INSTRUCTIONS

TRIPPING REACTORS

TYPE XBC11A

Switchgear

GENERAL ELECTRIC
SCHENECTADY, N.Y.

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TYPE XBC

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APPLICATION

Where a reliable direct-current tripping source is not available, tripping reactors, Fig. 1, may be used in conjunction with over-current relays to operate the trip coils of circuit breakers from the current in the secondaries of current transformers. A tripping reactor permits the use of a circuit closing contact and it reduces this relay's contact-closing duty by eliminating the excessive fault current from the contact circuit. At least one tripping reactor and one three-ampere trip coil are required for each overcurrent relay.

These reactors are designed to be used with trip circuits consisting of a 3 ampere trip coil and a l ampere target coil, Figs. 2 and 3, having a maximum impedance as shown in the paragraph entitled Trip-Circuit Burdens. To obtain the minimum contact closing duty a reactor should be used that has a trip-circuit rating just in excess of the trip-circuit burden. The secondary fault current must be in excess of four amperes to ensure positive tripping with the three ampere trip coil. The non-linear characteristic of the reactor may increase the operating time of the overcurrent relay, depending upon the accuracy of the current transformer used, if connected as in Fig. 3. An operational check will most easily determine its magnitude.

OPERATION

Prior to relay contact closure all of the secondary current from the current transformer must pass through the tripping reactor. After relay contact closure part of this current passes through the trip coil, the remainder, passing through the reactor. The tripping circuit should be so proportioned that sufficient current will always be available to energize the trip coil if the relay operates. This condition will be obtained if the trip circuit does not have a total burden including leads in excess of the values given in the tabulation found in the paragraph entitled Trip-Circuit Burdens. It is desirable, of course, to use the reactor with the lowest burden characteristics so as to keep to a minimum the total burden on the current transformer.

TRIP-CIRCUIT BURDENS

The XBC tripping reactors will carry trip circuit burdens rated in ohms for the three standard frequencies as follows:

Frequency	60	50	25
12XBC11A1	3	2.5	1.25
12XBC11A2	6	5.0	2,50.
12XBC11A3	12	10.0	5.00

THERMAL RATINGS

The XBC tripping reactors have continuous current ratings as follows:

12XBCllAl		10	amperes
12XBC11A2		7	amperes
12XBC11A3	-	5	amperes

These reactors will handle 100 ampere-fault current from the secondary of the current transformer for tripping duty and will limit the relay contact current to less than 10 amperes.

BURDEN

The burden imposed on the current transformer by the tripping reactor is not a fixed value, since the reactor is a saturating device, but has characteristics as shown in Fig. 4. Calculations involving tripping reactors should be performed by the use of these curves. When calculations are made at frequencies other than 60 cycles per sec., the reactor will develop a terminal volt of 50/60 and 25/60 of the curve values for the same current for 50 and 25 cycles respectively.

SHIPPING-UNPACKING-STORAGE

SHIPPING

The tripping reactor is shipped in a suitable container carefully packed to prevent damage during transit. If, upon receipt, injury or rough handling is evident, a damage claim should be filed at once with the transportation company and the nearest General Electric Sales Office should be notified.

Care should be exercised in unpacking the unit to avoid damage. Sharp instruments should not be pressed into the container for fear of injuring the unit.

STORAGE

The unit should be stored in a dry location. If it is accidentally immersed in water it should be unpacked and air dried immediately.

INSTALLATION

MOUNTING

The tripping reactor may be mounted in any position on the same panel with the over-current relays. The unit is provided with a suitable bracket for mounting on any flat surface by means of two bolts or screws. The drilling plan is shown in Fig. 5.

CONNECTIONS

External connections should be made by the use of the cup type terminals provided on each stud of the reactor. The leads between the reactor, relay, and trip coil should be as short and direct as possible. Under no condition should the total burden of the trip circuit exceed the amount as specified under the paragraph entitled Trip Circuit Burdens.

