26 22 00_LOW-VOLTAGE TRANSFORMERS

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

A. General purpose transformers.
B. K-factor transformers rated for nonlinear loads.
C. Small power centers.

1.2 RELATED REQUIREMENTS

A. Section 260526 - Grounding and Bonding for Electrical Systems.
B. Section 260553 - Identification for Electrical Systems: Identification products and requirements.

1.3 REFERENCE STANDARDS

B. IEEE C57.94 - IEEE Recommended Practice for Installation, Application, Operation, and Maintenance of Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers; 2015.
D. NECA 1 - Standard for Good Workmanship in Electrical Construction; 2015.
E. NECA 409 - Standard for Installing and Maintaining Dry-Type Transformers; 2015.
F. NEMA ST 20 - Dry-Type Transformers for General Applications; 2014.
G. NEMA 250 - Enclosures for Electrical Equipment (1000 Volts Maximum); 2018.
H. NFPA 70 - National Electrical Code; Most Recent Edition Adopted by Authority Having Jurisdiction, Including All Applicable Amendments and Supplements.
J. UL 1561 - Standard for Dry-Type General Purpose and Power Transformers; Current Edition, Including All Revisions.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data: Include voltage, kVA, impedance, tap configurations, insulation system class and rated temperature rise, efficiency, sound level, enclosure ratings, outline and support point dimensions, weight, required clearances, service condition requirements, and installed features.

B. Maintenance Data: Include recommended maintenance procedures and intervals.

1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Conform to requirements of NFPA 70.

1.6 FIELD CONDITIONS

A. Ambient Temperature: Do not exceed the following maximum temperatures during and after installation of transformers.

1. Greater than 10 kVA: 104 degrees F maximum.
2. Less than 10 kVA: 77 degrees F maximum.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

A. Basis of Design: Schneider Electric; Square D Products

B. C. Schneider Electric; Square D Products: www.schneider-electric.us/#sle.


2.2 TRANSFORMERS - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

A. Description: Factory-assembled, dry type transformers for 60 Hz operation designed and manufactured in accordance with NEMA ST 20 and listed, classified, and labeled as suitable for the purpose intended.

B. Core: High grade, non-aging silicon steel with high magnetic permeability and low hysteresis and eddy current losses. Keep magnetic flux densities substantially below saturation point, even at 10 percent primary overvoltage. Tightly clamp core laminations to prevent plate movement and maintain consistent pressure throughout core length.

C. Impregnate core and coil assembly with non-hygroscopic thermo-setting varnish to effectively seal out moisture and other contaminants.

D. Basic Impulse Level: 10 kV.
E. Ground core and coil assembly to enclosure by means of a visible flexible copper grounding strap.

F. Isolate core and coil from enclosure using vibration-absorbing mounts.

G. Nameplate: Include transformer connection data, ratings, wiring diagrams, and overload capacity based on rated winding temperature rise.

H. Dry-Type Transformers shall not be used outdoors unless totally enclosed and with resin encapsulated core and coils. The use of outdoor transformers shall be approved by the University prior to the final design.

I. The use of three phase Delta secondary connected transformers with a high-leg shall not be utilized without written consent from the University. If permitted for use by the University the line to neutral load shall not exceed 20% of the of the rated kVA of the transformer.

J. The use of Buck-Boost Transformers and Autotransformers shall not be utilized without written consent from the University.

2.3 GENERAL PURPOSE TRANSFORMERS

A. Description: Self-cooled, two winding transformers listed and labeled as complying with UL 506 or UL 1561; ratings as indicated on the drawings.

B. Primary Voltage: 480 volts delta, 3 phase or as required.

C. Secondary Voltage: 208Y/120 volts, 3 phase or as required.

D. Insulation System and Allowable Average Winding Temperature Rise:
   1. Less than 15 kVA: Class 180 degrees C insulation system with 115 degrees C average winding temperature rise.
   2. 15 kVA and Larger: Class 220 degrees C insulation system with 150 degrees C average winding temperature rise.

E. Coil Conductors: Continuous copper windings with terminations brazed or welded.

F. Winding Taps:
   1. Less than 3 kVA: None.
   2. 3 kVA through 15 kVA: Two 5 percent full capacity primary taps below rated voltage.
   3. 15 kVA through 300 kVA: Two 2.5 percent full capacity primary taps above and four 2.5 percent full capacity primary taps below rated voltage.
   4. 500 kVA and Larger: Two 2.5 percent full capacity primary taps above and two 2.5 percent full capacity primary taps below rated voltage.

G. Energy Efficiency: Comply with the latest energy codes for transformers.
H. Sound Levels: Standard sound levels complying with NEMA ST 20.

I. Mounting Provisions:
   1. Less than 15 kVA: Suitable for wall mounting.
   2. 15 kVA through 75 kVA: Suitable for wall, floor, or trapeze mounting.
   3. Larger than 75 kVA: Suitable for floor mounting.

