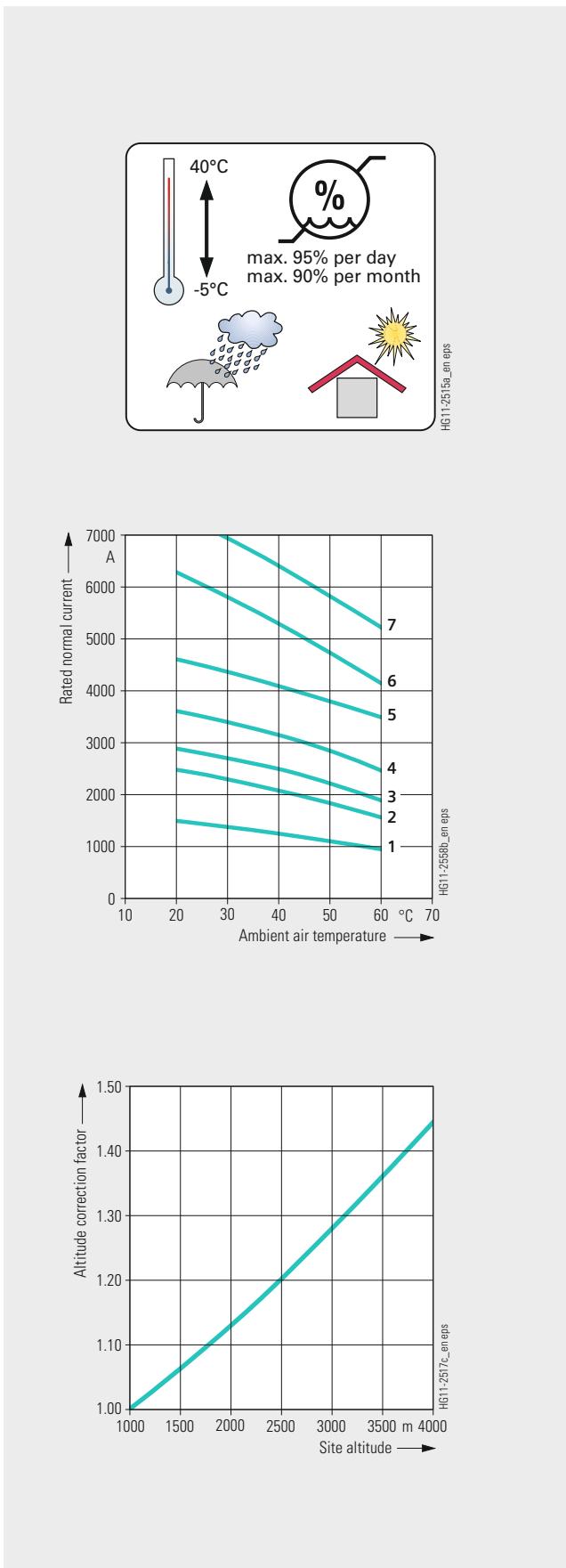
Ambient conditions

The vacuum circuit-breakers are designed for the normal operating conditions defined in IEC 62271-100.

Condensation can occasionally occur under the ambient conditions shown opposite. 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers are suitable for use in the following climatic classes according to IEC 60721, Part 3-3:

Climatic ambient conditions:	Class 3K4 ¹⁾
Biological ambient conditions:	Class 3B1
Mechanical ambient conditions:	Class 3M2
Chemically-active substances:	Class 3C2 ²⁾
Mechanically-active substances:	Class 3S2 ³⁾

- 1) Low temperature limit: -5 °C
- 2) Without icing and wind-driven precipitation
- 3) Restriction: Clean insulation parts



Current carrying capacity

The rated normal currents specified in the opposite diagram have been defined according to IEC 62271-100 for an ambient air temperature of + 40 °C and apply to open switchgear. For enclosed switchgear the data of the switchgear manufacturer applies. At ambient air temperatures below + 40 °C, higher normal currents can be carried (see diagram):

- Characteristics curve 1 = Rated normal current 1250 A
- Characteristics curve 2 = Rated normal current 2000 A
- Characteristics curve 3 = Rated normal current 2500 A
- Characteristics curve 4 = Rated normal current 3150 A
- Characteristics curve 5 = Rated normal current 4000 A
- Characteristics curve 6 = Rated normal current 5000 A
- Characteristics curve 7 = Rated normal current 6300 A

Dielectric strength

The dielectric strength of air insulation decreases with increasing altitude due to low air density. According to IEC 62271-1, the values of the rated lightning impulse withstand voltage and the rated short-duration power-frequency withstand voltage specified in the chapter "Technical Data" apply to a site altitude of 1000 m above sea level. For an altitude above 1000 m, the insulation level must be corrected according to the opposite diagram.

The characteristic shown applies to both rated withstand voltages.

To select the devices, the following applies:

$$U \geq U_0 \times K_a$$

U Rated withstand voltage under reference atmosphere

U_0 Rated withstand voltage requested for the place of installation

K_a Altitude correction factor according to the opposite diagram

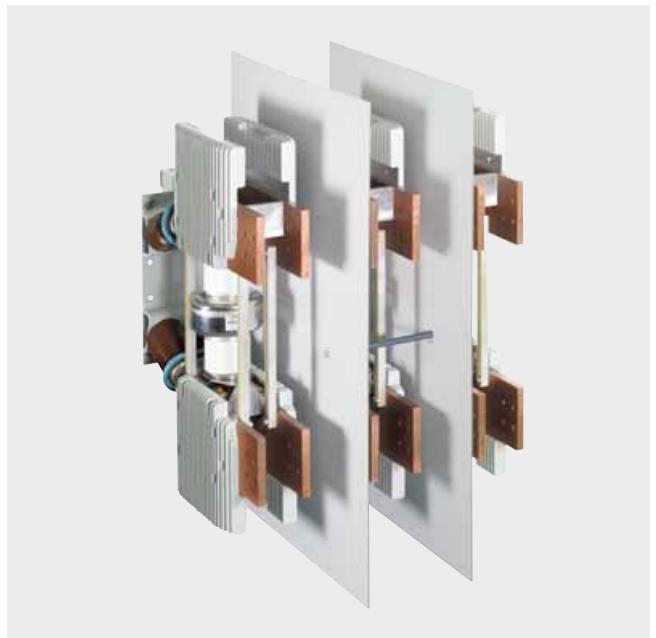
Example

For a requested rated lightning impulse withstand voltage of 75 kV at an altitude of 2500 m, an insulation level of 90 kV under reference atmosphere is required as a minimum:

$$90 \text{ kV} \geq 75 \text{ kV} \times 1.2$$



3AH3 vacuum circuit-breaker (4000 A)



3AH37 generator circuit-breaker

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Order number structure

The 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers consist of a primary and a secondary part. The relevant data make up the 16-digit order number. The primary part covers the main electrical data of the circuit-breaker poles. The secondary part covers the auxiliary devices which are necessary for operating and controlling the vacuum circuit-breaker.

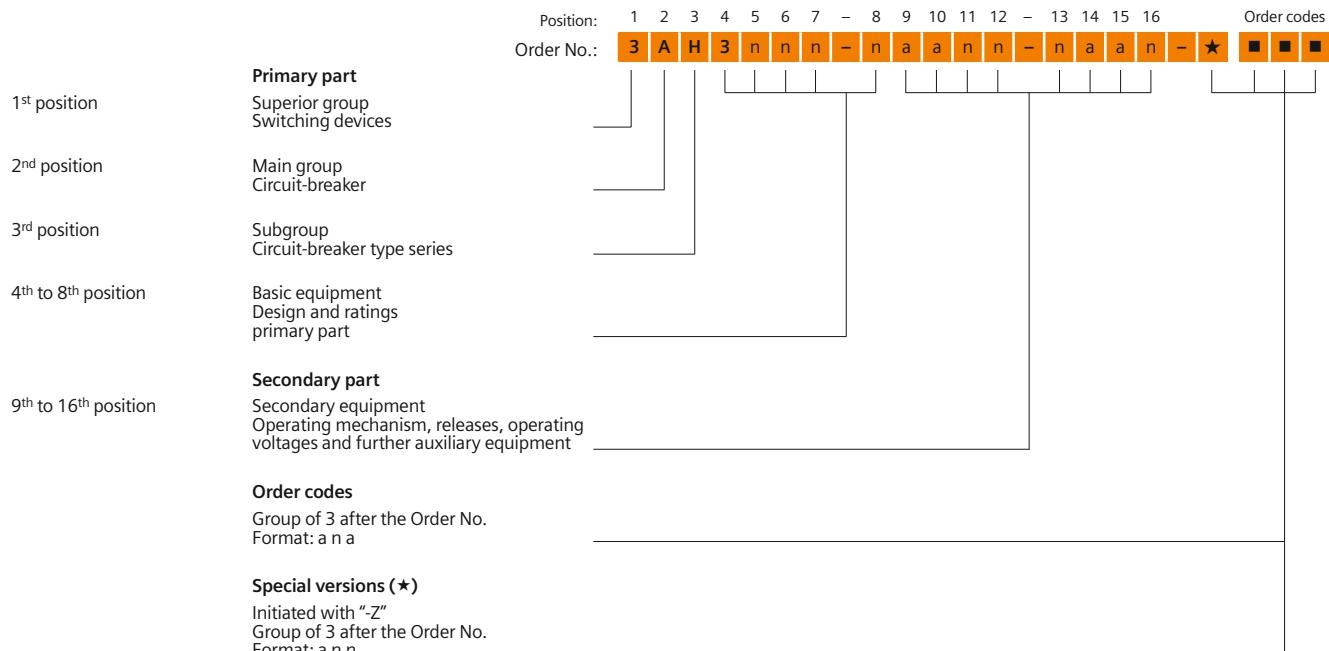
Order codes

Individual equipment versions, marked with **9** or **Z** in the 9th to 16th position, are explained more in detail by a 3-digit order code. Several order codes can be added to the order number in succession and in any sequence.

