

How to quote a low-voltage busbar bridge



Article Overview

Quoting a low-voltage busbar bridge requires specifying its current rating, material, dimensions, insulation, short-circuit capacity, and compliance with IEC 61439 standards.

Key Steps for Quoting

1. **Determine Electrical Requirements** Identify the rated current (I_r) the busbar must carry continuously without exceeding permissible temperature rise, and the short-circuit withstand capacity for fault conditions. Consider the diversity factor if multiple circuits share the busbar, as this affects the main busbar current requirement (e.g., a 2700 A total load with a 0.6 diversity factor results in 1620 A for the main busbar) .
2. **Select Material and Conductivity** Choose between copper or aluminum conductors. Copper offers higher conductivity (typically 99%) and better thermal performance, while aluminum is lighter and may be cost-effective for certain applications . Material choice affects both thermal limits and short-circuit performance.
3. **Define Physical Dimensions** Busbar thickness, width, and length must be calculated based on current rating, allowable temperature rise, and installation space. IEC 61439 provides guidance on permissible temperature limits (e.g., 140°C maximum for copper at 35°C ambient) and sizing formulas . Include any supports, inlays, or finger-safe covers required for safety and mechanical stability .
4. **Insulation and Protection** Specify the insulation type, degree of protection (IP rating), and any firewall penetration barriers if required. Low-voltage busbar bridges often include sandwich or encased designs to reduce impedance, voltage drop, and prevent accidental contact .
5. **Compliance an...**

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