J. Transformer Enclosure: Comply with NEMA ST 20.
   1. Environment Type per NEMA 250: Unless otherwise indicated, as specified for the following installation locations:
   2. Construction: Steel.
      a. Less than 15 kVA: Totally enclosed, non-ventilated.
      b. 15 kVA and Larger: Ventilated.
   3. Finish: Manufacturer's standard grey, suitable for outdoor installations.

K. Accessories:
   1. Mounting Brackets: Provide manufacturer's standard brackets.
   2. Lug Kits: Sized as required for termination of conductors as indicated on the drawings.

2.4 K-FACTOR TRANSFORMERS RATED FOR NONLINEAR LOADS

A. Description: Self-cooled, two winding transformers listed and labeled as complying with UL 1561, and designed to supply nonlinear loads to the degree designated by the UL defined K-factor; ratings as indicated on the drawings.

B. Primary Voltage: 480 volts delta, 3 phase or as required.

C. Secondary Voltage: 208Y/120 volts, 3 phase or as required.

D. K-factor Rating: K-4, or higher.

E. Insulation System and Allowable Average Winding Temperature Rise: Class 220 degrees C insulation system with 150 degrees C average winding temperature rise.

F. Coil Conductors: Continuous copper windings with terminations brazed or welded. Individually insulate secondary conductors and arrange to minimize hysteresis and eddy current losses at harmonic frequencies. Size secondary neutral conductor at twice the secondary phase conductor ampacity.

G. Winding Taps: Two 2.5 percent full capacity primary taps above and four 2.5 percent full capacity primary taps below rated voltage.

H. Neutral Bus: Sized to accommodate twice the rated secondary current.

I. Energy Efficiency: Comply with 10 CFR 431, Subpart K.
J. Sound Levels: Standard sound levels complying with NEMA ST 20.

K. Mounting Provisions:
   1. Up to 75 kVA: Suitable for wall, floor, or trapeze mounting.
   2. Larger than 75 kVA: Suitable for floor mounting.

L. Electrostatic Shield: Provide grounded copper electrostatic shield between primary and secondary windings to attenuate electrical noise.

   1. Environment Type per NEMA 250: Unless otherwise indicated, as specified for the following installation locations:
   2. Construction: Steel, ventilated.
   3. Finish: Manufacturer's standard grey, suitable for outdoor installations.
   4. Provide lifting eyes or brackets.

N. Accessories:
   1. Mounting Brackets: Provide manufacturer's standard brackets.
   2. Lug Kits: Sized as required for termination of conductors as indicated on the drawings.

2.5 SMALL POWER CENTERS

A. Description: Factory assembled unit with integral primary circuit breaker, transformer, and distribution section with secondary main and branch circuit breakers; ratings and panel arrangements as indicated on the drawings.

B. Primary Voltage: 480 volts delta, 3 phase or as required.

C. Secondary Voltage: 208Y/120 volts, 3 phase or as required.

D. Insulation System and Allowable Average Winding Temperature Rise:
   1. Less than 15 kVA: Class 180 degrees C insulation system with 115 degrees C average winding temperature rise.
   2. 15 kVA and Larger: Class 220 degrees C insulation system with 150 degrees C average winding temperature rise.

E. Coil Conductors: Continuous windings.

F. Winding Taps: Two 5 percent full capacity primary taps below rated voltage.

G. Energy Efficiency: Comply with 10 CFR 431, Subpart K.

H. Sound Levels: Standard sound levels complying with NEMA ST 20.
I. Mounting Provisions: Suitable for wall mounting.

J. Unit Enclosure:
   1. Environment Type per NEMA 250: Type 3R.
   2. Construction: Steel.
   3. Finish: Manufacturer's standard grey, suitable for outdoor installations.
   4. Provide lifting eyes or brackets.
   5. Provide lockable hinged door for compartment housing circuit breakers.

K. Provide unit listed as suitable for use as service entrance.

L. Secondary Distribution Panel:
   1. Bus: Copper.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

A. Perform work in accordance with NECA 1 (general workmanship).

B. Install products in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

C. Install transformers in accordance with NECA 409 and IEEE C57.94.

D. Use flexible conduit, 2 feet minimum length, for connections to transformer case. Make conduit connections to side panel of enclosure.

E. Arrange equipment to provide minimum clearances as specified on transformer nameplate and in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and NFPA 70.

F. Install transformers plumb and level.

G. Transformer Support:
   1. Provide required support, where not furnished by transformer manufacturer.
   2. Use integral transformer flanges, accessory brackets furnished by manufacturer, or field-fabricated supports to support wall-mounted transformers.
   3. Unless otherwise indicated, mount floor-mounted transformers on properly sized 3 inch high concrete pad.
   4. Suspension of transformers shall only be utilized when all other options have been evaluated and written approval by the University is granted. Use trapeze hangers assembled from threaded rods and metal channel (strut) to support suspended transformers smaller than 75 kVA only after exhausting all possibilities of not suspending the transformer. Provide independent support from building structure. Do not provide support from piping, ductwork, or other systems.
H. Provide grounding and bonding in accordance with Section 26 05 26.

I. Where not factory-installed, install lugs sized as required for termination of conductors as indicated.

J. Identify transformers in accordance with Section 26 05 53.

PART 4 END OF SECTION