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## PART 5A BUILDING SERVICES

### LIGHTING

#### 5A.1 SCOPE

This Section covers requirements and methods for lighting of buildings.

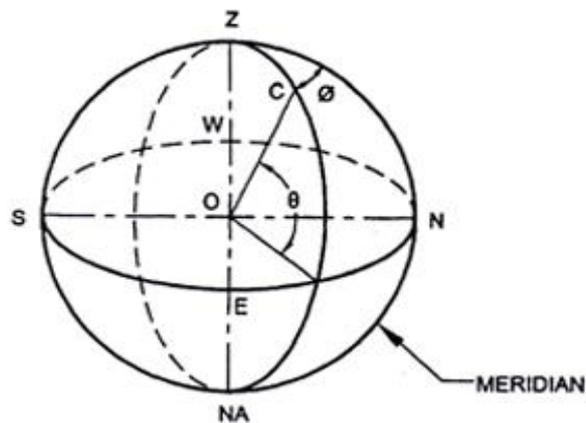
#### 5A.2 TERMINOLOGY

5A.2.0 For the purpose of this Section, the following definitions shall apply.

##### 5A.2.1 Lighting

5A.2.1.1 *Altitude ( $\theta$ )* — The angular distance of any point of celestial sphere, measured from the horizon, on the great circle passing through the body and the zenith (*see* Figure 1).

5A.2.1.2 *Azimuth ( $\phi$ )* — The angle measured between meridians passing through the north point and the point in question (point C in Figure 1).



#### REFERENCES

O	-	Observer's station	S	-	Geographical south
C	-	Celestial body	E	-	Geographical east
Z	-	Zenith	W	-	Geographical west
NA	-	Nadir	N	-	Geographical north

**Figure 1: Altitude and Azimuth of a Celestial Body**

5A.2.1.3 *Brightness Ratio or Contrast* — The variations or contrast in brightness of the details of a visual task, such as white print on blackboard.

5A.2.1.4 *Candela (cd)* —The SI unit of luminous intensity.

Candela = 1 lumen per steradian

**5A.2.1.5 Central Field** — The area of circle round the point of fixation and its diameter, subtending an angle of about 2° at the eye. Objects within this area are most critically seen in both their details and colour.

**5A.2.1.6 Clear Design Sky** — The distribution of luminance of such a sky is non-uniform; the horizon is brighter than the zenith, and when  $L_z$  is the brightness at zenith, the brightness at an altitude ( $\theta$ ) in the region away from the sun, is given by the expression:

$$L_\theta = L_z \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

When  $\theta$  lies between 15° and 90°, and  $L_\theta$  is constant when  $\theta$  lies between 0° and 15°.

**5A.2.1.7 Colour Rendering Index (CRI)** — Measure of the degree to which the psychophysical colour of an object illuminated by the test illuminant conforms to that of the same object illuminated by the reference illuminant, suitable allowance having been made for the state of chromatic adaptation.

**5A.2.1.8 Correlated Colour Temperature (CCT) (Unit: K)** — The temperature of the Planckian radiator whose perceived colour most closely resembles that of a given stimulus at the same brightness and under specified viewing conditions.

**5A.2.1.9 Daylight Area** — The superficial area on the working plane illuminated to not less than a specified daylight factor, that is, the area within the relevant contour.

**5A.2.1.10 Daylight Factor** — The measure of total daylight illuminance at a point on a given plane expressed as the ratio (or percentage) which the illuminance at the point on the given plane bears to the simultaneous illuminance on a horizontal plane due to clear design sky at an exterior point open to the whole sky vault, direct sunlight being excluded.

**5A.2.1.11 Daylight Penetration** — The maximum distance to which a given daylight factor contour penetrates into a room.

**5A.2.1.12 Direct Solar Illuminance** — The illuminance from the sun without taking into account the light from the sky.

**5A.2.1.13 External Reflected Component (ERC)**— The ratio ( or percentage ) of that part of the daylight illuminance at a point on a given plane which is received by direct reflection from external surfaces as compared to the simultaneous exterior illuminance on a horizontal plane from the entire hemisphere of an unobstructed clear design sky.

**5A.2.1.14 Glare** — A condition of vision in which there is discomfort or a reduction in the ability to see significant objects or both due to an unsuitable distribution or range of luminance or due to extreme contrasts in space and time.

**5A.2.1.15 Illuminance**— At a point on a surface, the ratio of the luminous flux incident on an infinitesimal element of the surface containing the point under consideration to the area of the element.

NOTE — The unit of illuminance (the measurement of illumination) is lux which is 1 lumen per square metre.

**5A.2.1.16 Internal Reflected Component (IRC)** — The ratio (or percentage) of that part of the daylight illuminance at a point in a given plane which is received by direct reflection or inter-reflection from the internal surfaces as compared to the simultaneous exterior illuminance on a horizontal plane due to the entire hemisphere of an unobstructed clear design sky.

**5A.2.1.17 Light Output Ratio (LOR) or Efficiency ( $\eta$ )** — The ratio of the luminous flux emitted from the luminaire to that emitted from the lamp(s) (nominal luminous flux). It is expressed in percent.

**5A.2.1.18 Lumen ( $lm$ )** — SI unit of luminous flux. The luminous flux emitted within unit solid angle (one steradian) by a point source having a uniform intensity of one candela.

**5A.2.1.19 Luminance (At a point of a Surface in a Given Direction) (Brightness)** — The quotient of the luminous intensity in the given direction of an infinitesimal element of the surface containing the point under consideration by the orthogonally projected area of the element on a plane perpendicular to the given direction. The unit is candela per square meter ( $cd/m^2$ ).

**5A.2.1.20 Luminous Flux ( $\Phi$ )**—The quantity characteristic of radiant flux which expresses its capacity to produce visual sensation evaluated according to the values of relative luminous efficiency for the light adapted eye:

(a) *Effective luminous flux ( $\Phi_n$ )* — Total luminous flux which reaches the working plane.

*Nominal luminous flux ( $\Phi_0$ )*— Total luminous flux of the light sources in the interior.

**5A.2.1.21 Maintenance Factor ( $d$ )** — The ratio of the average illuminance on the working plane after a certain period of use of a lighting installation to the average illuminance obtained under the same conditions for a new installation.

**5A.2.1.22 Meridian**— It is the great circle passing through the zenith and nadir for a given point of observation.

**5A.2.1.23 North and South Points** — The point in the respective directions where the meridian cuts the horizon.

**5A.2.1.24 Orientation of Buildings** — In the case of non- square buildings, orientation refers to the direction of the normal to the long axis. For example, if the length of the building is east-west, its orientation is north- south.

**5A.2.1.25 Peripheral Field** — It is the rest of the visual field which enables the observer to be aware of the spatial framework surrounding the object seen.

NOTE — A central part of the peripheral field, subtending an angle of about  $30^\circ$  on either side of the point of fixation, is chiefly involved in the perception of glare.

**5A.2.1.26 Reflected Glare** — The variety of ill effects on visual efficiency and comfort produced by unwanted reflections in and around the task area.

**5A.2.1.27 Reflection Factor (Reflectance)** — The ratio of the luminous flux reflected by a body (with or without diffusion) to the flux it receives. Some symbols used for reflection factor are:

$r_c$  = Reflection factor of ceiling.

$r_w$  = Reflection factor of parts of the wall between the working surface and the luminaires.

$r_f$  = Reflection factor of floor.

**5A.2.1.28 Reveal**—The side of an opening for a window.

**5A.2.1.29 Room Index ( $k_r$ )**— An index relating to the shape of a rectangular interior, according to the formula:

$$k_r = \frac{L \cdot W}{(L + W) H_m} \quad \text{where } L \text{ and } W \text{ are the length and width respectively of}$$

the interior, and  $H_m$  is the mounting height, that is, height of the fittings above the working plane.

#### NOTES

1 For rooms where the length exceeds 5 times the width,  $L$  shall be taken as  $L = 5W$ .

2 If the reflection factor of the upper stretch of the walls is less than half the reflection factor of the ceiling, for indirect or for the greater part of indirect lighting, the value  $H_m$  is measured between the ceiling and the working plane.

**5A.2.1.30 Sky Component (SC)**—The ratio (or percentage) of that part of the daylight illuminance at a point on a given plane which is received directly from the sky as compared to the simultaneous exterior illuminance on a horizontal plane from the entire hemisphere of an unobstructed clear design sky.

**5A.2.1.31 Solar Load** — The amount of heat received into a building due to solar radiation which is affected by orientation, materials of construction and reflection of external finishes and colour.

**5A.2.1.32 Utilization Factor (Coefficient of Utilization) ( $\mu$ )**— The ratio of the total luminous flux which reaches the working plane (effective luminous flux,  $\Phi_n$ ) to the total luminous flux of the light sources in the interior (nominal luminous flux,  $\Phi_0$ ).

**5A.2.1.33 Visual Field**—The visual field in the binocular which includes an area approximately  $120^\circ$  vertically and  $160^\circ$  horizontally centering on the point to which the eyes are directed. The line joining the point of fixation and the centre of the pupil of each eye is called its primary line of sight.

**5A.2.1.34 Working Plane** — A horizontal plane at a level at which work will normally be done (see 5A.3.1.3.3 and 5A.3.1.3.4),

## **5A.3 LIGHTING**

### **5A.3.1 Principles of Lighting**

#### **5A.3.1.1 Aims of Good Lighting**

Good lighting is necessary for all buildings and has three primary aims. The first aim is to promote work and other activities carried out within the building; the second aim is to promote the safety of the people using the building; and the third aim is to create, in conjunction with the structure and decoration, a pleasing environment conducive to interest of the occupants and a sense of their well-being.

