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27 **Foreword**

28 This document [EN 50123-6:2003/prAA:2013] has been prepared by CLC/SC 9XC "Electric supply and
29 earthing systems for public transport equipment and ancillary apparatus (Fixed installations)".

30 This document is currently submitted to the Enquiry.

31 This amendment was elaborated to provide guidance to the requirement of 6.6.3, Internal arcing, that gas or
32 vapour escaping under pressure does not endanger operating staff.

EN 50123-6:2003/prAA:2013**33 2 Normative references**

34 *Add the following references:*

35 EN 50123-1:2003, *Railway applications – Fixed installations – D.C. switchgear – Part 1: General*

36 EN 50123-7-1:2003, *Railway applications – Fixed installations – D.C. switchgear – Part 7-1: Measurement, control and protection devices for specific use in d.c. traction systems – Application guide*

38 3 Definitions

39 *Replace Clause 3 by the following:*

40 3 Terms and definitions

41 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 50123-1:2003 and the following
42 apply.

43 3.1**44 internal arc**

45 arcing within a switchgear assembly arising from a fault between active parts and/or between active parts and
46 other conductive parts

47 3.2**48 rated short-circuit current under internal arcing conditions (I_{Narc})**

49 current, during the test duration/150 ms, indicating the maximum allowable value of sustained short-circuit
50 current at the terminals of the incoming unit for which the requirements of this test specification are fulfilled

51 Note 1 to entry: The value is the maximum value of the prospective sustained short-circuit current.

52 3.3**53 compartment under test**

54 compartment of a switchgear assembly which is subject to an internal arc test

55 8 Tests**56 8.2 List of the applicable tests**

57 *Add the following at the end of Table 2:*

Internal arc test	Type, optional	8.3.9
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59 8.3 Performance of tests

60 *Add the following after 8.3.8:*

61 8.3.9 Internal arc test

62 The internal arc test is an optional type test. The test shall be performed according to the procedure specified
63 in Annex B. The criteria for successful passing are given in B.5.

64 **Add the following after Annex A:**

65 **Annex B** 66 **(normative)**

67 **Method for testing under conditions of arcing due to an internal fault** 68

69 **B.1 Purpose of the test**

70 Annex B applies to metal-enclosed d.c. switchgear assemblies - hereafter called ASSEMBLIES - used in
71 indoor stationary installations.

72 The test procedure described below is intended

73 — to assess the ability of the ASSEMBLY to limit the risk of personal injury,

74 — to verify the effectiveness of the design in protecting persons,

75 in case of an internal arc.

76 The testing conditions take into account that ASSEMBLIES are installed in areas restricted to authorised
77 personnel.

78 NOTE This is equivalent to accessibility class A of EN 62271-200:2012.

79 **B.2 Characteristics – Rated short-circuit current under internal arcing** 80 **conditions (I_{Narc})**

81 Value of the rated short-circuit current shall be equal to the rated earth fault current I_{Ncwe} . The peak of the
82 short-circuit current value is conventionally assumed to be 1,42 times the prospective sustained short-circuit
83 current (fault of negligible impedance).

84 NOTE The current level during internal arcing depends on the earthing of the switchboard frame (see
85 EN 50123-7-1:2003, 6.5.7). High fault currents can be expected where the switchboard frame is

86 – directly connected to the return circuit as shown in EN 50123-7-1:2003, 6.5.7, Figure 4b, or

87 – connected to substation earth as shown in EN 50123-7-1:2003, 6.5.7, Figure 4a, and a fast acting,

88 – voltage limiting device is installed between substation earth and the return circuit.

89 Lower fault currents can be expected where the bedding resistance of the track and the earth resistance limit the fault
90 current

91 **B.3 Test arrangements**

92 **B.3.1 Test specimen**

93 The test shall be carried out on representative samples. In case of an ASSEMBLY with a continuous main
94 busbar, consisting of extensible (modular) standalone units, the test specimen shall consist of minimum three
95 units connected together as in service.

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96 The following points shall be observed.

97 — The test shall be carried out on a test specimen not previously subjected to an arcing test or on a
 98 specimen cleaned and prepared accordingly. The specimen and the equipment in it may be repaired or
 99 replaced before each test.

