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Installation Instructions for Alarm (Signal)/Lockout Switch for R-Frame Series C Circuit Breakers and Molded Case Switches



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1. INTRODUCTION

General Information

The alarm (signal)/lockout switch (ASL switch) is attached to a plug-in module and is available in both single and double switch versions (see Fig. 1-1). The plug-in module is mounted in slots in the accessory mounting deck in the right pole of the circuit breaker.

The ASL switch provides remote signaling and interlocking when the circuit breaker trips. It consists of one or two single-pole, double-throw (SPDT) switches. Each SPDT switch has a make (alarm) and a break (lockout) contact; it is mounted so that the switch actuator is controlled by the circuit breaker operating mechanism trip bar.



Fig. 1-1 Alarm (Signal)/Lockout Switch Installed in R-Frame Circuit Breaker

When the circuit breaker is in the ON or OFF position, the trip bar holds the make contact open and the break contact closed. When the circuit breaker is in the tripped position, the make contact is closed and the break contact is open. Any type of trip operation (for example, automatic trip, shunt trip, or undervoltage release) actuates the ASL switch.

Table 1-1 lists electrical ratings data for the ASL switch.

Table 1-1.Alarm (Signal)Lockout Switch Electrical
Ratings Data 102

Maximum Voltage (V)	Frequency	Maximum Current (A)	Dielectric Withstand Voltage (V)
600	50/60 Hz	6	2500
125	DC	0.53	
250	DC	0.253	

① Endurance - 500 electrical operations plus 2500 mechanical operations.

⁽²⁾ Pigtail wire size • No. 18 AWG (0.82 mm²).

③ Noninductive load.

The standard wiring configuration for the ASL switch is pigtail leads exiting the right side of the cover. An optional

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terminal block (Cat No. TBRD) may be mounted to the base on the right side of the circuit breaker to terminate attachment leads. The 18-inch (457.2 mm)long pigtail leads are color coded for identification; numbered identification labels are provided for pigtail leads.

This Instruction Leaflet (IL) gives detailed procedures for installing the ASL switch.

2. INSTALLATION

Note: The ASL switch can be field-installed in RD and RDC circuit breakers under UL File E64983.

The ASL switch can be field-installed in RW and RWC circuit breakers.

The ASL switch is listed for factory installation under UL File E7819.

Before attempting to install the ASL switch, check that the catalog number is correct and the rating of the accessory satisfies the job requirements.

The ASL switch, shown in kit form in Fig. 2-1, is installed in the right pole of a 3-, or 4-pole circuit breaker.



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Note: Internal accessories are most easily installed in a circuit breaker before it is mounted in an electrical system. Although it is recommended that a circuit breaker mounted in an electrical system be removed to install accessories, it is possible to perform this task in a mounted circuit breaker provided no voltage is present and proper safety precautions are followed.

2-1. Switch circuit breaker to OFF position.

Note: To install accessory, circuit breaker must be in tripped position.

2-2. Press PUSH-TO-TRIP button to trip operating mechanism.

Note: The cover holds the handle in position. Attention should be paid to the orientation of the handle on the handle arm when the coveris removed. The handle must be re-installed in the same position.

- 2-3. Remove cover screws, cover, and handle.
- 2-4. Install ASL switch as described in the following steps:

Note: For ease of installation, auxiliary switch accessories (if used) should be installed in the accessory mounting deck before the ASL switch or other accessories.

- a. Select position for ASL switch on accessory mounting deck (see Fig. 2-2).
- b. Place legs of ASL switch mounting bracket into slots in attachment mounting deck.
- c. Slide the ASL switch toward the line end of the circuit breaker until the retaining clip snaps into recess in deck (see Fig. 2-3).
- 2-5. Attach a "B" wire marking label and a numbered wire marking label to the bundle of three leads for each switch. Numbered labels are used to differentiate one ASL switch from another. Labels marked "1" through "6" are provided to permit the installation of the maximim of three 2-switch assemblies. Labels marked "B" are used to show the difference between ASL switch leads and those for the auxiliary switch. Auxiliary switch leads (when used) use the same color code but are labeled "A".



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- 2-6. Attach cable tie mounting pad to side of circuit breaker (see Fig. 2-4 for location). Route leads to mounting pad. Ensure leads line up with slot in cover and are clear of all moving parts. Secure leads to mounting pad with cable tie. Leads from multiple accessories may be secured by a single cable tie and mounting pad (see Fig. 2-3).
- 2-7. Remove barrier indicated in Fig. 2-4 from cover accessory lead slot.

WHEN INSTALLING CIRCUIT BREAKER COVER, MAKE SURE THAT ALL INTERNAL PARTS ARE IN PLACE:

• HANDLE MUST BE HELD IN PLACE ON HANDLE ARM AS COVER IS BEING INSTALLED. LOCATE HANDLE SO THAT THE GREEN TABS ARE CLOSEST TO THE LINE-END OF THE CIRCUIT BREAKER.

• PIGTAIL LEADS ARE CLEAR OF COVER.

- 2-8. With circuit breaker in TRIPPED position and accessory pigtail leads routed as required, install circuit breaker cover. Torque cover screws to 24 in-lbs (2.71 Nm).
- 2-9. Position accessory labels supplied with kit on circuit breaker as shown in Fig. 2-4.

Note: Accessory labels show connection diagram for ASL switch contacts. Pigtail leads are color coded red, black, and blue.

- 2-10. Test ASL switch by connecting continuity tester or ohmmeter across pigtail leads or terminal block connections. Check continuity as follows:
 - a. Circuit breaker handle OFF -Check that make contact is open and break contact is closed.
 - b. Circuit breaker handle ON -Check that make contact is open and break contact is closed.
 - Press PUSH-TO-TRIP button -Check that make contact is closed and break contact is open.
 - d. If ASL switch fails test, make sure that module is properly seated in mounting deck slots. If problem persists, contact Eaton.
- 2-11. Install circuit breaker.
- 2-12. Connect accessory leads as required (see Fig. 2-4).

Eaton assumes no responsibility for malfunctioning accessories installed improperly by the customer.



Fig. 2-1 Alarm (Signal)/Lockout Switch Kit.



Fig. 2-2 Accessory Location Diagram.

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Fig. 2-3 ASL Switch Positioned and Locked in Mounting Panel.



Fig. 2-4 Preferred Mounting Locations for Accessory Nameplate Labels.

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Fig. 2-5 Alarm (Signal)/Lockout Switch Connection Diagram.

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