Special versions (★)

In case of special versions, “-Z” is added to the order number and a descriptive order code follows. If several special versions are required, the suffix “-Z” is listed only once. If a requested special version is not in the catalog and can therefore not be ordered via order code, it has to be identified with **Y 9 9** after consultation. The agreement hereto is made directly between your responsible sales partner and the order processing department in the Switchgear Factory Berlin.

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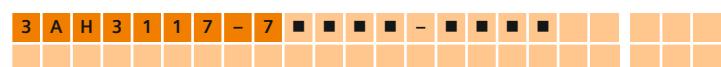
Configuration example

In order to simplify the selection of the correct order number for the requested circuit-breaker type, you will find a configuration example on each page of the chapter “Equipment Selection”. For the selection of the secondary part, always the last example of the primary part was taken over and continued, so that at the end of the equipment selection (page 24) a completely configured circuit-breaker results as an example.

**On the foldout page we offer a configuring aid.
Here you can fill in the order number you have determined for your circuit-breaker.**

Example for Order No.:

Order codes:




**9th position
Release combination**

Position: Order No.:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	-	8	9	10	11	12	-	13	14	15	16	-	★	Order codes
	3	A	H	3	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	-	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Closing solenoid	■	■																			
1 st shunt release		■																			
2 nd shunt release			■																		
Undervoltage release				■																	
C.t.-operated release 0.5 A					■																
C.t.-operated release 1.0 A						■															
C.t.-operated release with tripping pulse ≥ 0.1 Ws (10 Ω)							■														
C.t.-operated release with tripping pulse ≥ 0.1 Ws (20 Ω)								■													

 1) With 3rd shunt release, voltage according to 13th position

2) Version with two c.t.-operated releases 0.5 A

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Configuration example

3AH3 vacuum circuit-breaker

 ($U_t = 36 \text{ kV}, 50/60 \text{ Hz}$, $U_p = 170 \text{ kV}$, $I_{sc} = 40 \text{ kA}$, $I_t = 2500 \text{ A}$, pole-centre distance = 350 mm)

 Closing solenoid, 1st shunt release, undervoltage release and c.t.-operated release with a rated normal current of 1 A

3 | A | H | 3
3 | 0 | 6 | - | 6
S
- | Z | A | 4 | 6

Example for Order No.:

3 | A | H | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | - | 6 | S | ■ | ■ | ■ | - | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | - | Z | A | 4 | 6

Order codes:

A | 4 | 6

**11th position****Operating voltage of the 1st shunt release**

Position: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 - 8 9 10 11 12 - 13 14 15 16 Order codes

Order No.: 3 A H 3 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Order codes

Standard voltages	Special voltages	See page 20	See page 21	See page 22	See page 23	See page 24	Order codes
24 V DC		1					
48 V DC		2					
60 V DC		3					
110 V DC		4					
220 V DC		5					
100 V AC 50/60 Hz ¹⁾		6					
110 V AC 50/60 Hz ¹⁾		7					
230 V AC 50/60 Hz ¹⁾		8					
30 V DC		9	With order code	L 1 A			
32 V DC		9	With order code	L 1 B			
120 V DC		9	With order code	L 1 C			
125 V DC		9	With order code	L 1 D			
127 V DC		9	With order code	L 1 E			
240 V DC		9	With order code	L 1 F			
120 V AC 50/60 Hz ¹⁾		9	With order code	L 1 K			
125 V AC 50/60 Hz ¹⁾		9	With order code	L 1 L			
240 V AC 50/60 Hz ¹⁾		9	With order code	L 1 M			

1) The AC frequency 50 or 60 Hz is selected at the 16th position of the order number together with the language (see page 23)

Configuration example

3AH3 vacuum circuit-breaker

($U_r = 36 \text{ kV}$, 50/60 Hz, $U_p = 170 \text{ kV}$, $I_{sc} = 40 \text{ kA}$, $I_r = 2500 \text{ A}$, pole-centre distance = 350 mm)

Operating voltage of the 1st shunt release 48 V DC

3 A H 3

3 0 6 - 6 S Z

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Example for Order No.: 3 A H 3 3 0 6 - 6 S Z 2 - - - - - Z

Order codes: A 4 6 + K 2 B



On request, we will be pleased to send you an overview of accessories and spare parts, as well as the spare pole assemblies available. Please consider the following information for your purchase order.

Remark for orders

The order numbers in the spare part overview are applicable to vacuum circuit-breakers of current manufacture. When mounting parts or spare parts are being ordered for an existing vacuum circuit-breaker, always quote the type designation, serial number and the year of manufacture of the circuit-breaker to be sure to get the correct delivery.

Retrofitting

When releases/solenoids are retrofitted, the order numbers of the mounting parts must also be specified. For other additional equipment, the required mounting parts are included in the delivery.

Spare pole assemblies

As spare parts, the vacuum interrupters are always supplied as a complete pole including post insulator.

To select the correct spare pole assemblies, please specify the type designation, serial number and year of manufacture of the circuit-breaker. All data is given on the rating plate.

Vacuum pole assemblies and other spare parts must only be replaced by instructed personnel.

Accessories for the plug connector

Included in the scope of supply of the basic equipment for 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breakers:

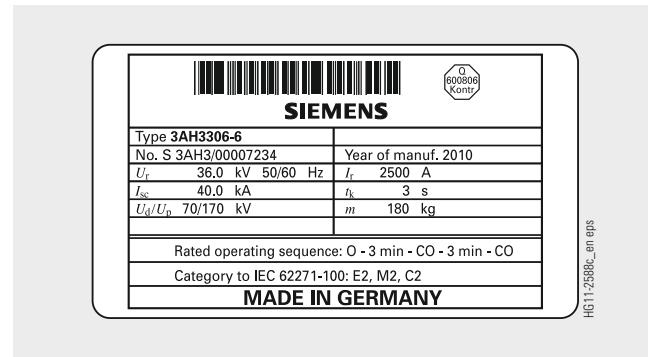
For 24-pole plug connector

- Lower part of plug
- Crimp sockets according to number of contacts
- Upper part of plug with screwed contacts
(no crimp sockets required)

For 64-pole plug connector

- Lower part of plug
- Upper part of plug
- Crimp sockets according to number of contacts

