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DC switch disconnectors and DC disconnectors for outdoor overhead line railway applications OL-DC 3-3150-40 LBS and ARC

- Nominal voltage 3 kV DC - Rated current 3150 A


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DRIESCHER - Know-how puts on track for success
DRIESCHER can look back proudly on over 80 years of tradition in manufacture of switchgear and switching devices. Our railway switches solutions have been used across the world for decades. They deliver impressive performance in all kinds of climatic zones and in the toughest applications thanks to their robust construction and extreme durability.

## General description

The Overhead Line DC (OL-DC) product line is Driescher's range of products for all DC railways up to 3 kV . The OL-DC line is specially designed to supply electric railways and is used to connect or disconnect overhead contact line sections and for direct supply from the substation. The 2-pole design can also operate parallel overhead contact wire sections. The disconnectors and switch disconnectors are developed to comply with international standards as set out in DIN EN 50123 Part 1 and Part 4 and meet the most stringent requirements.

Both the disconnectors and switch disconnectors have a standardised visible isolating distance and are designed for an operating current of 3150 A @ 3.6 kV and a short-time withstand current of 40 kA .

Thanks to its advanced design, the OL-DC 3-3150-40-LBS switch disconnector meets the requirements for utilization category III at full rated voltage and nominal current. The switch disconnector is able to switch ON and OFF at least 50 switching cycles at these conditions.

## OL-DC 3-3150-40

- Disconnector utilization category I fully typtested in accordance with DIN EN 50123-1 and 4
- Switch disconnector utilization category III fully typtestd in accordance with DIN EN 50123-1 and 4
- Space-saving centre drive or optional side drive ${ }^{1)}$
- Optional drive extensions
- Optional auxiliary switch up to 8 contacts in IP65 sealed aluminium housing
- Drive via rod or Flexball
- Optional 2-pole design with adaptation

The use of exceptionally durable materials and advanced coating systems means that the switchgear from the OL-DC product line are ideally suited for use in all common outdoor conditions, including heavy icing (see Fig.1) up to 10 mm (in accordance with DIN EN 62271 Part 102 Class 10). All live parts are made up high-grade exceptionally low resistance ETP copper. In addition, all contact parts are silver coated, reducing contact resistance to a minimum. This contributes to incredibly efficient and low-loss power transmission and thus to a reduction in carbon footprint. The OL-DC line is designed for decades of use on the line. ${ }^{2)}$

With its consistent modular construction, a OL-DC switchgear can be adapted for almost all usage conditions.


Fig. 1: Ice test on OL-DC

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## Construction



Fig. 2: OL-DC-LBS

1 Arc quenches
for switch disconnectors, for disconnectors either in or without conventional shorter design

## 2 Screening

against snow, ice and to reduce ingress of dirt from the surroundings
3 Main circuit 3150 A
with connections for up to eight cables on both sides. The moving side must be designed with a high flexibility connecting cable.
4 ELR (extra low resistance) contact system
(1) Exceptionally low contact resistance due to large number of individual contacts
(2) Ideal current distribution thanks to high contact forces and optimised contact geometry
(3) Extremely wear resistant with maximum mechanical service life
(4) Flexible individual contact fingers can be adapted to any angular position
(5) Self-cleaning effect due to advanced design
(6) Tried and tested for decades for FLa, FTr and MCS
(7) Optimum heat dissipation (air gap between individual plates results in excellent cooling)

## 5 Durable composite isolators

With exceptionally high arcing distance and high creepage distance, insensitive to external mechanical influences

6 Hinge for switch operation
Switch disconnector shown. Different for disconnector

## 7 Space-saving base frame

For easy installation on mast heads. Switch disonnectors include a quick-switching mechanism with the same dimensions.

