

Height of the low-voltage chamber busbar bridge



Overview

LOW VOLTAGE INSTALLATION SPECIFICATION Busbars shall be mounted in the top section of the assembly and shall be rigidly supported by means of approved insul.

Key Takeaways

The height of a low-voltage chamber busbar bridge varies depending on the system design, busbar size, and manufacturer, typically ranging from 100 mm to 300 mm for standard low-voltage assemblies.

General Guidelines

The height of a busbar bridge in low-voltage switchgear or busbar trunking systems is influenced by several factors: Busbar dimensions and current rating: Larger busbars carrying higher currents require greater spacing and support, which increases the overall height of the bridge. Insulation and clearance requirements: IEC 61439 specifies minimum clearances between phases and to the enclosure to prevent electrical arcing and ensure safety. Modular design of busbar systems: Many low-voltage busbar bridges are modular, allowing for adjustable heights to accommodate different configurations and tap-off units.

Finger-safe covers and supports: Safety covers and inlay parts for busbar thickness add to the total height of the bridge.



Typical Height Ranges

Small low-voltage assemblies: 100–150 mm, suitable for currents up to 400–630 A. Medium assemblies: 150–200 mm, for currents up to 1000 A. Large or high-current assemblies: 200–300 mm or more, depending on the number of phases, busbar thickness, and spacing requirements.

Standards Compliance

The height must comply with IEC 61439 and related standards (BS EN 61439-6 for busbar trunking systems), which define: Minimum clearances for electrical safety. Mechanical support and structural integrity. Thermal performance limits to prevent overheating.

Recommendation

For precise height specifications, consult the manufacturer's datasheet for the specific busbar bridge or trunking system, as dimensions vary by model, current rating, and installation requirements. Standardized modular systems often provide adjustable or configurable heights to meet project-specific needs.

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Busbars shall be mounted in the top section of the assembly and shall be rigidly supported by means of approved insulated busbar clamps (at intervals not exceeding 500mm) to prevent damage resulting

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A typical example would be when the busbar must lie close to the top of the switchboard, when avoiding other services or when there is reduced head height above the switchgear.

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Busbar supports 1) 3P/5P Flat copper profiles Rated operational voltage Ue IEC UL 508 Short-circuit current Article No. rating SCCR 3-pole

IEC 61439 Busbar Standard: A Guide to Low-Voltage

Figure 1: Busbar Standard Scope of IEC 61439 The IEC 61439 standard applies to busbar assemblies that will be installed in electrical

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