Data on the rating plate



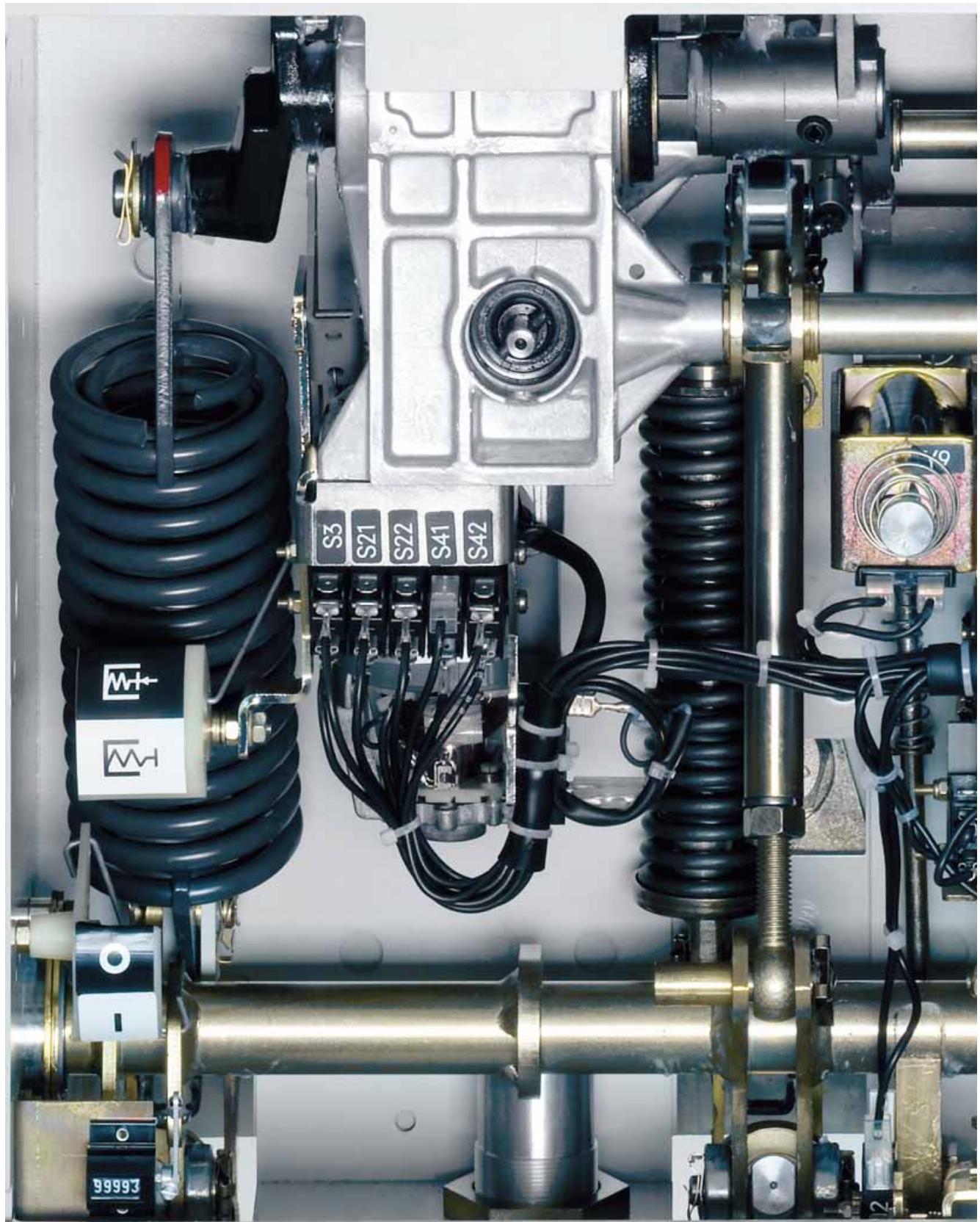
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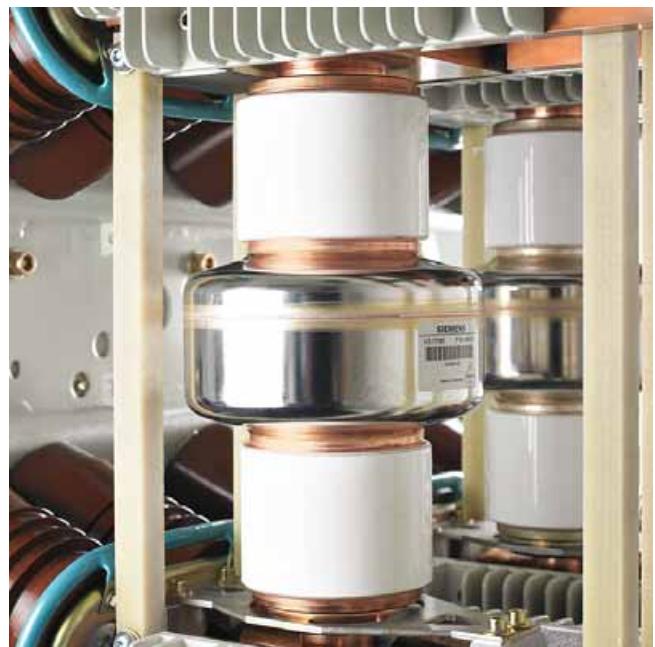
For any query regarding spare parts, subsequent deliveries, etc. the following three details are necessary:

- Type designation
- Serial No.
- Year of manufacture

Designation	Remarks	Order No.
Hand crank		3AX15 30-2B
Wire bundle	With 10 wires for connection of auxiliary switch to	
	– 64-pole plug connector	3AX11 34-2D
	– 24-pole plug connector	3AX11 34-2B
	– 24-pole terminal strip	3AX11 34-2C
Accessories for plug connector	(for wire cross-section 1.5 mm ²)	
	Crimp pins for lower part of plug	24-pole
		3AX11 34-3A
		64-pole
	Crimp sockets for upper part of plug	64-pole
	Crimping pliers	3AX11 34-4C
	Disassembly tool	3AX11 34-4D
		3AX11 34-4G



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Vacuum interrupter



Post insulator and upper interrupter support

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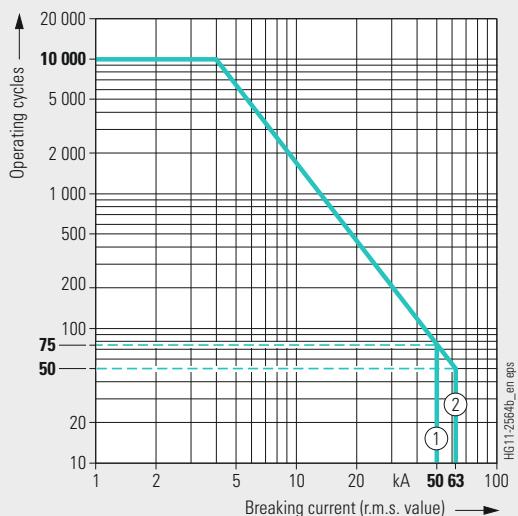
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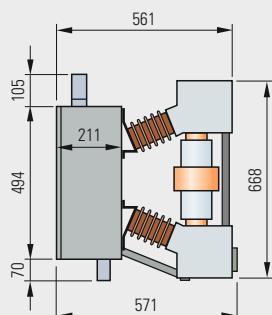
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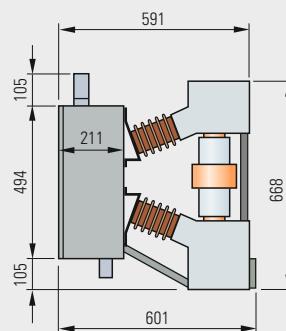
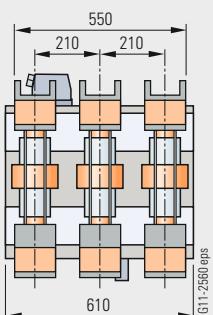
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Operating cycle diagram for 7.2 kV and 12 kV


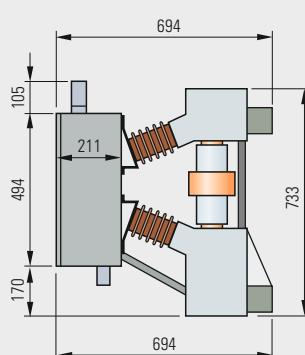
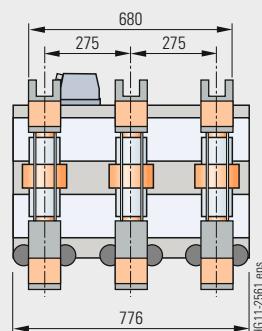
The permissible number of electrical operating cycles is shown as a function of the breaking current (r.m.s. value). All vacuum circuit-breakers fulfil the endurance classes E2, M2 and C2 according to IEC 62271-100. The curve shape beyond the parameters defined in IEC 62271-100 is based on average experience data. The number of operating cycles that can actually be reached can be different depending on the respective application.

Dimension drawings for 7.2 kV and 12 kV


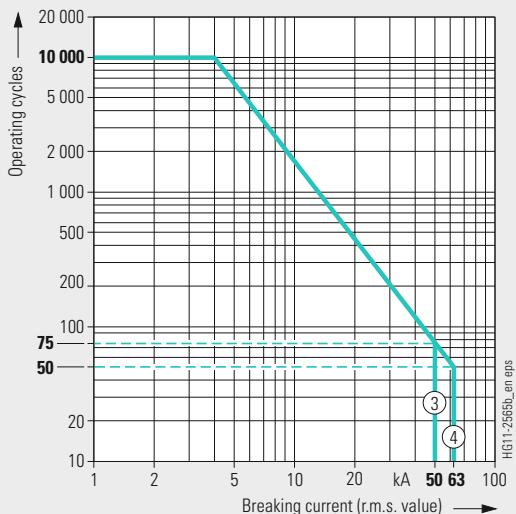
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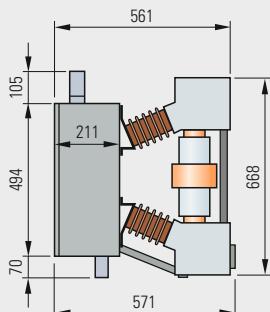
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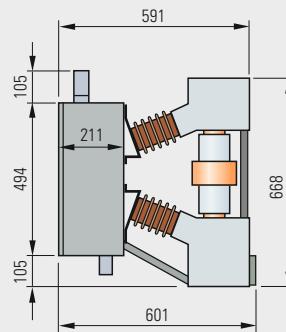
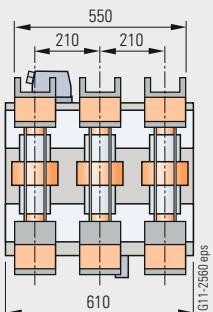
Dimension drawing 3