##### **5A.3.1.1.1 Realization of these aims involves**

a): careful planning of the brightness and colour pattern within both the working areas and the surroundings so that attention is drawn naturally to the important areas, detail is seen quickly and accurately and the room is free from any sense of gloom or monotony (*see 5A.3.1.3*);

b) using directional lighting where appropriate to assist perception of task detail and to give good modeling;

c) controlling direct and reflected glare from light sources to eliminate visual discomfort;

d) in artificial lighting installations, minimizing flicker from certain types of lamps and paying attention to the colour rendering properties of the light;

e) correlating lighting throughout the building to prevent excessive differences between adjacent areas so as to reduce the risk of accidents; and

f) installation of emergency lighting systems, where necessary.

##### **5A.3.1.2 Planning the Brightness Pattern**

The brightness pattern seen within an interior may be considered as composed of three main parts — the task itself, immediate background of the task and the general surroundings of walls, ceiling, floor, equipment and furnishings.

**5A.3.1.2.1** In occupations where the visual demands are small, the levels of illumination derived from a criterion of visual performance alone may be too low to satisfy the other requirements. For such situations, therefore, illuminance recommendations are based on standards of welfare, safety and amenity judged appropriate to the occupations; they are also sufficient to give these tasks brightness which ensured that the visual performance exceeds the specified minimum.. Unless there are special circumstances associated with the occupation, it is recommended that the illuminance of all working areas within a building should generally be 150 lux, even though the visual demands of the occupation might be satisfied by lower values.

**5A.3.1.2.2** Where work takes place over the whole utilizable area of room, the illumination over that area should be reasonably uniform and it is recommended that the uniformity ratio

(minimum illuminance divided by average illuminance levels) should be not less than 0.7 for the working area.

**5A.3.1.2.3** When the task brightness appropriate to an occupation has been determined, the brightness of the other parts of the room should be planned to give a proper emphasis to visual comfort and interest.

A general guide for the brightness relationship within the normal field of vision should be as follows:

(a) For high task brightness (above 100 cd/m <sup>2</sup> )	Maximum
1) Between the visual task and the adjacent areas like table tops	3 to 1
2) Between the visual task and the remote areas of the room	10 to 1

(b) For low and medium task brightness (below 100 cd/m<sup>2</sup>): The task should be brighter than both the background and the surroundings; the lower the task brightness, the less critical is the relationship.

#### **5A.3.1.3** *Recommended Values of Illuminance*

Table 1 gives recommended values of illuminance commensurate with the general standards of lighting described in this section and related to many occupations and buildings; These are valid under most of the conditions whether the illumination is by daylighting, artificial lighting or a combination of the two. The great variety of visual tasks makes it impossible to list them all and those given should be regarded as representing types of task.

**5A.3.1.3.1** The different locations and tasks are grouped within the following four sections:

- a) Industrial buildings and process;
- b) Offices, schools and public buildings;
- c) Surgeries and hospitals; and
- d) Hotels, restaurants, shops and homes.

**5A.3.1.3.2** The illumination levels recommended in Table 1 are those to be maintained at all time on the task. As circumstances may be significantly different for different interiors used for the same application or for different conditions for the same kind of activity, a range of illuminances is recommended for each type of interior or activity instead of a single value of illuminance. Each range consists of three successive steps of the recommended scale of illuminances. For working interiors the middle value of each range represents the recommended service illuminance that would be used unless one or more of the factors mentioned below apply.

**5A.3.1.3.2.1** The higher value of the range should be used when:

- (a) unusually low reflectances or contrasts are present in the task;
- (b) errors are costly to rectify;
- (c) visual work is critical;
- (d) accuracy or higher productivity is of great importance; and
- (e) the visual capacity of the worker makes it necessary.

**5A.3.1.3.2.2** The lower value of the range may be used when:

- (a) reflectances or contrast are unusually high;
- (b) speed and accuracy is not important; and
- (c) the task is executed only occasionally.

**5A.3.1.3.3** Where a visual task is required to be carried out throughout an interior, general illumination level to the recommended value on the working plane is necessary; where the precise height and location of the task are not known or cannot be easily specified, the recommended value is that on horizontal plane 850 mm above floor level.

NOTE — For an industrial task, working plane for the purpose of general illumination levels is that on a work place which is generally 750 mm above the floor level. For certain purposes, such as viewing the objects of arts, the illumination levels recommended are for the vertical plane at which the art pieces are placed.

**5A.3.1.3.4** Where the task is localized, the recommended value is that for the task only; it need not, and sometimes should not, be the general level of illumination used throughout the interior. Some processes, such as industrial inspection process, call for lighting of specialized design, in which case the level of illumination is only one of the several factors to be taken into account.

#### **5A.3.1.4** *Glare*

Excessive contrast or abrupt and large changes in brightness produce the effect of glare. When glare is present, the efficiency of vision is reduced and small details or subtle changes in scene cannot be perceived. It may be

- (a) direct glare due to light sources within the field of vision,
- (b) reflected glare due to reflections from light sources or surfaces of excessive brightness,
- (c) veiling glare where the peripheral field is comparatively very bright.

**5A.3.1.4.1** An example of glare sources in day lighting is the view of the bright sky through a window or skylight, especially when the surrounding wall or ceiling is comparatively dark or weakly illuminated. Glare can be minimized in this case either by shielding the open sky from direct sight by louvers, external hoods or deep reveals, curtains or other shading devices or by cross lighting the surroundings to a comparable level. A gradual transition of brightness from one portion to the other within the field of vision always avoids or minimizes the glare discomfort.

### 5A.3.1.5 Lighting for Movement about a Building

Most buildings are complexes of working areas and other areas, such as passages, corridors, stairways, lobbies and entrances. The lighting of all these areas should be properly correlated to give safe movement within the building at all times.

#### 5A.3.1.5.1 Corridors, passages and stairways

Accidents may result if people leave a well-lighted working area and pass immediately into corridors or on to stairways where the lighting is inadequate, as the time needed for adaptation to the lower level may be too long to permit obstacles or the threads of stairs to be seen sufficiently quickly.

**Table 1: Recommended Values of Illuminance**  
(Clauses 5A.3.1.3, 5A.3.1.3.2, 5A.3.3.2 and 5A.3.3.2.1)

SI No.	Type of Interior or Activity	Range of Service Illuminance in Lux	Quality Class of Direct Glare Limitation	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>1</b>	<b>AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE</b>			
<b>1.1</b>	Inspection of Farm Product where Colour is Important	300-500-750	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
	Other Important Tasks	200-300-500	2	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>1.2</b>	Farm Workshops			
<b>1.2.1</b>	General	50-100-150	3	
<b>1.2.2</b>	Workbench or machine	200-300-500	2	Local or portable lighting may be appropriate
<b>1.3</b>	Milk Premises	50-100-150	3	
<b>1.4</b>	Sick Animal Pets, Calf Nurseries	30-50-100	3	
<b>1.5</b>	Other Firm and Horticultural Buildings	20-30-50	3	
<b>2</b>	<b>COAL MINING (SURFACE BUILDINGS)</b>			
<b>2.1</b>	Coal Preparation Plant			
<b>2.1.1</b>	Walkways, floors under conveyors	30-50-100	3	
<b>2.1.2</b>	Wagon loading, bunkers	30-50-100	3	
<b>2.1.3</b>	Elevators, chute transfer pits, wash box area	50-100-150	3	
<b>2.1.4</b>	Drum filters, screen, rotating shafts	100-150-200	3	
<b>2.1.5</b>	Picking belts	150-200-300	3	Directional and colour properties of lighting may be important for easy recognition of coal and rock
<b>2.2</b>	Lamp Rooms			
<b>2.2.1</b>	Repair section	200-300-500	2	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
2.2.2	Other areas	100-150-200	3	
2.3	Weight Cabins, Fan Houses	100-150-200	3	
2.4	Winding Houses	100-150-200	3	
<b>3</b>	<b>ELECTRICITY GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION</b>			
3.1	General Plant			
3.1.1	Turbine houses (operating floor)	150-200-300	2	
3.1.2	Boiler and turbine house basements	50-100-150	3	
3.1.3	Boiler houses, platforms, areas around burners	50-100-150	3	
3.1.4	Switch rooms, meter rooms, oil plant rooms, HV substations (indoor)	100-150-200	2	
3.1.5	Control rooms	200-300-500	1	Localized lighting of control display and the control desks may be appropriate
3.1.6	Relay and telecommunication rooms	200-300-500	2	
3.1.7	Diesel generator rooms, compressor rooms	100-150-200	3	
3.1.8	Pump houses, water treatment plant houses	100-150-200	3	
3.1.9	Battery rooms, chargers, rectifiers	50-100-150	3	
3.1.10	Precipitator chambers, platforms, etc	50-100-150	3	
3.1.11	Cable tunnels and basements, circulating water culverts and screen chambers, storage tanks (indoor), operating areas and filling points at outdoor tanks	30-50-100	3	
3.2	Coal Plant			
3.2.1	Conveyors, gantries, junction towers, unloading hoppers, ash handling plants, settling pits, dust hoppers outlets	50-100-150	3	
3.2.2	Other areas where operators may be in attendance	100-150-200	3	
3.3	Nuclear Plants			
	Gas circulation bays, reactor area, boiler platform, reactor charges and discharge face	100-150-200	2	
<b>4</b>	<b>METAL MANUFACTURE</b>			
4.1	Iron Making			
4.1.1	Sinter plant:			