INSPECTION

After installation the circuit should be checked for proper operation by setting the relay for minimum operating current, which should not be less than four amperes, and current applied in the primary circuit of sufficient value to operate the relay. Correct installation will be noted by both relay and trip coil operation.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

With reasonable careful handling and treatment, tripping reactors should not require care or attention after they are installed other than periodic inspection or connections to see that they are clean and tight.

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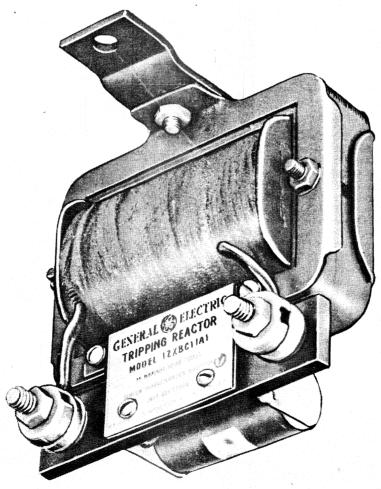
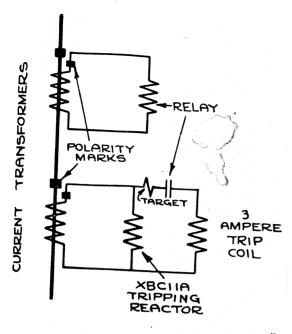


FIG. I
TRIPPING REACTOR TYPE XBGIIA



POLARITY MARKS

RELAY

CTARGET

AMPERE

TRIP
COIL

XBCIIA
TRIPPING
REACTOR

TWO CURRENT TRANSFORMERS

FIG. 2

ONE CURRENT TRANSFORMER

FIG. 3

TYPICAL REACTOR TRIPPING USING TYPE XBCIIA TRIPPING REACTORS.

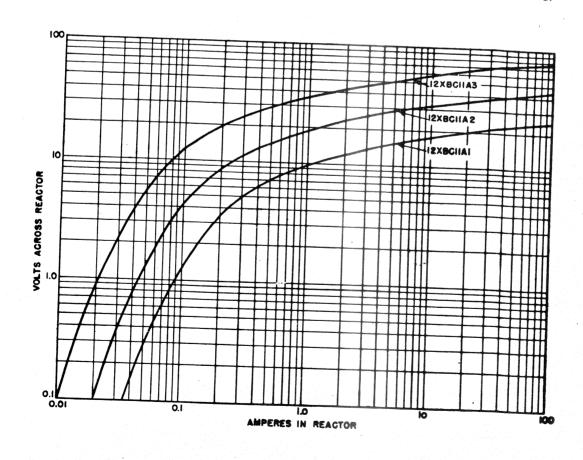
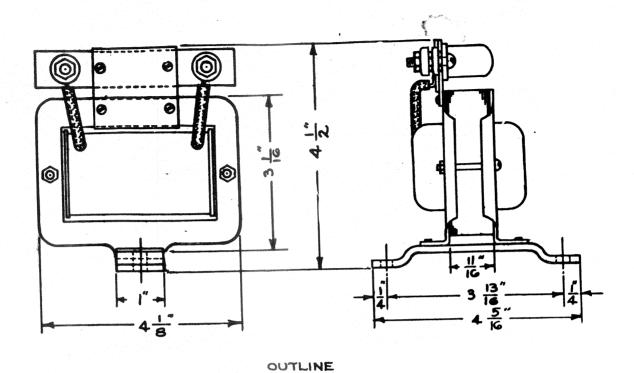


FIG. 4
60 CYCLE CHARACTERISTICS OF TYPE XBGIIA TRIPPING REACTORS.



PANEL DRILLING INTERNAL CONNECTIONS

FIG. 5
OUTLINE, PANEL DRILLING AND INTERNAL CONNECTIONS OF THE TYPE XBGIIA TRIPPING REACTOR.

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