Operating cycle diagram for 15 kV


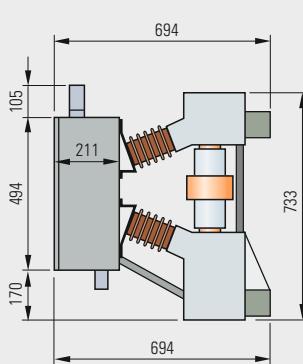
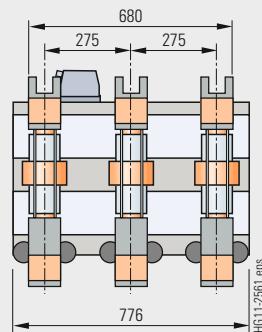
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Dimension drawings for 15 kV


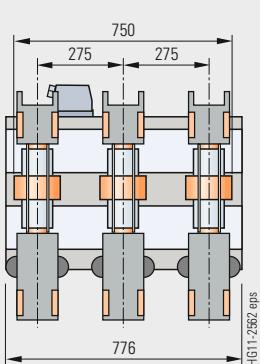
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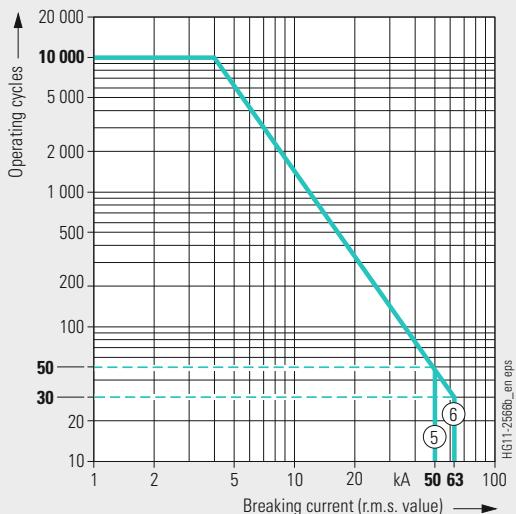
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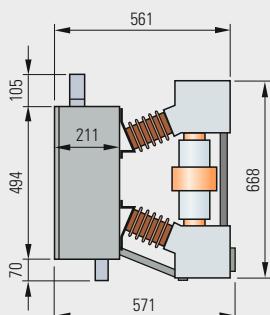
Order No.		17.5 kV 50/60 Hz	Rated normal current		Pole-centre distance		Rated operating sequence: 0 - 3 min - CO - 3 min - CO 0 - 0.3 s - CO - 3 min - CO 0 - 0.3 s - CO - 15 s - CO				Rated short-circuit breaking current		DC component in % of the rated short-circuit breaking current		Asymmetrical breaking current		Rated short-circuit making current (at 50/60 Hz)		Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage		Rated short-duration power-frequency withstand voltage		Voltage drop ΔU between connections (according to IEC 62271-1 at DC 100 A)		Minimum creepage distance, interrupter		Minimum creepage distance, phase-to-earth		Minimum clearance, phase-to-phase		Minimum clearance, phase-to-earth		Weights		Detailed dimension drawing (can be ordered)		Operating cycle diagram no. (see page 33)		Catalog dimension drawing no. (see page 33)	
Order No.	I_r A		I_r mm		t_r s	I_{sc} kA	%	kA	I_{ma} kA	kV	U_p kV	U_d kV	mV	mm	mm	mm	mm	kg																						
3AH3 217-2 ...	1250	210	■ □ △	3	50	36	56.1	125/ 130	95	38	1.8	160	230	110	130	184	S_325 00416	5	4																					
3AH3 217-6 ...	2500	210	■ □ △	3	50	36	56.1	125/ 130	95	38	1.8	160	230	110	130	184	S_325 00418	5	4																					
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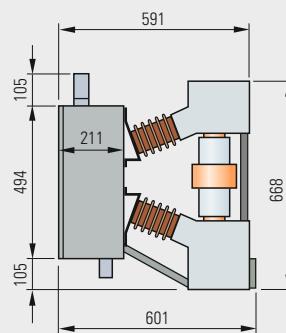
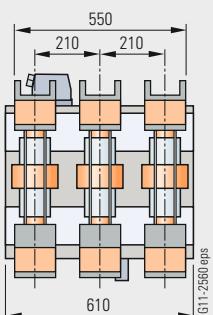
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Operating cycle diagram for 17.5 kV


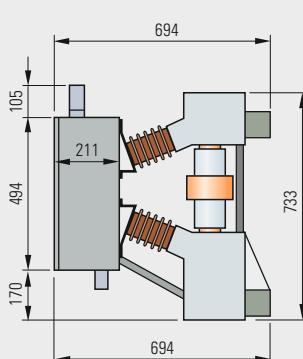
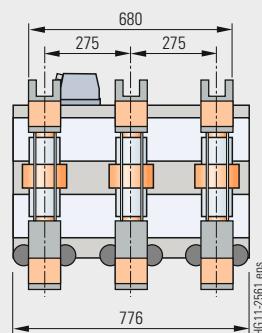
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Dimension drawings for 17.5 kV


Dimension drawing 4



Dimension drawing 5



Dimension drawing 6

Technical Data

Electrical data, dimensions and weights

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24 kV
50/60 Hz

Order No.

Rated normal current
 I_r

Pole-centre distance

Rated operating sequence:
0 - 3 min - CO - 3 min - CO
0 - 0.3 s - CO - 3 min - CO
0 - 0.3 s - CO - 15 s - CO

Rated duration of short-circuit
 t_s

Rated short-circuit breaking current
 I_{sc}

DC component in %
of the rated short-circuit breaking current

Asymmetrical breaking current

Rated short-circuit making current
(at 50/60 Hz)
 I_{ma}

Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage
 U_p

Rated short-duration power-frequency
withstand voltage
 U_d

Voltage drop ΔU between connections
(according to IEC 62271-1 at DC 100 A)

Minimum creepage distance,
interrupter

Minimum creepage distance,
phase-to-earth

Minimum clearance,
phase-to-phase

Minimum clearance,
phase-to-earth

Weights

Detailed dimension drawing
(can be ordered)

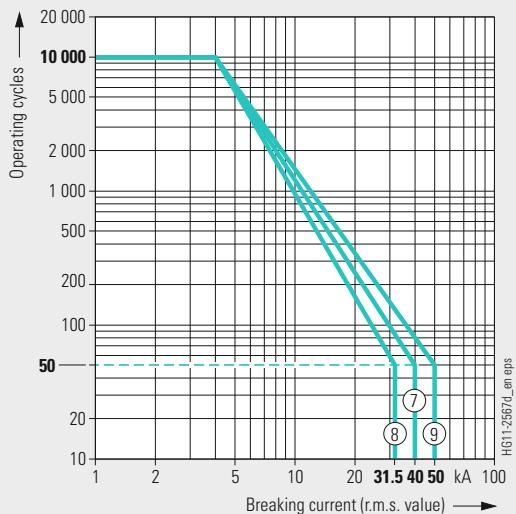
Operating cycle diagram no. (see page 35)

Catalog dimension drawing no. (see page 35)

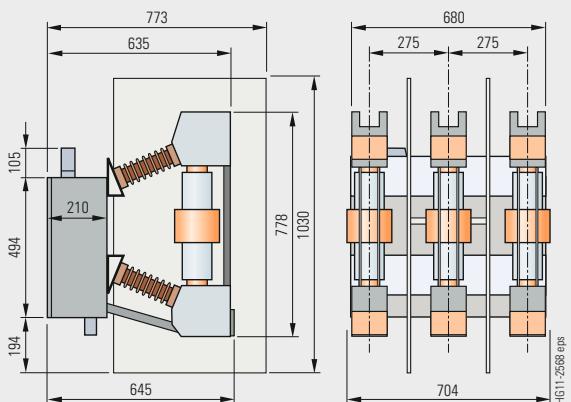
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3AH3 266-6 ...	2500	275	■ Δ Δ	3	40	36	44.9	100/ 104	125	50	2.0	360	226	245	173	168	S_325 00007	7	7
3AH3 267-7 ...	2500	275	■ Δ Δ	3	50	36	56.1	125/ 130	110	50	1.5	161	170	228	180	198	S_325 00034	9	8
3AH3 367-8 ...	4000	300	■ Δ Δ	3	50	36	56.1	125/ 130	125	50	1.5	161	207	440	197	350	S_325 00596	9	9

■ Standard information on the rating plate

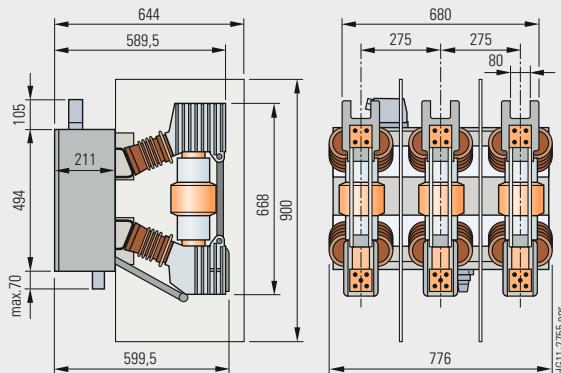
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Operating cycle diagram for 24 kV