Technical data

| OL-DC 3-3150-40-... | Disconnector -ARC | Switch disconnector -LBS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Electrical specifications |  |  |
| Nominal voltage [kV DC] $U_{n}$ | 3 | 3 |
| Rated voltage [kV DC] $U_{\text {Ne }}$ | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Rated insulation voltage [kV DC] $U_{N m}$ | 4.8 | 4.8 |
| Overvoltage level OV | 4 | 4 |
| Rated impulse withstand voltage [kV] <br> - Phase - phase / Phase - earth <br> - across the isolating distance | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 48 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 48 \end{aligned}$ |
| Power frequency withstand voltage level [kV] $U_{a}$ <br> - Phase - phase / Phase - earth <br> - across the isolating distance | $\begin{array}{r} 18.5 \\ 22,2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18.5 \\ 22,2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Rated continuous current [A] $I_{\text {Ne }}$ | 3150 | 3150 |
| Rated short-time withstand current [kA] $I_{\text {Now }}$ | 40@ 1/4 s | 40@ $1 / 4$ s |
| Short-circuit current [kA] $I_{\text {ss }}$ | 40 | 40 |
| Rated short-circuit current [kA] $I_{\text {Nss }}$ | 57 | 57 |
| Breaking capacity [A] | - | 3150 |
| Making capacity [A] | - | 3150 |
| Rated short-circuit making capacity [kA] | 40 | 40 |
| Utilization category | 1 | III |
| Isolator specifications |  |  |
| Minimum gap phase - earth [mm] | 251 | 251 |
| Minimum gap over isolating distance [mm] | 270 | 270 |
| Creepage distance length, approx. [mm] | 394 | 394 |
| Degree of pollution | PD4A | PD4A |
| Mechanical specifications |  |  |
| Dimensions <br> - Height, approx. [mm] <br> - Width [mm] <br> - Depth [mm] | $\begin{array}{r} 764 \\ 300 \\ 530 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1193 \\ 300 \\ 530 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Weight, approx. ${ }^{3)}$ [kg] | 27 | 28 |
| Switching parameter <br> - Throw ${ }^{4)}$ [mm] <br> - Recommended drive torque, approx. ${ }^{5)}$ [Nm] <br> - Switching force, approx. 6, 7) [N] | $\begin{gathered} 180 / 200 \\ 250 \\ 450 / 500 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 180 / 200 \\ 250 \\ 450 / 500 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Number of poles | 1 | 1 |
| Ice category | Class 10 | Class 10 |
| Corrosion class DIN EN ISO 14713 | C3 high | C3 high |
| Temperature [ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ] | -25 to +40 | -25 to +40 |
| Max. wind speed [m/s] | 34 | 34 |

3) without add-on modules
4) Multiple throw system for Driescher UM90, UMPlus and drives from other manufacturer
5) When used with Driescher UM90, UMPlus
6) Under normal conditions. The switching force may differ under icy conditions (serviceability verified up to 10 mm ice layer)
7) Lower value applies to 200 mm distance, higher value to 180 mm distance

Front and side view

OL-DC 3-3150-40-LBS


OL-DC 3-3150-40-ARC


Fig. 3: OL-DC mast mounting

## Connection recommendation

The switches in the OL-DC product line have been tested under the toughest conditions with hours under a constant load of 3150 A and more.
However, as real-world usage conditions on the line involve significantly shorter current flow times and longer pauses, the switches units can be connected much more economically with a considerably reduced crosssection. ${ }^{8)}$
The following connection recommendations from table ${ }^{9}$ ) can be used.

| Current | Cycle | Cross-section | Example |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000 A | Continuous | $600 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $4 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ <br> $6 \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ |
| 2500 A | Continuous | $900 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $6 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ |
| 3150 A | Continuous | $1.200 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $8 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ |
| 1 min @ 6000 A <br> 30 min pause | Cycle A | $600 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $4 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ <br> $6 \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ |
| $2 \mathrm{~h} @ 3000$ A <br> 3 h @ 2000 A | Cycle B | $600 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $4 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ <br> $6 \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ |
| 2 min @ 3150A <br> 5 min pause | Cycle C | $300 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $2 \times 150 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ |

Cycle A
Starting current / short-term overload


Cycle B
High load e.g. in stations


Cycle C
High frequency overhead contact line


Cycle A and B in accordance with DIN EN 50329 load class VI for mainline railways
8) The connections on the switchgear are not part of it. The line operator is responsible for correct configuration of the connections.
${ }^{9)}$ All figures determined under laboratory conditions. Sunlight, wind, snow, ice and rain can have a significant influence.

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[^0]:    1) Optional, not included in standard product
    2) As long as electrical service life is not reached