Plant floor	150-200-300	3	
mixer drum, fan house, screen houses, coolers transfer stations	100-150-200	3	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>4.1.2</b>	Furnaces, cupola:			
	General	100-150-200	3	
	Control platforms	200-300-500	2	Local Lighting may be appropriate
	Conveyor galleries, walkways	30-50-100	3	
<b>4.2</b>	Steel Making			
<b>4.2.1</b>	Electric melting shops	150-200-300	3	
<b>4.2.2</b>	Basic oxygen steel making plants			
<b>4.2.2.1</b>	General	100-150-200	3	
<b>4.2.2.2</b>	Convertor floor, teeming bay	150-200-300	3	
<b>4.2.2.3</b>	Control platforms	200-300-500	2	Local Lighting may be appropriate
<b>4.2.2.4</b>	Scrap bays	100-150-200	3	
<b>4.3</b>	Metal Forming and Treatment			
<b>4.3.1</b>	Ingot stripping, soaking pits, annealing and heat treatment bays ,acid recovery plant Picking and cleaning bays, roughing mills, cold mills, finishing mills, tinning and galvanizing lines, cut up and rewind lines	150-200-300	3	
<b>4.3.2</b>	General	100-150-200	3	
<b>4.3.3</b>	Control platforms	200-300-500	2	Local Lighting may be appropriate
<b>4.3.4</b>	Wire mills, product finishing, steel inspection and treatment	200-300-500	3	
<b>4.3.5</b>	Plate/strip inspection	300-500-700	2	
<b>4.3.6</b>	Inspection of tin plate, stainless steel, etc;	-	-	Special lighting to reveal faults in the specular surface of the material will be required
<b>4.4</b>	Foundries			
<b>4.4.1</b>	Automatic Plant			
<b>4.4.1.1</b>	Without manual operation	30-50-100	3	
<b>4.4.1.2</b>	With occasional manual operation	100-150-200	3	
<b>4.4.1.3</b>	With continuous manual operation	150-200-300	3	
<b>4.4.1.4</b>	Control room	200-300-500	1	Localized lighting of the control display and the control desks may be appropriate

4.4.1.5	Control platforms	200-300-500	2
4.4.2	Non-automatic plants		

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
4.4.2.1	Charging floor, pouring, shaking out, cleaning, grinding fettling	200-300-500	3	
4.4.2.2	Rough moulding, rough core making	200-300-500	3	
4.4.2.3	Fine moulding, fine core making	300-500-750	2	
4.4.2.4	Inspection	300-500-750	2	
4.5	Forges (Severe vibration is likely to occur)			
4.5.1	General	200-300-500	2	
4.5.2	Inspection	300-500-750	2	
5	<b>CERAMICS</b>			
5.1	Concrete products Mixing, casting, cleaning	150-200-300	3	
5.2	Potteries			
5.2.1	Grinding, moulding, pressing, cleaning, trimming, glazing, firing	200-300-500	3	
5.2.2	Enamelling, colouring	500-750-1000	1	
5.3	Glass Works			
5.3.1	Furnace rooms, bending ,annealing	100-150-200	3	
5.3.2	Mixing rooms, forming, cutting, grinding polishing, toughening	200-300-500	3	
5.3.3	Beveling, decorative cutting, etching, silvering	300-500-750	2	
5.3.4	Inspection	300-500-750	2	
6	<b>CHEMICALS</b>			
6.1	Petroleum, Chemical and Petrochemical Works			
6.1.1	Exterior walkways, platforms, stairs and ladders	30-50-100	3	
6.1.2	Exterior pump and valve areas	50-100-150	3	
6.1.3	Pump and compressor houses	100-150-200	3	
6.1.4	Process plant with remote control	30-50-100	3	
6.1.5	Process plant requiring occasional manual intervention	50-100-150	3	
6.1.6	Permanently occupied work stations in process plant	150-200-300	3	
6.1.7	Control rooms for process plant	200-300-500	1	
6.2	Pharmaceutia l Manufacturer and Fine Chemicals Manufacturer			

<b>6.2.1</b>	Pharmaceutical manufacturer Grinding, granulating, mixing, drying, tableting, sterilizing, washing, preparation of solutions, filling, capping, wrapping, hardening	300-500-750	2	
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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>6.2.2</b>	Fine chemical manufacture			
<b>6.2.2.1</b>	Exterior walkways, platforms, stairs and ladders	30-50-100	3	
<b>6.2.2.2</b>	Process plant	50-100-150	3	
<b>6.2.2.3</b>	Fine chemical finishing	300-500-750	2	
<b>6.2.2.4</b>	Inspection	300-500-750	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>6.3</b>	Soap Manufacture			
<b>6.3.1</b>	General area	200-300-500	2	
<b>6.3.2</b>	Automatic processes	100-200-300	2	
<b>6.3.3</b>	Control panels	200-300-500	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>6.3.4</b>	Machines	200-300-500	2	
<b>6.4</b>	Paint Works			
<b>6.4.1</b>	General	200-300-500	2	
<b>6.4.2</b>	Automatic processes	150-200-300	2	
<b>6.4.3</b>	Control panels	200-300-500	2	
<b>6.4.4</b>	Special batch mixing	500-750-1000	2	
<b>6.4.5</b>	Colour matching	750-1000-1500	1	
<b>7</b>	<b>MECHANICAL ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>7.1</b>	Structural Steel Fabrication			
<b>7.1.1</b>	General	200-300-500	3	
<b>7.1.2</b>	Marking off	300-500-750	3	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>7.2</b>	Sheet Metal Works			
<b>7.2.1</b>	Pressing, punching, shearing, stamping, spinning, folding	300-500-750	2	
<b>7.2.2</b>	Bench work, scribing, inspection	500-750-1000	2	
<b>7.3</b>	Machine and Tool Shops			
<b>7.3.1</b>	Rough bench and machine work	200-300-500	3	
<b>7.3.2</b>	Medium bench and machine work	300-500-750	2	
<b>7.3.3</b>	Fine bench and machine work	500-750-1000	2	
<b>7.3.4</b>	Gauge rooms	750-1000-1500	1	Optical aids may be required
<b>7.4</b>	Die Sinking Shops			
<b>7.4.1</b>	General	300-500-750	2	
<b>7.4.2</b>	Fine work	1000-1500-2000	1	Flexible local lighting is desirable
<b>7.5</b>	Welding and Soldering Shops			

<b>7.5.1</b>	Gas and arc welding, rough spot welding	200-300-500	3	
<b>7.5.2</b>	Medium soldering, brazing, spot welding	300-500-750	3	
<b>7.5.3</b>	Fine soldering, fine spot welding	750-1000-1500	2	Local lighting is desirable

**Table 1- Continued**

<b>(1)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>7.6</b>	Assembly Shops			
<b>7.6.1</b>	Rough work for example, frame and heavy machine assembly	200-300-500	3	The lighting of vertical surface may be important
<b>7.6.2</b>	Medium work, for example, engine assembly, vehicle body assembly	300-500-750	2	
<b>7.6.3</b>	Fine work, for example, office machinery assembly	500-750-1000	1	Localized lighting may be useful
<b>7.6.4</b>	Very fine work, for example, instrument assembly	750-1000-1500	1	Local lighting and optical aids are desirable
<b>7.6.5</b>	Minute work, for example, watch making	1000-1500-2000	1	Local lighting and optical aids are desirable
<b>7.7</b>	Inspection and Testing Shops			
<b>7.7.1</b>	Coarse work, for example, using go/no-go gauges, inspection of large sub-assemblies	300-500-750	2	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>7.7.2</b>	Medium work, for example, inspection of painted surfaces	500-750-1000	1	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>7.7.3</b>	Fine work, for example, using calibrated scales, inspection of precision mechanisms	750-1000-1500	1	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>7.7.4</b>	Very fine work, for example, inspection of small intricate parts	1000-1500-2000	1	Local lighting and optical aids are desirable
<b>7.7.5</b>	Minute work, for example, inspection of very small instruments	2000	1	Local lighting and optical aids are desirable
<b>7.8</b>	Paints Shops and Spray Booths			
<b>7.8.1</b>	Dipping, rough spraying	200-300-500	3	
<b>7.8.2</b>	Preparation, ordinary painting, spraying and finishing	200-500-750	2	
<b>7.8.3</b>	Fine painting, spraying and finishing	500-750-1000	2	
<b>7.8.4</b>	Inspection, re-touching and matching	750-1000-1500	2	
<b>7.9</b>	Plating Shops			
<b>7.9.1</b>	Vats and baths	200-300-500	3	
<b>7.9.2</b>	Buffing, polishing burnishing	300-500-750	2	
<b>7.9.3</b>	Final buffing and polishing	500-750-1000	2	
<b>7.9.4</b>	Inspection	-	-	Special light to reveal fault in the surface of the material will be required
<b>8</b>	<b>ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>8.1</b>	Electrical Equipment Manufacture			

<b>8.1.1</b>	Manufacture of cables and insulated wires, winding, varnishing and immersion of coils, assembly of large machines, simple assembly work	200-300-500	3	
<b>8.1.2</b>	Medium assembly, for example, telephones, small motors	300-500-750	3	Local lighting may be appropriate