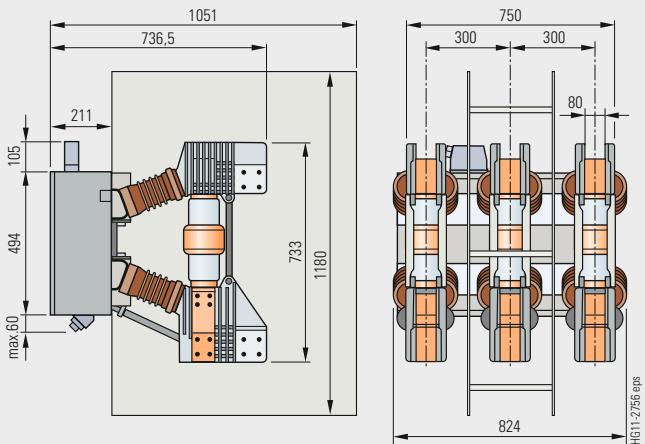
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Dimension drawings for 24 kV


Dimension drawing 7



Dimension drawing 8



Dimension drawing 9

Technical Data

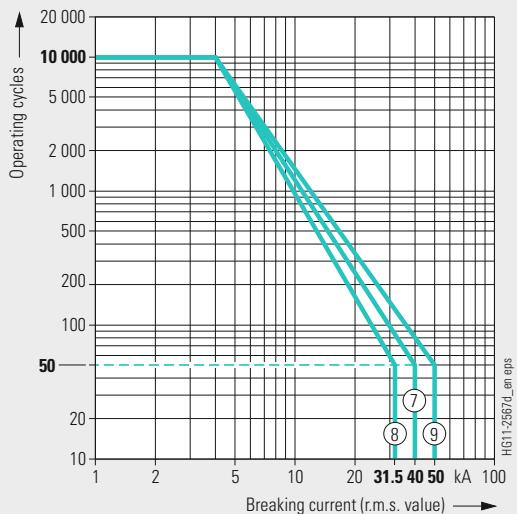
Electrical data, dimensions and weights

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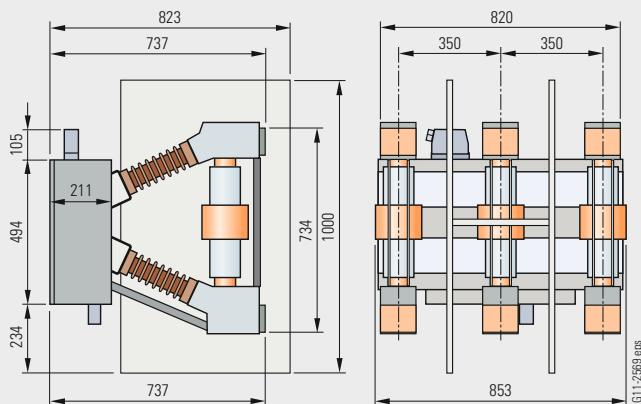
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Order No.	36 kV 50/60 Hz											Detailed dimension drawing (can be ordered)			Operating cycle diagram no. (see page 37)			Catalog dimension drawing no. (see page 37)		
	Rated normal current		Pole-centre distance		Rated operating sequence:		DC component in % of the rated short-circuit breaking current		Asymmetrical breaking current		Rated short-circuit making current (at 50/60 Hz)		Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage	Rated short-duration power-frequency withstand voltage	Voltage drop ΔU between connections (according to IEC 62271-1 at DC 100 A)	Minimum creepage distance, interrupter	Minimum creepage distance, phase-to-earth	Minimum clearance, phase-to-phase	Minimum clearance, phase-to-earth	Weights
	I_r	A	mm	t_{sc}	s	kA	%	kA	kA	kA	kV	kV	mV	mm	mm	mm	mm	kg		
3AH3 305-2 ...	1250	350	□ ■ ○	3	31.5	36	35.4	80/ 82	170	70	2.3	360	330	314	260	170	S_325 00008	8	10	
3AH3 305-4 ...	2000	350	□ ■ ○	3	31.5	36	35.4	80/ 82	170	70	2.3	360	330	314	260	175	S_325 00008	8	10	
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3AH3 305-7 ...	3150	350	□ ■ ○	3	31.5	36	35.4	80/ 82	170	70	1.9	366	430	309	270	350	S_325 00057	8	12	
3AH3 305-8...	4000	350	□ ■ ○	3	31.5	36	35.4	80/ 82	170	70	1.9	366	430	309	270	350	S_325 00057	8	12	
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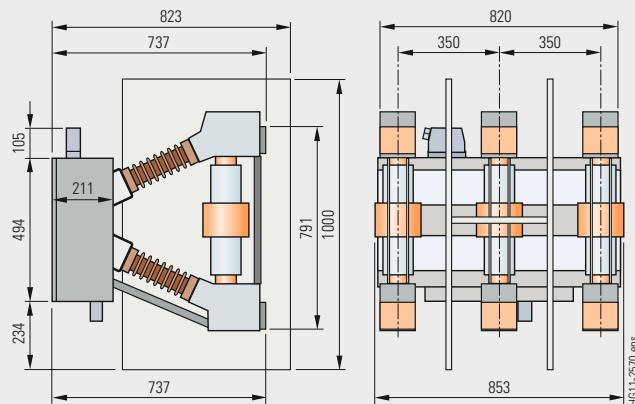
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- △ Rated operating sequence possible up to $I_{\text{sc}} = 31.5 \text{ kA}$

Operating cycle diagram for 36 kV


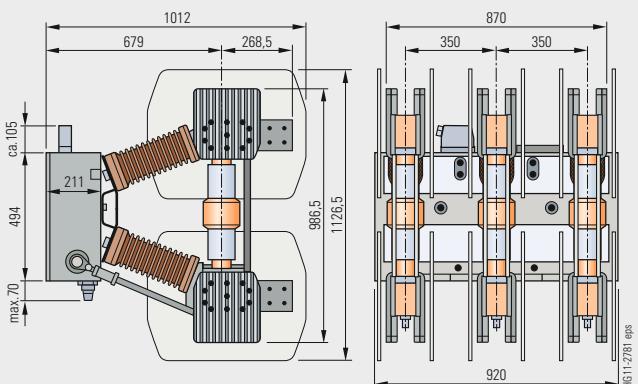
The permissible number of electrical operating cycles is shown as a function of the breaking current (r.m.s. value). All vacuum circuit-breakers fulfil the endurance classes E2, M2 and C2 according to IEC 62271-100. The curve shape beyond the parameters defined in IEC 62271-100 is based on average experience data. The number of operating cycles that can actually be reached can be different depending on the respective application.

Dimension drawings for 36 kV


Dimension drawing 10



Dimension drawing 11

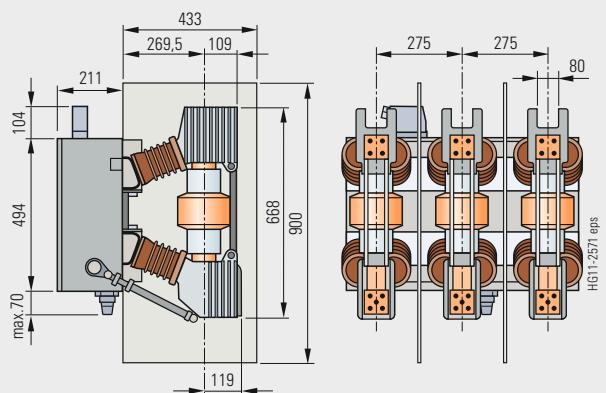


Dimension drawing 12

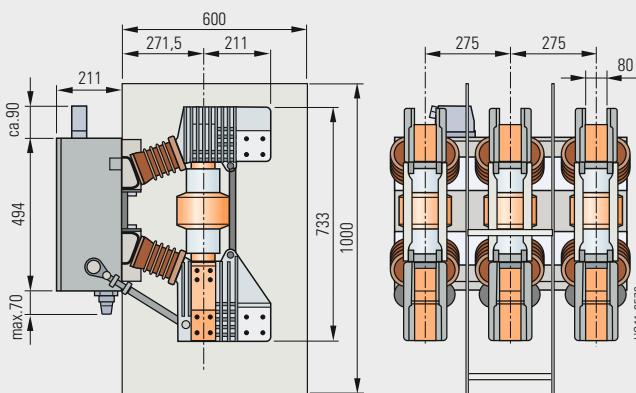
Number of operating cycles

The maximum permissible number of mechanical operating cycles is 10,000. Short-circuit breaking operations have been tested and proved under various conditions according to IEEE C37.013. As regards the electrical endurance, values ranging beyond this depend on the specific case of application.

