

AC busbar of switchgear



Article Overview

An AC busbar in switchgear serves as a central conductor that collects, distributes, and transmits electrical energy safely to multiple circuits and devices.

Core Function

The primary function of an AC busbar is to connect the incoming power source, such as a transformer, to various outgoing circuits or circuit breakers, acting as a transfer station for electrical energy within the switchgear . It ensures that electricity flows smoothly and evenly to all connected equipment, maintaining system reliability and operational efficiency .

Electrical Considerations

- **Current Carrying Capacity:** Busbars must be sized to handle the full-load current without overheating. The cross-sectional area, material (copper or aluminum), and installation method determine the maximum safe current .
- **Voltage and AC Operation:** AC busbars are designed to minimize losses due to the skin effect, which becomes significant at 50–60 Hz for thicker conductors. Flat or hollow shapes are often used to improve cooling and efficiency .
- **Short-Circuit Withstand:** Busbars must withstand high fault currents for short durations, which generate thermal and electrodynamic stresses. Proper support and spacing prevent deformation during faults .

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