**Table 1- Continued**

<b>(1)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>8.1.3</b>	Assembly of precision components, for example, telecommunication equipment, adjustment, inspection and calibration	750-1000-1500	1	Local lighting is desirable. Optical aids may be useful
<b>8.1.4</b>	Assembly of high precision parts	1000-1500-2000	1	Local lighting is desirable. Optical aids may be useful
<b>8.2</b>	Electronic Equipment Manufacture			
<b>8.2.1</b>	Printed circuit board			
<b>8.2.1.1</b>	Silk screening	300-500-750	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>8.2.1.2</b>	Hand insertion of components, soldering	500-750-1000	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>8.2.1.3</b>	Inspection	750-1000-1500	1	A large, low luminance luminaire overhead ensures specular reflection conditions which are helpful for inspection of printed circuits
<b>8.2.1.4</b>	Assembly of wiring harness, cleating harness, testing and calibration	500-750-1000	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>8.2.1.5</b>	Chassis assembly	750-1000-1500	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>8.2.2</b>	Inspection and testing			
<b>8.2.2.1</b>	Soak test	150-200-300	2	
<b>8.2.2.2</b>	Safety and functional tests	200-300-500	2	
<b>9</b>	<b>FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO</b>			
<b>9.1</b>	Slaughter Houses			
<b>9.1.1</b>	General	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.1.2</b>	Inspection	300-500-750	2	
<b>9.2</b>	Canning, Preserving and Freezing			
<b>9.2.1</b>	Grading and sorting of raw materials	500-750-1000	2	Lamp of colour rendering group 1A or 1B will be required, if colour judgement is required
<b>9.2.2</b>	Preparation	300-500-750	3	
<b>9.2.3</b>	Canned and bottled goods			
<b>9.2.3.1</b>	Retorts	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.2.3.2</b>	Automatic processes	150-200-300	3	
<b>9.2.3.3</b>	Labelling and packaging	200-300-500	3	

<b>9.2.4</b>	Frozen foods		
<b>9.2.4.1</b>	Process area	200-300-500	3
<b>9.2.4.2</b>	Packaging and storage	200-300-500	3
<b>9.3</b>	<b>Bottling, Brewing and Distilling</b>		

**Table 1- Continued**

<b>(1)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>9.3.1</b>	Keg washing and handling, bottle washing	150-200-300	3	
<b>9.3.2</b>	Keg inspection	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.3.3</b>	Bottle inspection	-	-	Special lighting will be
<b>9.3.4</b>	Process areas	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.3.5</b>	Bottle filling	500-750-1000	3	
<b>9.4</b>	<b>Edible Oils and Fats Processing</b>			
<b>9.4.1</b>	Refining and blending	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.4.2</b>	Production	300-500-750	2	
<b>9.5</b>	<b>Mills-Milling, Filtering and Packing</b>	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.6</b>	<b>Bakeries</b>			
<b>9.6.1</b>	General	200-300-500	2	
<b>9.6.2</b>	Hand decorating, icing	300-500-750	2	
<b>9.7</b>	<b>Chocolate and Confectionery Manufacture</b>			
<b>9.7.1</b>	General	200-300-500	3	
<b>9.7.2</b>	Automatic processes	150-200-300	3	
<b>9.7.3</b>	Hand decoration, inspection, wrapping and packing	300-500-750	2	If accurate colour judgements are required, lamps of colour rendering group 1A or 1B are used
<b>9.8</b>	<b>Tobacco Processing</b>	300-500-750	2	
<b>9.8.1</b>	Material preparation, making and packing	500-750-1000	2	
<b>9.8.2</b>	Hand processes			
<b>10</b>	<b>TEXTILES</b>			
<b>10.1</b>	<b>Fibre Preparation</b>			
<b>10.1.1</b>	Bale breaking, washing	200-300-500	3	
<b>10.1.2</b>	Stock dyeing, tinting	200-300-500	3	
<b>10.2</b>	<b>Yarn Manufacture</b>			
<b>10.2.1</b>	Spinning, roving, winding, etc	300-500-750	2	
<b>10.2.2</b>	Healding (drawing in)	750-1000-750	2	
<b>10.3</b>	<b>Fabric Production</b>			
<b>10.3.1</b>	Knitting	300-500-750	2	
<b>10.3.2.</b>	Weaving			

<b>10.3.2.1</b>	Jute and hemp	200-300-500	2
<b>10.3.2.2</b>	Heavy woolens	300-500-750	1
<b>10.3.2.3</b>	Medium worsteds, fine woolens, cottons	500-750-1000	1

**Table 1- Continued**

<b>(1)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>10.3.2.4</b>	Fine worsteds, fine linens, synthetics	750-1000-1500	1	
<b>10.3.2.5</b>	Mending	1000-1500-2000	1	
<b>10.3.2.6</b>	Inspection	1000-1500-2000	1	
<b>10.4</b>	Fabric Finishing			
<b>10.4.1</b>	Dyeing	200-300-500	3	
<b>10.4.2</b>	Calendaring, chemical treatment, etc	300-500-750	2	
<b>10.4.3</b>	Inspection			
<b>10.4.3.1</b>	'Grey' cloth	750-1000-1500	1	
<b>10.4.3.2</b>	Final	1000-1500-2000	1	
<b>10.5</b>	Carpet Manufacture			
<b>10.5.1</b>	Winding, beaming	200-300-500	3	
<b>10.5.2</b>	Setting pattern, turving cropping, trimming, fringing, latexing and latex drying	300-500-750	2	
<b>10.5.3</b>	Designing, weaving, mending	500-750-1000	2	
<b>10.5.4</b>	Inspection			
<b>10.5.4.1</b>	General	750-1000-1500	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>10.5.4.2</b>	Peace dyeing	500-750-1000	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>11</b>	<b>LEATHER INDUSTRY</b>			
<b>11.1</b>	Leather Manufacture			
<b>11.1.1</b>	Cleaning, tanning and stretching, vats, cutting, fleshing, stuffing	200-300-500	3	
<b>11.1.2</b>	Finishing, scarfing	300-500-750	2	
<b>11.2</b>	Leather Working			
<b>11.2.1</b>	General	200-300-500	3	
<b>11.2.2</b>	Pressing, glazing	300-500-750	2	
<b>11.2.3</b>	Cutting, splitting, scarfing, sewing	500-750-1000	2	Directional lighting may be useful.
<b>11.2.4</b>	Grading, matching		2	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>12</b>	<b>CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>			
<b>12.1</b>	Clothing Manufacture			
<b>12.1.1</b>	Preparation of cloth	200-300-500	2	
<b>12.1.2</b>	Cutting	500-750-1000	1	
<b>12.1.3</b>	Matching	500-750-1000	1	
<b>12.1.4</b>	Sewing	750-1000-1500	1	

12.1.5	Pressing	300-500-750	2				
12.1.6	Inspection	1000-1500-2000	1	Local lighting may be appropriate			

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)			
12.1.7	Hand tailoring	1000-1500-2000	1	Local lighting may be appropriate			
12.2	Hosiery and Knitwear Manufacture						
12.2.1	Flat bed knitting machines	300-500-750	2				
12.2.2	Circular knitting machines	500-750-1000	2				
12.2.3	Lockstitch and over locking machine	750-1000-1500	1				
12.2.4	Linking or running on	750-1000-1500	1				
12.2.5	Mending, hand finishing	1000-1500-3000	-	Local lighting may be appropriate			
12.2.6	Inspection	1000-1500-2000	2	Local lighting may be appropriate			
12.3	Glove Manufacture						
12.3.1	Sorting and grading	500-750-1000	1				
12.3.2	Pressing, knitting, cutting	300-500-750	2				
12.3.3	Sewing	500-750-1000	2				
12.3.4	Inspection	1000-1500-2000	-	Local lighting may be appropriate			
12.4	Hat Manufacture						
12.4.1	Stiffening, braiding, refining, forming, sizing, pounding, ironing	200-300-500	2	12.4.1			
12.4.2	Cleaning, flanging, finishing	300-500-750	2				
12.4.3	Sewing	500-750-1000	2				
12.4.4	Inspection	1000-1500-2000	-	Local lighting may be appropriate			
12.5	Boot and Shoe Manufacture						
12.5.1	Leather and synthetics						
12.5.2	Sorting and grading	750-1000-1500	1				
12.5.3	Clicking, closing	750-1000-1500	2	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate			
12.5.4	Preparatory operations	750-1000-1500	2	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate			
12.5.5	Cutting tables and pressure	1000-1500-2000	1	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate			
12.5.6	Bottom stock preparation, lasting, bottoming finishing, shoe rooms	750-1000-1500	1	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate			
12.5.7	Rubber						
12.5.7.1	Washing, compounding, coating, drying, varnishing, vulcanizing, calendaring, cutting	200-300-500	3				
12.5.7.2	Lining, making and finishing	300-500-750	2				

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>13</b>	<b>TIMBER AND FURNITURE</b>			
<b>13.1</b>	Sawmills			
<b>13.1.1</b>	General	150-200-300	3	
<b>13.1.2</b>	Head saw	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>13.1.3</b>	Grading	500-750-1000	2	Directional lighting may be useful
<b>13.2</b>	Woodwork Shops			
<b>13.2.1</b>	Rough sawing, bench work	200-300-500	2	
<b>13.2.2</b>	Sizing, planing, sanding, medium machining and bench work	300-500-750	2	
<b>13.2.3</b>	Fine bench and machine work, fine sanding, finishing	500-750-1000	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>13.3</b>	Furniture Manufacture			
<b>13.3.1</b>	Raw material stores	50-100-150	3	
<b>13.3.2</b>	Finished goods stores	100-150-200	3	
<b>13.3.3</b>	Wood matching and assembly, rough sawing, cutting	200-300-500	2	
<b>13.3.4</b>	Machining, sanding and assembly, polishing	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>13.3.5</b>	Tool room	300-500-750	2	
<b>13.3.6</b>	Spray booths			
<b>13.3.6.1</b>	Colour finishing	300-500-750	2	
<b>13.3.6.2</b>	Clear finishing	200-300-500	2	
<b>13.3.7</b>	Cabinet making			
<b>13.3.7.1</b>	Veneer sorting and grading	750-1000-1500	1	
<b>13.3.7.2</b>	Marquetry, pressing, patching and fitting	300-500-750	1	
<b>13.3.7.3</b>	Final inspection	500-750-1000	1	Special lighting will be required
<b>13.4</b>	Upholstery Manufacture			
<b>13.4.1</b>	Cloth inspection	1000-1500-2000	1	Special lighting will be required
<b>13.4.2</b>	Filling, covering	300-500-750	2	
<b>13.4.3</b>	Slipping, cutting, sewing	500-750-1000	2	
<b>13.4.4</b>	Mattress making			
<b>13.4.5</b>	Assembly	300-500-750	2	
<b>13.4.6</b>	Tape edging	750-1000-1500	2	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>14</b>	<b>PAPER AND PRINTING</b>			
<b>14.1</b>	Paper Mills			