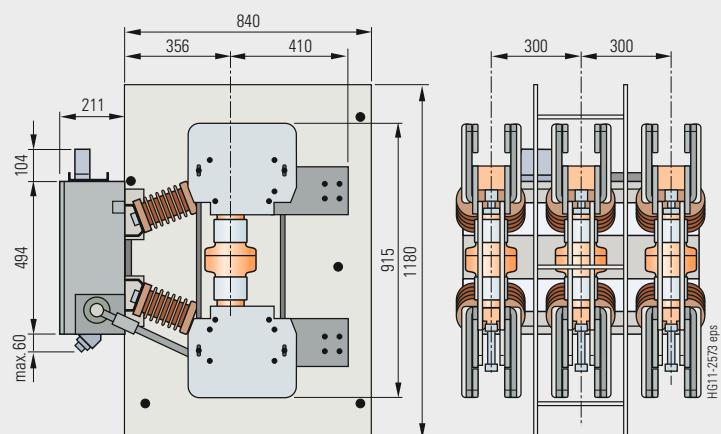
Dimension drawings for high-current and generator circuit-breakers 17.5 kV



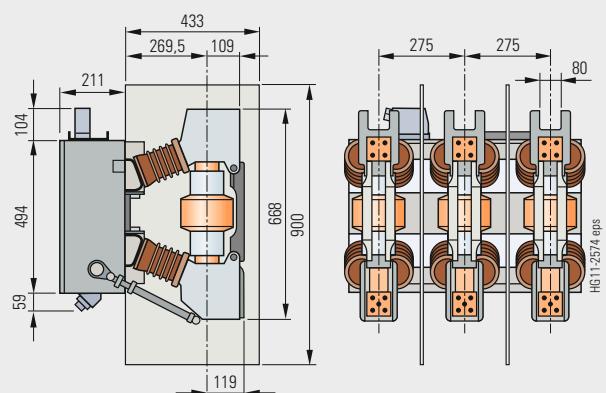
Dimension drawing 13



Dimension drawing 14



Dimension drawing 15



Dimension drawing 16

Technical Data

Electrical data, dimensions and weights
of high-current and generator circuit-breakers

3AH3 Vacuum Circuit-Breakers

High-current and generator circuit-breakers according to IEEE C37.013		24 kV 50/60 Hz																			
Order No.		Rated normal current		Pole-centre distance		Rated operating sequence: O - 3 min - CO - 3 min - CO															
		<i>I_r</i> A	mm			<i>t_k</i> s	<i>I_{sc}</i> kA	DC component in % of the rated short-circuit breaking current	Asymmetrical breaking current kA	<i>I_{ma}</i> kA	<i>U_p</i> kV	Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage <i>U_d</i> kV	Rated short-duration power-frequency withstand voltage <i>U_d</i> kV	Voltage drop ΔU between connections (according to IEC 62271-1 at DC 100 A)	Minimum creepage distance, interrupter mm	Minimum creepage distance, phase-to-earth mm	Minimum clearance, phase-to-phase mm	Minimum clearance, phase-to-earth mm	Weights kg	Detailed dimension drawing (can be ordered)	Catalog dimension drawing no. (see page 41)
3AH3 722-2 ...	3150	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	50	75	73	137	125	50	1.6	160	220	538	170	350	S_325 00913	9	
3AH3 722-3 ...	4000	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	50	75	73	137	125	50	1.6	160	220	538	170	350	S_325 00597	9	
3AH3 722-4 ...	5000	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	50	75	73	137	125	50	1.6	160	207	293	170	470	S_325 00914	15	
3AH3 722-5 ...	6300	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	50	75	73	137	125	50	1.6	160	207	293	170	500	S_325 00910	15	
3AH3 723-2 ...	3150	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	63	65	86	173	125	50	1.6	160	220	538	170	350	S_325 00915	9	
3AH3 723-3 ...	4000	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	63	65	86	173	125	50	1.6	160	220	538	170	350	S_325 00909	9	
3AH3 723-4 ...	5000	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	63	65	86	173	125	50	1.6	160	207	293	170	470	S_325 00916	15	
3AH3 723-5 ...	6300	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	63	65	86	173	125	50	1.6	160	207	293	170	500	S_325 00911	15	
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3AH3 724-3 ...	4000	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	72	65	96	198	125	50	1.6	160	220	538	170	350	S_325 00918	9	
3AH3 724-4 ...	5000	300		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	72	65	96	198	125	50	1.6	160	207	293	170	470	S_325 00919	15	
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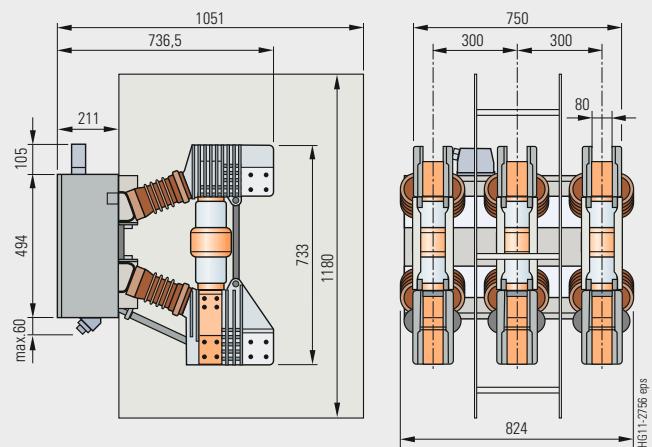
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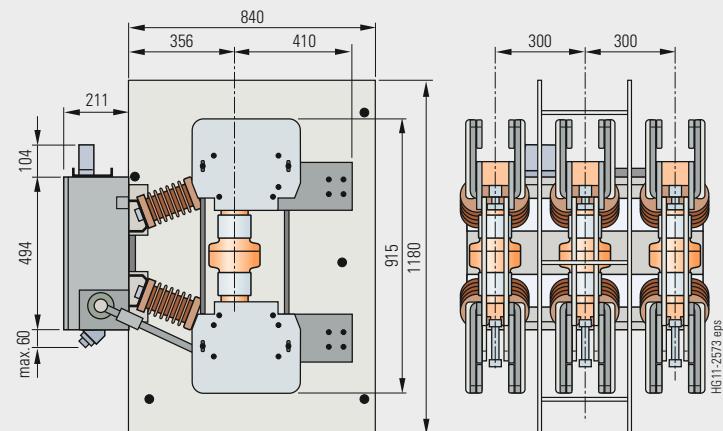
Number of operating cycles

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Dimension drawings for high-current and generator circuit-breakers 24 kV



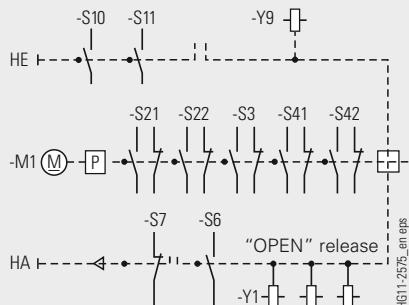
Dimension drawing 9



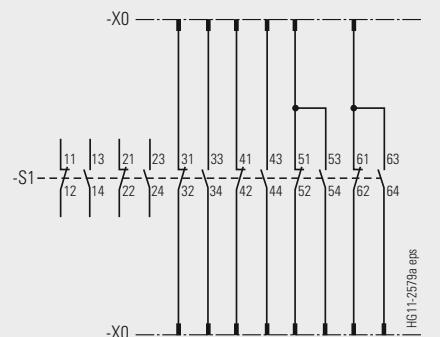
Dimension drawing 15

Circuit diagrams

The circuit diagrams shown here are examples from the manifold possibilities of circuit-breaker wiring.

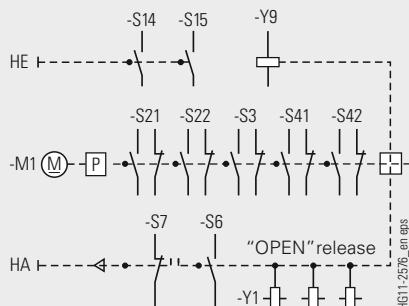


Manual closing – manual opening with auxiliary switch 6 NO + 6 NC

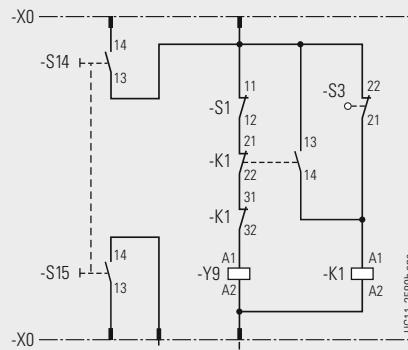


Contacts available for customer with basic circuit-breaker equipment and auxiliary switch 6 NO + 6 NC

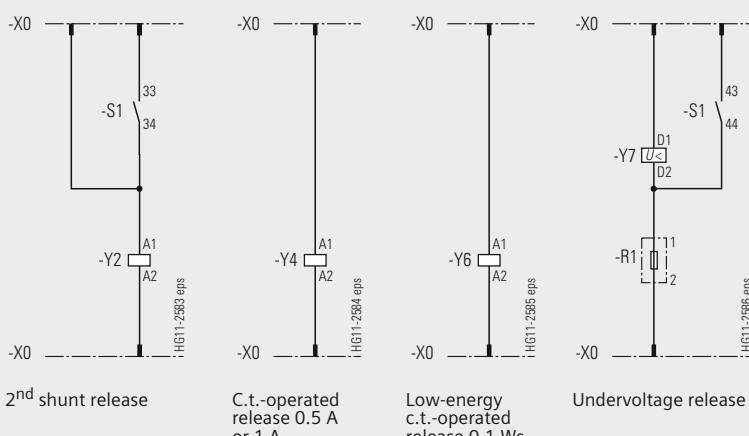
Additional equipment: Motor operating mechanism and auxiliary switch



Motor operating mechanism with manual electrical closing



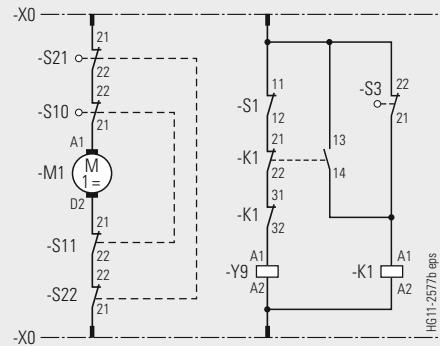
The available possible combinations are described in the chapter "Selection of secondary equipment".