100 NOTE Degradation of insulation due to carbonisation or moderate erosion of metal parts is not necessarily
 101 considered to render a unit unsuitable for a further test.

102 — The test specimen shall be placed in an open area and shall be fixed by its designed means.

103 — Vertical indicators shall be installed all around.

104 — A ceiling shall be located at a distance of (200 ± 50) mm from the upper part of the test specimen unless
 105 differently stated by the manufacturer.

106 If a test specimen includes a roof according to the following specification and as shown in Figure B.1 it
 107 shall be tested with the roof installed and an additional ceiling is not required. The roof

108 — covers the top surface completely and

109 — is of a protection degree of IPX1 or higher and

110 — mounted at minimum distance to the top of the ASSEMBLY lower than 200 mm.

111 — The test specimen shall be fully equipped. Earthing and bonding shall be as for normal service.

112 — Mock-ups of internal components are permitted provided that

113 — they have the same volume and shape, and a similar external material as the original items,

114 — any metallic external material is earthed in a similar manner to normal service.

115 — All doors and covers provided are closed.

116 — The test specimen shall be earthed at the earthing point provided.

117 — Secondary devices need not be installed if inside a separate compartment for control circuits. Means for
 118 wiring from the control compartment to the compartment under test shall be installed.

119 **B.3.2 Test circuit**

120 A typical diagram of the test circuit is shown in EN 50123-1:2003, Figure A.1, with typical calibration and
 121 characteristics shown in EN 50123-1:2003, Figure A.2. The supply source S feeds a circuit comprising
 122 adjustable resistors R, adjustable reactors L and the test object A.

123 If the supply source is not a generator, then the minimum converter pulse number shall be 6 with a minimum
 124 supply frequency of 50 Hz.

125 The test circuit shall produce a peak current with the characteristic illustrated as calibration 1 in
 126 EN 50123-1:2003, Figure A.2.

127 **B.3.3 Voltage**

128 The applied voltage of the test circuit shall be equal to the rated voltage U_{Ne} .

129 **B.3.4 Duration of the test**

130 The test duration shall be 150 ms.

131 **B.4 Test procedure**

132 **B.4.1 Supply circuit**

133 The test sample is connected and supplied corresponding to the normal service arrangement. The earthing of
134 the enclosure is to be connected to the negative conductor of the supply source.

135 Infeed and earth connection shall be to the same switchgear panel.

136 Any device (for example, protection relay or direct overcurrent release) that may automatically trip the circuit
137 before the end of the prospective duration of the test shall be made inoperative or ineffective during the test.

138 If compartments or functional units are equipped with devices intended to limit the duration of the arc itself by
139 other means (for example, by transferring the current to a metallic short circuit), they shall be made inoperative
140 or ineffective during the test.

141 **B.4.2 Arc initiation**

142 Each compartment containing main supply voltage shall be tested in a typical configuration. Tests with the
143 following locations for arc initiation shall be performed:

144 — main busbar to closest earthed part;

145 — cable connection to closest earthed part;

146 — circuit breaker or disconnector to closest earthed part.

147 The compartment under test and inside the point of initiation shall be located at the furthest point, downstream
148 in the current path from the supply. Note it is assumed that the most onerous conditions are met by using the
149 furthest point downstream.

150 An additional test on the main busbar shall be performed in the panel next to panel under test if an open
151 busbar system without or with reduced segregation is used.

152 NOTE This test is to verify that a possibly different footpoint does not lead to a hazard.

153 Circuit breakers shall be and remain closed during the tests.

154 Compartments containing main supply voltage and protected by fuses need to tested as follows.

155 — Compartments which contains fuses have to be tested once upstream of the fuse nearest to the operators
156 wall.

157 — Compartments which are protected by type-tested current-limiting fuses external to the compartment shall
158 be tested with the fuse type that causes the highest cut-off current (let-through current). The actual
159 duration of the current flow will be controlled by the fuses.

160 — A compartment needs not to be tested if the circuit is protected by a fuse (≤ 60 A) external to the
161 compartment

162 The arc shall be initiated by means of a bare copper ignition wire connected between live part and nearest
163 earthed part.