14.1.1 Pulp mills, preparation plants 200-300-500 3

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
14.1.2	Paper and board making			
14.1.2.1	General	200-300-500	3	
14.1.2.2	Automatic process	150-200-300	3	Supplementary lighting may be necessary for maintenance work
14.1.2.3	Inspection, sorting	300-500-750	1	
14.1.3	Paper converting processes			
14.1.3.1	General	200-300-500	3	
14.1.3.2	Associated printing	300-500-750	2	
14.2	Printing Works -			
14.2.1	Type foundries			
14.2.1.1	Matrix making, dressing type, hand and machine coating	200-300-500	3	
14.2.1.2	Front assembly, sorting	500-750-1000	2	
14.2.2	Composing rooms	-		
14.2.2.1	Hand composing, imposition and distribution	500-750-1000	1	
14.2.2.2	Hot metal keyboard	500-750-1000	1	
14.2.2.3	Hot metal casting	200-300-500	2	
14.2.2.4	Photo composing keyboard or setters	300-500-750	1	
14.2.2.5	Paste up	500-750-1000	1	
14.2.2.6	Illuminated tables-general lighting	200-300-500	-	Dimming may be required
14.2.2.7	Proof presses	300-500-750	2	
14.2.2.8	Proof reading	500-750-1000	1	
14.2.3	Graphic reproduction			
14.2.3.1	General	300-500-750	2	
14.2.3.2	Precision proofing, retouching, etching	750-1000-1500	1	Local lighting may be appropriate
14.2.3.3	Colour reproduction and inspection	750-1000-1500	1	
14.2.4	Printing machine room			
14.2.4.1	Presses	300-500-750	2	
14.2.4.2	Premake ready	300-500-750	2	
14.2.4.3	Printed sheet inspection	750-1000-1500	1	
14.2.5	Binding			
14.2.5.1	Folding, pasting, punching and stitching	300-500-750	2	
14.2.5.2	Cutting, assembling, embossing	500-750-1000	2	
<b>15</b>	<b>PLASTIC AND RUBBER</b>			
15.1	Plastic Products			
15.1.1	Automatic plant			
15.1.1.1	Without manual control	30-50-100	3	
15.1.1.2	With occasional manual control	50-100-150	3	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
15.1.1.3	With continuous manual control	200-300-500	3	
15.1.1.4	Control rooms	200-300-500	1	
15.1.1.5	Control platforms	200-300-500	2	
15.1.2	Non-automatic plant			
15.1.2.1	Mixing, calendaring, extrusion, injection, compression and blow moulding, sheet fabrication	200-300-500	3	
15.1.2.2	Trimming, cutting, polishing, cementing	300-500-750	2	
15.1.2.3	Printing, inspection	750-1000-1500	1	
15.2	Rubber Products			
15.2.1	Stock preparation — plasticizing, milling	150-200-300	3	
15.2.2	Calendaring, fabric preparation, stock-cutting	300-500-750	3	
15.2.3	Extruding, moulding	300-500-750	2	
15.2.4	Inspection	750-1000-1500	-	
16	<b>DISTRIBUTION AND STORAGE</b>			
16.1	Work Stores	100-150-200	3	Avoid glare to drivers of vehicles approaching the loading bay
16.1.1	Unpacking, sorting	150-200-300	3	bay Avoid glare to drivers of vehicles approaching the loading bay
16.1.2	Large item storage	50-100-150	3	Avoid glare to drivers of vehicles approaching the loading bay
16.1.3	Small item rack storage	200-300-500	3	Avoid glare to drivers of vehicles approaching the loading bay
16.1.4	Issue counter, records, storeman's desk	300-500-750	2	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate
16.2	Warehouses and Bulk Stores			
16.2.1	Storage of goods where identification requires only limited preparation of detail	50-100-150	3	
16.2.2	Storage of goods where identification requires perception of details	100-150-200	3	
16.2.3	Automatic high bay rack stores			
16.2.3.1	Gangway	20	-	
16.2.3.2	Control station	150-200-300	3	
16.2.3.3	Packing and dispatch	200-300-500	3	
16.2.3.4	Loading bays	100-150-200	3	Avoid glare to drivers of vehicles approaching the loading bay
16.3	Cold Stores			
16.3.1	General	200-300-500	3	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>16.3.2</b>	Breakdown, make-up and dispatch	200-300-500	3	
<b>16.3.3</b>	Loading bays	100-150-200	3	Avoid glare to drivers of vehicles approaching the loading bay
<b>17</b>	<b>COMMERCE</b>			
<b>17.1</b>	Offices			
<b>17.1.1</b>	General offices	300-500-750	1	
<b>17.1.2</b>	Deep plan general offices	500-750-1000	1	
<b>17.1.3</b>	Computer work stations	300-500-750	1	
<b>17.1.4</b>	Conference rooms, executive offices	300-500-750	1	
<b>17.1.5</b>	Computer and data preparation rooms	300-500-750	1	
<b>17.1.6</b>	Filing rooms	200-300-500	1	
<b>17.2</b>	Drawing Offices			
<b>17.2.1</b>	General	300-500-750	1	
<b>17.2.2</b>	Drawing boards	500-750-1000	1	
<b>17.2.3</b>	Computer aided design and drafting	-	-	Special lighting is required
<b>17.2.4</b>	Print rooms	200-300-500	1	
<b>17.3</b>	Banks and Building Societies			
<b>17.3.1</b>	Counter, office area	300-500-750	1	
<b>17.3.2</b>	Public area	200-300-500	1	
<b>18</b>	<b>SERVICES</b>			
<b>18.1</b>	Garages			
<b>18.1.1</b>	Interior parking areas	20-30-50	3	
<b>18.1.2</b>	General repairs, servicing, washing, polishing	200-300-500	2	
<b>18.1.3</b>	Workbench	300-500-750	1	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>18.1.4</b>	Spray booths	300-500-750	1	
<b>18.1.5</b>	External apron			
<b>18.1.5.1</b>	General	30-50-100	-	Care should be taken to avoid glare to drivers and Neighbouring residents
<b>18.1.5.2</b>	Pump area (retail sales )	200-300-500	-	See ' Retailing
<b>18.2</b>	Appliance servicing			
<b>18.2.1</b>	Workshop			
<b>18.2.1.1</b>	General	200-300-500	2	
<b>18.2.1.2</b>	Workbench	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>18.2.1.3</b>	Counter	200-300-500	2	Localized lighting may be Appropriate
<b>18.2.1.4</b>	Stores	200-300-500	3	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>18.3</b>	Laundries			
<b>18.3.1</b>	Commercial laundries			
<b>18.3.2</b>	Receiving, sorting, washing, drying, ironing, despatch, dry-cleaning, bulk machine work	200-300-500	3	
<b>18.3.3</b>	Head ironing, pressing, mending, spotting, inspection	300-500-750	3	
<b>18.3.4</b>	Launderettes	200-300-500	3	
<b>18.4</b>	Sewage Treatment Works			
<b>18.4.1</b>	Walkways	30-50-100	3	
<b>18.4.2</b>	Process areas	50-100-150	3	
<b>19</b>	<b>RETAILING</b>			
<b>19.1</b>	Small Shops with Counters	300-500-750	1	The service illuminance should be provided on the horizontal plane of the counter. Where wall displays are used, a similar illuminance on the walls is desirable
<b>19.2</b>	Small Self-Service Shops with Island Displays	300-500-750	1	
<b>19.3</b>	Super Markets, Hyper-Markets			
<b>19.3.1</b>	General	300-500-750	2	
<b>19.3.2</b>	Checkout	300-500-750	2	
<b>19.3.3</b>	Showroom for large objects, for example, cars, furniture	300-500-750	1	
<b>19.3.4</b>	Shopping precincts and arcades	100-150-200	2	
<b>20</b>	<b>PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY</b>			
<b>20.1</b>	Public Rooms, Village Halls, Worship Halls	200-300-500	1	
<b>20.2</b>	Concert Halls, Cinemas and Theatres			
<b>20.2.1</b>	Foyer	150-200-300	-	
<b>20.2.2</b>	Booking office	200-300-500	-	Local or localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>20.2.3</b>	Auditorium	50-100-150	-	Dimming facilities will be necessary. Special lighting of the aisles is desirable
<b>20.2.4</b>	Dressing rooms	200-300-500	-	Special mirror lighting for make-up may be required
<b>20.2.5</b>	Projection room	100-150-200	-	
<b>20.3</b>	Churches			
<b>20.3.1</b>	Body of church	100-150-200	2	