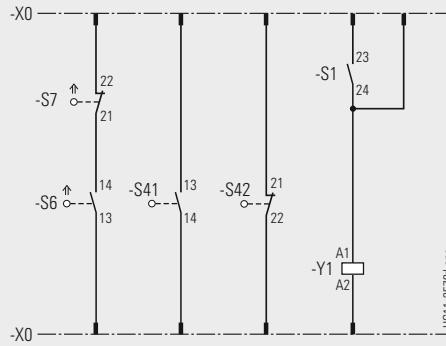
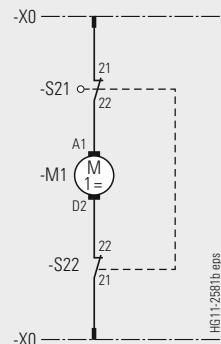
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Circuit diagrams (continued)

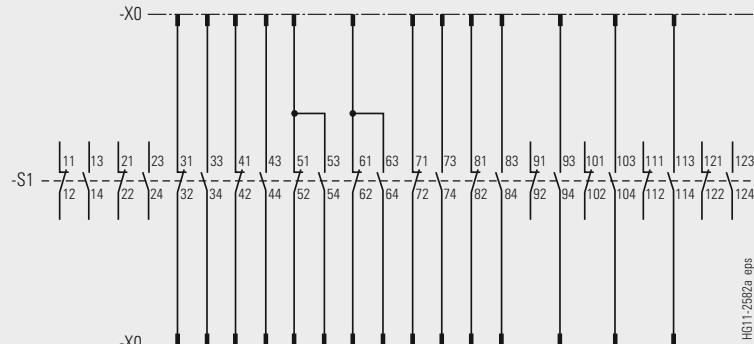
The circuit diagrams shown here are examples from the manifold possibilities of circuit-breaker wiring.



Motor operating mechanism with manual mechanical closing

Circuit-breaker tripping signal Signal "closing spring charged" 1st shunt release**Additional equipment: Motor operating mechanism and auxiliary switch (continued)**

Motor operating mechanism

Contacts available for customer with basic circuit-breaker equipment
Auxiliary switch -S1 (12 NO + 12 NC) instead of auxiliary switch 6 NO + 6 NC**Legend (also for page 42)**

HA	Manual opening
HE	Manual closing
K1	Contactor (anti-pumping)
M1	Motor operating mechanism
P	Energy store
R1	Resistance

S1	Auxiliary switch	S14,	Anti-pumping	X0	Lower part of plug/terminal strip
S3	Position switch (opens when closing spring is charged)	S15		Y1	1 st shunt release
S6	Circuit-breaker tripping signal	S21,	Position switches	Y2	2 nd shunt release
S7	Cutout switch for circuit-breaker tripping signal	S22	(to de-energize the motor operating mechanism after charging)	Y4	Current-transformer operated release
S10,	Anti-pumping for	S41,	Position switches	Y6	Low-energy current-transformer operated release
S11	manual closing	S42	(to indicate the charging state)	Y7	Undervoltage release
				Y9	Closing solenoid

Technical Data

3AH3 Vacuum Circuit-Breakers

Operating times, short-circuit protection of motors, consumption data of releases

Operating times

Operating times at rated voltage of the secondary circuit	Equipment of circuit-breaker	Operating time of circuit-breaker
Closing time	–	< 75 ms 1)
Opening time	1 st shunt release	< 60 ms 1)
	2 nd and 3 rd release	< 55 ms
Arcing time	–	< 15 ms
Break time	1 st shunt release	< 80 ms
	2 nd and 3 rd release	< 60 ms
Dead time	–	300 ms
CLOSE/OPEN contact time	1 st shunt release	< 90 ms
	2 nd and 3 rd release	< 70 ms
Minimum command duration	Closing solenoid	45 ms
	1 st shunt release	40 ms
	2 nd and 3 rd release	20 ms
Pulse time for circuit-breaker tripping signal	1 st shunt release	> 15 ms
	2 nd and 3 rd release	> 10 ms
Charging time for electrical operation	–	< 15 s
Synchronism error between the poles	–	≤ 2 ms

1) Shorter operating times on request.

Short-circuit protection of motors (fuse protection of drive motors)

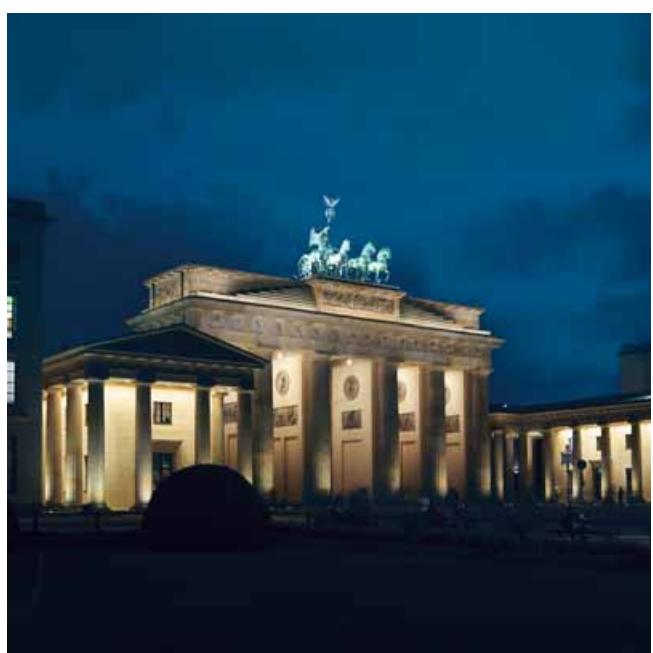
Rated voltage of the motor	Operating voltage		Power consumption of the motor		Smallest possible rated current ²⁾ of the m.c.b. (miniature circuit-breaker) with C-characteristic	
	V	max. V	min. V	W (at DC)	VA (at AC)	
24 DC	26	20	500	–	16	
48 DC	53	41	500	–	8	
60 DC	66	51	500	–	6	
110 DC	121	93	500	–	4	
220 DC	242	187	500	–	2	
110 AC	121	93	–	650	4	
230 AC	244	187	–	650	2	

2) The current inrush in the drive motor can be neglected due to its very short presence.

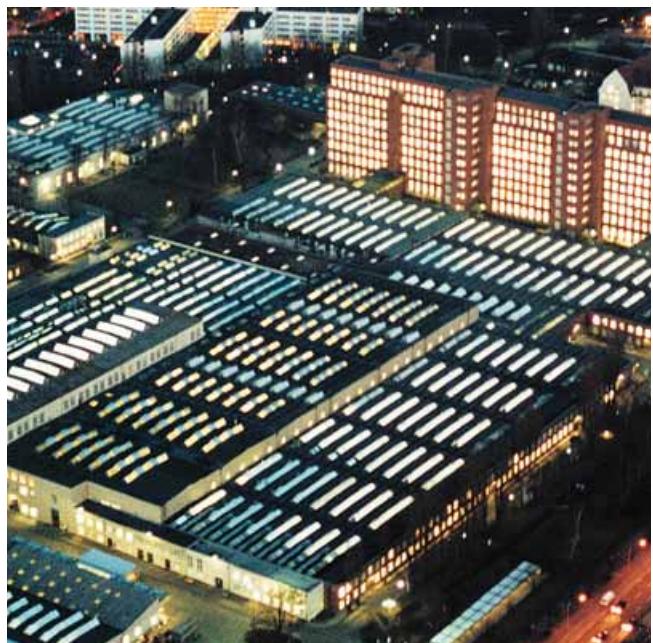
Consumption data of releases

Release	Power consumption		Tripping ranges	
	Operation at		Tripping voltage at DC	Tripping voltage or tripping current at AC 50/60 Hz
	DC approx. W	AC 50/60 Hz approx. VA		
Closing solenoid 3AY15 10	140	140	85 to 110 % U	85 to 110 % U
1 st shunt release (without energy store) 3AY15 10	140	140	70 to 110 % U	85 to 110 % U
2 nd shunt release (with energy store) 3AY11 01	70	50	70 to 110 % U	85 to 110 % U
Undervoltage release 3AY11 03	20	20	35 to 0 % U	35 to 0 % U
Current-transformer operated release 3AX11 02 (rated normal current 0.5 or 1 A)	–	10 ³⁾	–	90 to 110 % I_a
Current-transformer operated release 3AX11 04 (tripping pulse ≥ 0.1 Ws)	–	–	–	–

3) Consumption at pickup current (90 % of the rated normal current) and open armature.