**Table 1- Continued**

<b>(1)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>20.3.2</b>	Pulpit, lectern	200-300-500	2	Use local lighting
<b>20.3.3</b>	Choir stalls	200-300-500	2	Local lighting may be appropriate
<b>20.3.4</b>	Alter, communion table, chancel	100-150-200	2	Additional lighting to provide emphasis is desirable
<b>20.3.5</b>	Vestries	100-150-200	2	
<b>20.3.6</b>	Organ	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4</b>	Hospitals			
<b>20.4.1</b>	Anaesthetic rooms			
<b>20.4.1.1</b>	General	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.1.2</b>	Local	750-1000-1500	-	
<b>20.4.2</b>	Consulting areas			
<b>20.4.2.1</b>	General	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.2.2</b>	Examination	750-1000-1500	-	
<b>20.4.3</b>	Corridors			
<b>20.4.3.1</b>	General	100-150-200	-	
<b>20.4.4</b>	Ward corridors		-	
<b>20.4.4.1</b>	Day, screened from bays	150-200-300	-	
<b>20.4.4.2</b>	Day, open to natural light	150-200-300 (total)		
<b>20.4.4.3</b>	Morning/Evening	100-150-200	-	
<b>20.4.4.4</b>	Night	5-10	-	
<b>20.4.5</b>	Cubicles			
<b>20.4.5.1</b>	General	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.5.2</b>	Treatment	750-1000-1500	-	
<b>20.4.6</b>	Examination			
<b>20.4.6.1</b>	General	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.6.2</b>	Local inspection	750-1000-1500	-	
<b>20.4.7</b>	Intensive therapy			
<b>20.4.7.1</b>	Bad head	30-50	-	
<b>20.4.7.2</b>	Circulation between bed ends	50-100-150	-	
<b>20.4.7.3</b>	Observation	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.7.4</b>	Local observation	750-1000-1500	-	
<b>20.4.7.5</b>	Staff base (day)	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.7.6</b>	Staff base (night)	30	-	
<b>20.4.8</b>	Laboratories			
<b>20.4.8.1</b>	General	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.8.2</b>	Examination	300-500-750	-	
<b>20.4.9</b>	Nurses' stations			
<b>20.4.9.1</b>	Morning/day/evening	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.4.9.2</b>	Night desks	30	-	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
20.4.9.3	Night, medical trolleys	50-100-150	-	
20.4.10	Operating theatres			
20.4.10.1	General	300-500-750	-	
20.4.10.2	Local	10000 to 50000	-	Special operating lights are used
20.4.11	Pathology departments			
20.4.11.1	General	200-300-500	-	
20.4.11.2	Examination	300-500-750	-	
20.4.11.3	Pharmacies	200-300-500	-	
20.4.11.4	Reception/enquiry	200-300-500	-	
20.4.11.5	Recovery rooms	200-300-500	-	
20.4.12	Ward-circulation			
20.4.12.1	Day	50-100-150	-	
20.4.12.2	Morning/Evening	50-100-150	-	
20.4.12.3	Night	3-5	-	
20.4.13	Ward-bed head			
20.4.13.1	Morning/Evening	30-50		
20.4.13.2	Reading	100-150-200		
20.4.14	Night			
20.4.14.1	Adult	0.1-1		
20.4.14.2	Pediatric	1		
20.4.14.3	Psychiatric	1-5		
20.4.14.4	Watch	5		
20.4.15	X-Ray areas			
20.4.15.1	General	150-200-300		
20.4.15.2	Diagnostic	150-200-300		
20.4.15.3	Operative	200-300-500		
20.4.15.4	Process dark room	50		
20.4.16	Surgeries			
20.4.16.1	General	200-300-500	-	
20.4.16.2	Waiting rooms	100-150-200	-	
20.4.17	Dental surgeries			
20.4.17.1	Chair	Special lighting	-	
20.4.17.2	Laboratories	300-500-750	-	
20.4.18	Consulting rooms			
20.4.18.1	General	200-300-500	-	
20.4.18.2	Desk	300-500-750	-	
20.4.18.3	Examination couch	300-500-750	-	
20.4.18.4	Ophthalmic wall and near-vision charts	300-500-750	-	
20.5	Hotels			
20.5.1	Entrance halls	50-100-150		

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
20.5.2	Reception, cashier's and porters' desks	200-300-500		Localized lighting may be appropriate
20.5.3	Bars, coffee base, dining rooms, grill rooms, restaurants, lounges	50-200		The lighting should be designed to create an appropriate atmosphere
20.5.4	Cloak rooms, baggage rooms	50-100-150	3	
20.5.5	Bed rooms	30-50-100	-	Supplementary local lighting at the bed head, writing table should be provided
20.5.6	Bathroom	50-100-150		Supplementary local lighting near the mirror is desirable
20.5.7	Food preparation and stores, cellars, lifts and corridors	-	-	
20.6	Libraries			
20.6.1	Lending library			
20.6.1.1	General	200-300-500	1	
20.6.1.2	Counters	300-500-750	1	Localized lighting may be appropriate
20.6.1.3	Bookshelves	100-150-200	2	The service illuminance should be provided on the vertical face at the bottom of the bookshelves.
20.6.1.4	Reading rooms	200-300-500	1	
20.6.1.5	Reading tables	200-300-500	1	Localized lighting may be appropriate
20.6.2	Catalogues			
20.6.2.1	Card	100-150-200	2	
20.6.2.2	Microfiche/Visual display units	100-150-200	2	
20.6.3	Reference libraries			
20.6.3.1	General	200-300-500	1	
20.6.3.2	Counters	300-500-750	1	Localized lighting may be appropriate
20.6.3.3	Bookshelves	100-150-200	2	The service illuminance should be provided on the vertical face at the bottom of the bookshelves.
20.6.3.4	Study tables, carrels	300-500-750	1	
20.6.3.5	Map room	200-300-500	1	
20.6.4	Display and exhibition areas			
20.6.4.1	Exhibits insensitive to light	200-300-500	-	
20.6.4.2	Exhibit sensitive to light, for example, pictures, prints, rare books in archives	50 to 150	-	
20.6.5	Library workrooms			
20.6.5.1	Book repair and binding	300-500-750	2	
20.6.5.2	Catalogue and sorting	300-500-720	2	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>20.6.5.3</b>	Remote book stores	100-150-200	3	
<b>20.7</b>	Museums and Art Galleries			
<b>20.7.1</b>	Exhibits insensitive to light	200-300-500	-	
<b>20.7.2</b>	Light sensitive exhibits, for example, oil and temper paints, undyed leather, bone, ivory, wood, etc	150	-	This is a maximum illuminance to be provided on the principal plane of the exhibit
<b>20.7.3</b>	Extremely light sensitive exhibits, for example, textiles, water colours, prints and drawings, skins, botanical specimens, etc	50	-	This is the maximum illuminance to be provided on the principal plane of the object
<b>20.7.4</b>	Conservation studies and workshops	300-500-750	1	
<b>20.8</b>	Sports Facilities			
	Multi-purpose sports halls	300-750	-	This lighting system should be sufficiently flexible to provide lighting suitable for the variety of sports and activities that take place in sports halls. Higher illuminance of 1000-2000 lux would be required for television coverage
<b>21</b>	<b>EDUCATION</b>			
<b>21.1</b>	Assembly Halls			
<b>21.1.1</b>	General	200-300-500	3	
<b>21.1.2</b>	Platform and stage	-	-	Special lighting to provide emphasis and to facilitate the use of the platform/ stage is desirable
<b>21.2</b>	Teaching Spaces			
	General	200-300-500	1	
<b>21.3</b>	Lecture Theatres			
<b>21.3.1</b>	General	200-300-500	1	
<b>21.3.2</b>	Demonstration benches	300-500-750	1	Localized lighting may be appropriate
<b>21.4</b>	Seminar Rooms	300-500-750	1	
<b>21.5</b>	Art Rooms	300-500-750	1	
<b>21.6</b>	Needlework Rooms	300-500-750	1	
<b>21.7</b>	Laboratories	300-500-750	1	
<b>21.8</b>	Libraries	200-300-500	1	
<b>21.9</b>	Music Rooms	200-300-500	1	
<b>21.10</b>	Sports Halls	200-300-500	1	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
21.11	Workshops	200-300-500	1	
22	<b>TRANSPORT</b>			
22.1	Airports			
22.1.1	Ticket counters, checking desks, and information desks	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
22.1.2	Departure lounges, other waiting areas	150-200-300	2	
22.1.3	Baggage reclaim	150-200-300	2	
22.1.4	Baggage handling	50-100-150	2	
22.1.5	Customs and immigration halls	300-500-750	2	
22.1.6	Concourse	150-200-300	2	
22.2	Railway Stations			
22.2.1	Ticket office	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
22.2.2	Information office	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting over the counter may be appropriate
22.2.3	Parcels office, left			
22.2.4	Luggage office			
22.2.4.1	General	50-100-150	2	
22.2.4.2	Counter	150-200-300	2	
22.2.5	Waiting rooms	150-200-300	2	
22.2.6	Concourse	150-200-300	2	
22.2.7	Time table	150-200-300	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
22.2.8	Ticket barriers	150-200-300	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
22.2.9	Platforms (covered)	30-50-100	2	Care should be taken to light and mark the edge of the platform clearly
22.2.10	Platforms (open)	20	-	Care should be taken to light and mark the edge of the platform clearly
22.3	Coach Stations			
22.3.1	Ticket offices	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting over the counter may be appropriate
22.3.2	Information offices	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting over the counter may be appropriate
22.3.3	Left luggage office			
22.3.3.1	General	50-100-150	3	
22.3.3.2	Counter	150-200-300	3	Localized lighting is appropriate
22.3.4	Waiting rooms	150-200-300	2	
22.3.5	Concourse	150-200-300	2	

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
22.3.6	Time tables	150-200-300	2	Localized lighting is appropriate
22.3.7	Loading areas	100-150-200	3	
<b>23</b>	<b>GENERAL BUILDING AREAS</b>			
23.1	Entrance			
23.1.1	Entrance halls, lobbies, waiting rooms	150-200-300	2	
23.1.2	Enquiry desks	300-500-750	2	Localized lighting may be appropriate
23.1.3	Gatehouses	150-200-300	2	
23.2	Circulation Areas			
23.2.1	Lifts	50-100-150	-	
23.2.2	Corridors, passageways, stairs	50-100-150	2	
23.2.3	Escalators, travellers	100-150-200	-	
23.3	Medical and First Aid Centre			
23.3.1	Consulting rooms, treatment rooms	300-500-750	1	
23.3.2	Rest rooms	100-150-200	1	
23.3.3	Medical stores	100-150-200	2	
23.4	Staff Rooms			
23.4.1	Changing, locker and cleaners rooms, cloakrooms, lavatories	50-100-150	-	
23.4.2	Rest room	100-150-200	1	
23.5	Staff Restaurants			
23.5.1	Canteens, cafeterias, dining rooms, mess rooms	150-200-300	2	
23.5.2	Servery, vegetable preparation, washing-up area	200-300-500	2	
23.5.3	Food preparation and cooking	300-500-750	2	
23.5.4	Food stores, cellars	100-150-200	2	
23.6	Communications			
23.6.1	Switchboard rooms	200-300-500	2	
23.6.2	Telephone apparatus rooms	100-150-200	2	
23.6.3	Telex room, post room	300-500-750	2	
23.6.4	Reprographic room	200-300-500	2	
23.7	Building Services			
23.7.1	Boiler houses			
23.7.1.1	General	50-100-150	3	
23.7.1.2	Boiler front	100-150-200	3	
23.7.1.3	Boiler control room	200-300-500	2	Localized lighting of the control display and the control desk may be appropriate

**Table 1- Continued**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
23.7.1.4	Control rooms	200-300-500	2	Localized lighting of the control display and the control desk may be appropriate
23.7.1.5	Mechanical plant room	100-150-200	2	
23.7.1.6	Electrical power supply and distribution rooms	100-150-200	2	
23.7.1.7	Store rooms	50-100-150	3	
23.8	Car Parks			
23.8.1	Covered car parks			
23.8.1.1	Floors	5-20	-	
23.8.1.2	Ramps and corners	30	-	
23.8.1.3	Entrances and exits	50-100-150	-	
23.8.1.4	Control booths	150-200-300		
23.8.1.5	Outdoor car parks	5-20		

For the same reason, it is desirable that the illumination level of rooms which open off a working area should be fairly high even though the rooms may be used only occasionally.

It is important, when lighting stairways, to prevent disability from glare caused by direct sight of bright sources to emphasize the edges of the treads and to avoid confusing shadows. The same precautions should be taken in the lighting of cat-walks and stairways on outdoor industrial plants.

#### **5A.3.1.5.2 Entrances**

The problems of correctly grading the lighting within a building to allow adequate time for adaptation when passing from one area to another area are particularly acute at building entrances. These are given below:

a) By day, people entering a building will be adapted to the very high levels of brightness usually present outdoors and there is risk of accident if entrance areas, particularly any steps, are poorly lighted. This problem may often be overcome by arranging windows to give adequate natural lighting at the immediate entrance, grading to lower levels further inside the entrance area. Where this cannot be done, supplementary artificial lighting should be installed to raise the level of illumination to an appropriate value.

b) At night it is desirable to light entrance halls and lobbies so that the illumination level reduces towards the exit and so that no bright fittings are in the line of sight of people leaving the building. Any entrance steps to the building should be well-lighted by correctly screened fittings.

**5A.3.1.6** For detailed information regarding principles of good lighting, reference may be made to Standard Practice [(1) IS 3646].

## **5A.3.2 Artificial Lighting**

### **5A.3.2.1** Artificial lighting may have to be provided

- a) where the recommended illumination levels have to be obtained by artificial lighting only,
- b) to supplement daylighting when the level of illumination falls below the recommended value, and
- c) where visual task may demand a higher level of illumination.

### **5A.3.2.2** *Artificial Lighting Design for Interiors*

For general lighting purposes, the recommended practice is to design for a level of illumination on the working plane on the basis of the recommended levels for visual tasks given in Table 1 by a method called 'Lumen method'. In order to make the necessary detailed calculations concerning the type and quantity of lighting equipment necessary, advance information on the surface reflectances of walls, ceilings and floors is required. Similarly, calculations concerning the brightness ratio in the interior call for details of the interior decor and furnishing. Stepwise guidance regarding designing the interior lighting systems for a building using the 'Lumen method' is given in **5A.3.2.2.1** to **5A.3.2.2.4**.

#### **5A.3.2.2.1** *Determination of the illumination level*

Recommended value of illumination shall be taken from Table 1, depending upon the type of work to be carried out in the location in question and the visual tasks involved.

#### **5A.3.2.2.2** *Selection of the light sources and luminous*

The selection of light sources and luminaires depends on the choice of lighting system, namely, general lighting, directional lighting and localized or local lighting.

#### **5A.3.2.2.3** *Determination of the luminous flux*

a) The luminous flux ( $\Phi$ ) reaching the working plane depends upon the following:

- 1) lumen output of the lamps,
- 2) type of luminaire,
- 3) proportion of the room (room index) ( $k_r$ ),
- 4) reflectance of internal surfaces of the room,
- 5) depreciation in the lumen output of the lamps after burning their rated life, and
- 6) depreciation due to dirt collection on luminous and room surface.

b) *Coefficient of Utilization or Utilization Factor*

1) The compilation of tables for the utilization factor requires a considerable amount of calculations, especially if these tables have to cover a wide range of lighting practices. For every luminaire, the exact light distribution has to be measured in the laboratory and their efficiencies have to be calculated and measured exactly. These measurements comprise:

- (i) the luminous flux radiated by the luminaires directly to the measuring surface,
- (ii) the luminous flux reflected and re- reflected by the ceiling and the walls to the measuring surface, and
- (iii) the inter-reflections between the ceiling and wall which result in the measuring surface receiving additional luminous flux.

All these measurements have to be made for different reflection factors of the ceiling and the walls for all necessary room indices. These tables have also to indicate the maintenance factor to be taken for the luminous flux depreciation throughout the life of an installation due to ageing of the lamp and owing to the deposition of dirt on the lamps and luminaires and room surfaces.

2) The values of the reflection factor of the ceiling and of the wall are as follows:

White and very light colours	0.7
Light colours	0.5
Middle tints	0.3
Dark colours	0.1

For the walls, taking into account the influence of the windows without curtains, shelves, almirahs and doors with different colours, etc, should be estimated,

c) Calculation for determining the luminous flux

$$E_{av} = \frac{\mu\phi}{A}$$

or,  $\phi = \frac{E_{av}A}{\mu}$  for new condition

and  $\phi = \frac{E_{av}A}{\mu d}$  for working condition

where

- $\phi$  = Total luminous flux of the light sources installed in the room in lumens;
- $E_{av}$  = Average illumination level required on the working plane in lux;
- $A$  = Area of the working plane in m<sup>2</sup>;
- $\mu$  = the utilization factor in new conditions; and
- $d$  = maintenance factor.

In practice, it is easier to calculate straightaway the number of lamps or luminaires from:

$$N_{\text{lamp}} = \frac{E_{av} A}{\mu d \phi_{\text{lamp}}}$$

$$N_{\text{luminaires}} = \frac{E_{av} A}{\mu d \phi_{\text{luminaires}}}$$

where

- $\phi_{\text{lamp}}$  = Luminous flux of each lamp in lumens,
- $\phi_{\text{luminaires}}$  = Luminous flux of each luminaire in lumens,
- $N_{\text{lamp}}$  = Total number of lamps, and
- $N_{\text{luminaires}}$  = Total number of luminaires

#### 5A.3.2.2.4 Arrangement of the luminaires

This is done to achieve better uniformly distributed illumination. The location of the luminaires has an important effect on the utilization factor.

- a) In general, luminaires are spaced 'a' metre apart in either direction, while the distance of the end luminaire from the wall is ' $\frac{1}{2}a$ ' metre. The distance 'a' is more or less equal to the mounting height ' $H_m$ ' between the luminaire and the working plane. The utilization factor tables are calculated for this arrangement of luminaires.
- b) For small rooms where the room index ( $k_r$ ) is less than 1, the distance 'a' should always be less than  $H_m$  since otherwise luminaires cannot be properly located. In most cases of such rooms, four or two luminaires are placed for good general lighting. If, however, in such rooms only one luminaire is installed in the middle, higher utilization factors are obtained, but the uniformity of distribution is poor. For such cases, references should be made to the additional tables for  $k_r = 0.6$  to 1.25 for luminaires located centrally.

#### 5A.3.2.3 Artificial Lighting to Supplement Day lighting

**5A.3.2.3.1** The need for general supplementary artificial lighting arises due to diminution of daylighting beyond design hours, that is, for solar altitude below  $15^\circ$  or when dark cloudy conditions occur.

**5A.3.2.3.2** The need may also arise for providing artificial lighting during the day in the inner most parts of the building which cannot be adequately provided with daylighting, or when the outside windows are not of adequate size or when there are unavoidable external obstructions to the incoming day lighting.

**5A.3.2.3.3** The need for supplementary lighting during the day arises, particularly when the daylighting on the working plane falls below 100 lux and the surrounding luminance drops below  $19 \text{ cd/m}^2$ .

**5A.3.2.3.4** The requirement of supplementary artificial lighting increases with the decrease in day lighting availability. Therefore, conditions near sunset or sunrise or equivalent conditions due to clouds or obstructions, etc, represent the worst conditions when the supplementary lighting is most needed.

**5A.3.2.3.5** The requirement of supplementary artificial lighting when day lighting

availability becomes poor may be determined from Fig. 2 for an assumed ceiling height of 3.0 m, depending upon floor area, fenestration percentage and room surface reflectance.

Cool daylight fluorescent tubes are recommended with semi-direct luminaires. To ensure a good distribution of illumination, the mounting height should be between 1.5 m and 2.0 m above the work plane for a separation of 2.0 m to 3.0 m between the luminaires. Also the number of lamps should preferably be more in the rear half of the room than in the vicinity of windows. The following steps may be followed for using Fig. 2 for determining the number of fluorescent tubes required for supplementary day lighting.