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Inquiry concerning

- 3AH3 circuit-breaker
 3AH37/38 generator circuit-breaker

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- Submit an offer
 Call us
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Your address

Company

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Name

Street

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Technical Data

Other values

Rated voltage	<input type="checkbox"/> 7.2 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 24 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 36 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 40.5 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 17.5 kV <input type="checkbox"/> ___ kV
Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage	<input type="checkbox"/> 60 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 125 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 75 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 170 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 95 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 195 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 110 kV <input type="checkbox"/> ___ kV
Rated short-duration power-frequency withstand voltage	<input type="checkbox"/> 20 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 50 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 32 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 70 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 36 kV <input type="checkbox"/> 95 kV	<input type="checkbox"/> 38 kV <input type="checkbox"/> ___ kV
Rated short-circuit breaking current	<input type="checkbox"/> 31.5 kA <input type="checkbox"/> 63 kA	<input type="checkbox"/> 40 kA <input type="checkbox"/> 72 kA	<input type="checkbox"/> 50 kA	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ kA
Rated normal current	<input type="checkbox"/> 1250 A <input type="checkbox"/> 4000 A	<input type="checkbox"/> 2000 A <input type="checkbox"/> 5000 A	<input type="checkbox"/> 2500 A <input type="checkbox"/> 6300 A	<input type="checkbox"/> 3150 A <input type="checkbox"/> ___ A
Pole-centre distance	<input type="checkbox"/> 210 mm	<input type="checkbox"/> 275 mm	<input type="checkbox"/> 300 mm	<input type="checkbox"/> 350 mm

Secondary equipment

For possible combinations see pages 17 to 23

Circuit-breaker equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Manual mechanical closing <input type="checkbox"/> Manual electrical closing <input type="checkbox"/> Manual operating mechanism		
Motor operating mechanism	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V DC	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V AC, ___ Hz	
Closing solenoid	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V DC	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V AC, ___ Hz	
1 st shunt release	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V DC	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V AC, ___ Hz	
2 nd shunt release	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V DC	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V AC, ___ Hz	
Current-transformer operated release	<input type="checkbox"/> 0.5 A	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 A	<input type="checkbox"/> ≥ 0.1 Ws (10 Ω) <input type="checkbox"/> ≥ 0.1 Ws (20 Ω)
Undervoltage release	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V DC	<input type="checkbox"/> ___ V AC, ___ Hz	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Without energy store	<input type="checkbox"/> With energy store	
Auxiliary switch	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 NO + 6 NC	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 NO + 12 NC	
Low-voltage connection	<input type="checkbox"/> 24-pole terminal strip	<input type="checkbox"/> 24-pole plug	<input type="checkbox"/> 64-pole plug
<input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical interlocking			
Operating instructions	<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> German	<input type="checkbox"/> French
			<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish

Application and other requirements

 Please check off

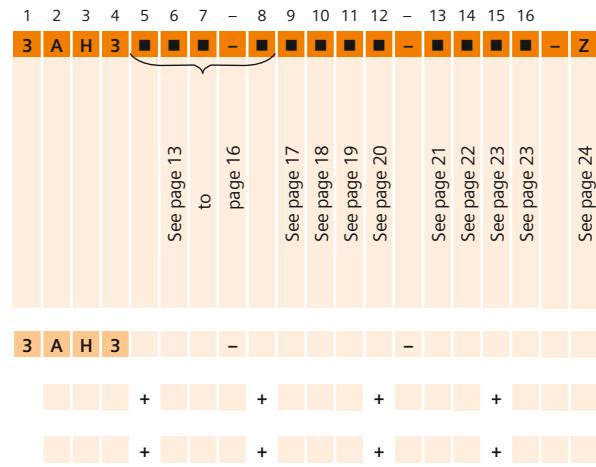
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Instruction for configuration of the 3AH3 vacuum circuit-breaker

1st step: Definition of the primary part (see pages 13 to 16)

<u>Please specify the following ratings:</u>	<u>Possible options:</u>
Rated voltage (U_r)	U_r : 7.2 kV to 40.5 kV
Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage (U_p)	U_p : 60 kV to 195 kV
Rated short-duration power-frequency withstand voltage (U_d)	U_d : 20 kV to 95 kV
Rated short-circuit breaking current (I_{sc})	I_{sc} : 31.5 kA to 72 kA
Rated normal current (I_r)	I_r : 1250 A to 6300 A
Pole-centre distance	210 mm to 350 mm

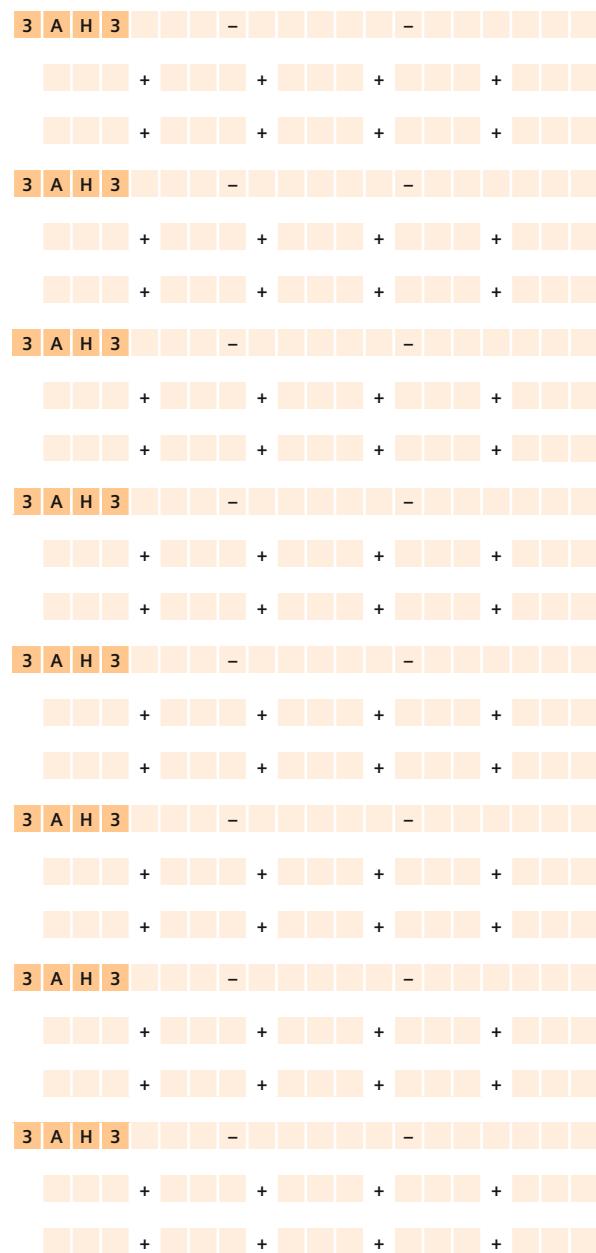
These ratings define the positions 4 to 8 of the order number.



2nd step: Definition of the secondary equipment (see pages 17 to 23)

<u>Please specify the following equipment features:</u>	<u>Possible options:</u>
Release combination (position 9)	Shunt release, current-transformer operated release and undervoltage release
Closing solenoid (position 10)	Operating voltages from 24 V DC to 240 V AC
Operating voltage of the releases (positions 11/12)	Operating voltages from 24 V DC to 240 V AC
Type of local closing (position 10)	Mechanical closing, manual electrical closing
Type of operating mechanism and operating voltage of a motor, if available (position 14)	Manual operating stored-energy mechanism, motor operating stored-energy mechanism with operating voltages from 24 V DC to 240 V AC
Number of auxiliary contacts (position 15)	6 NO + 6 NC, 12 NO + 12 NC
Design of the secondary connection (position 15)	24-pole terminal strip, 24-pole plug connector, 64-pole plug connector
Language of the documentation (position 16)	English, German, French, Spanish, other languages on request
Frequency of the operating voltage of the secondary equipment at AC (position 16)	50 Hz/60 Hz

These equipment features define the positions 9 to 16 of the order number.



3rd step: Do you have any further requirements concerning the equipment? (Please refer to page 24)

Should you still need more options than the possible special equipment like halogen-free and flame-retardant or silicone-free version, condensation protection or an additional rating plate, etc., please contact your responsible sales partner.



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