- a) Determine fenestration percentage of the floor area, that is,

$$\frac{\text{Window Area}}{\text{Floor Area}} \times 100$$

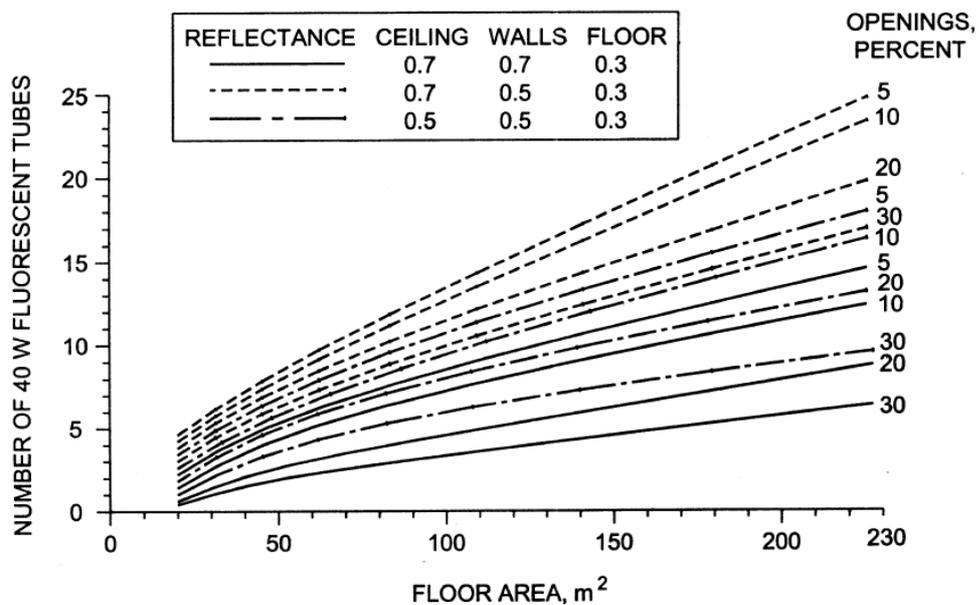
b) In Figure 2, refer to the curve corresponding to the percent fenestration determined above and the set of reflectances of ceiling, walls and floor actually provided.

c) For the referred curve of Figure 2 read, along the ordinate, the number of 40 W fluorescent tubes required, corresponding to the given floor area on the abscissa.

**5A.3.2.4** For detailed information on the design aspects and principles of artificial lighting, reference may be made to standard practice [(1) IS 3646].

**5A.3.2.5** For specific requirements for lighting of special occupancies and areas, reference may be made to Standard practice [(2) IS 1944].

**5A.3.2.6** Electrical installation aspect for artificial lighting shall be in accordance with Part 5B 'Building Services, Electrical and Allied Installations'.



**Figure 2: Supplementary Artificial Lighting for 40W Fluorescent Tubes**

### **A.3.3 Energy Conservation in Lighting**

**5A.3.3.1** A substantial portion of the energy consumed on lighting may be saved by utilization of daylight and rational design of supplementary artificial lights.

**5A.3.3.2** Daytime use of artificial lights may be minimized by proper design of windows for adequate daylight indoors.

**5A.3.3.3** Fenestration expressed as percentage of floor area required for satisfactory visual performance of a few tasks for different separation to height ( $S/H$ ) ratio of external obstructions such as opposite buildings may be obtained from the design nomograph (Figure 3). The obstructions at a distance of three times their height or more ( $S/H > 3$ ) from a window facade are not significant and a window facing such an obstruction may be regarded as a case of unobstructed window.

**5A.3.3.3.1** The nomograph consists of horizontal lines indicating fenestration percentage of floor area and vertical lines indicating the separation to height ratio of external obstructions such as opposite buildings. Any vertical line for separation to height ratio other than already shown in the nomograph (1.0, 2.0 and 3.0) may be drawn by designer, if required. For cases where there is no obstruction, the ordinate corresponding to the value 3.0 may be used. The value of percentage fenestration and separation to height ratio are marked on left hand ordinate and abscissa respectively. The illumination levels are marked on the right hand ordinate. The values given within brackets are the illumination levels on the work plane at centre and rear of the room. The wattage of fluorescent tubes required per square metre of the floor area for different illumination levels is shown on each curve.

**5A.3.3.3.2** Following assumptions have been made in the construction of the nomograph:

An average interior finish with ceiling white, walls off white and floor grey has been assumed.

Ceiling height of 3 m and room depths up to 10 m and floor area between 30 m<sup>2</sup> and 50 m<sup>2</sup> have been assumed. For floor area beyond 50 m<sup>2</sup> and less than 30 m<sup>2</sup>, the values of percent fenestration as well as wattage per m<sup>2</sup> should be multiplied by a factor of 0.85 and 1.15 respectively.

It is assumed that windows are of metallic sashes with louvers of width up to 600 mm or a *CHHAJJA* (balcony projection) at ceiling level of width up to 2.0 m. For wooden sashes, the window area should be increased by a factor of about 1.1.

Luminaires emanating more light in the downward direction than upward direction (such as reflectors with or without diffusing plastics) and mounted at a height of 1.5 m to 2.0 m above the work plane have been considered.

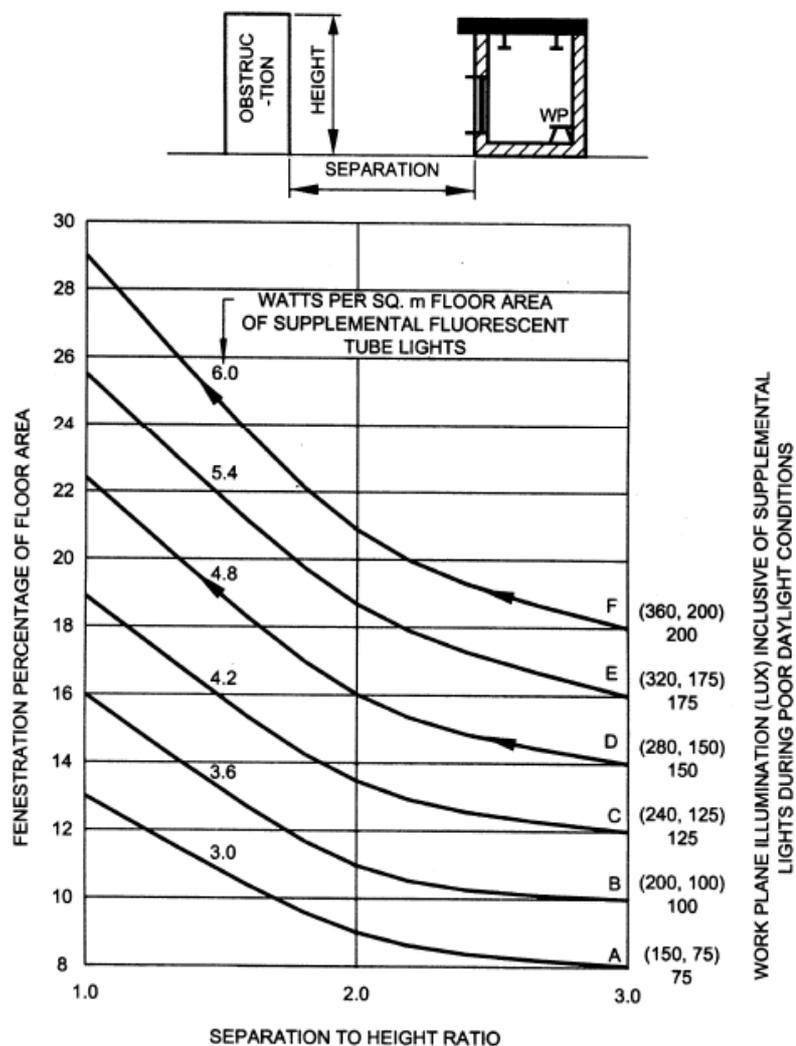
#### **5A.3.3.3.3 Method of use**

The following steps shall be followed for the use of nomograph:

*Step 1* — Decide the desired illumination level depending upon the task illumination requirement in the proposed room and read the value of watts per square metre on the curve corresponding to the required illumination level.

*Step 2* — Fix the vertical line corresponding to the given separation to height ratio of opposite buildings on the abscissa. From the point of intersection of this vertical line and the above curve move along horizontal, and read the value of fenestration percent on the left hand ordinate.

Step 3 — If the floor area is greater than 50 m<sup>2</sup> and less than 30 m<sup>2</sup>, the value of watts per square metre as well as fenestration percent may be easily determined for adequate day lighting and supplemental artificial lighting for design purposes. However, if the fenestration provided is less than the required value, the wattage of supplementary artificial lights should be increased proportionately to make up for the deficiency of natural illumination.



**Figure 3: Nomograph for Daylighting and Supplemental Lighting Design of Building**

**5A.3.3.4** For good distribution of day light on the working plane in a room, window height, window width and height of sill should be chosen in accordance with the following recommendations:

- a) In office buildings windows of height 1.2 m or more in the center of a bay with sill level at 1.0 to 1.2 m above floor and in residential buildings windows of height 1.0 m to 1.1 m with sill height as 0.9 m to 0.7 m above floor are recommended for good distribution of daylight indoors. Window width can accordingly be adjusted depending upon the required fenestration percentage of the floor area.
- b) If the room depth is more than 10 m, windows should be provided on opposite sides for bilateral lighting.

c) It is desirable to have a white finish for ceiling and off white (light colour) to white for walls. There is about 7 percent improvement in lighting levels in changing the finish of walls from moderate to white.

**5A.3.3.5** For good distribution and integration of daylight with artificial lights the following guidelines are recommended:

- a) Employ cool daylight fluorescent tubes for supplementary artificial lighting.
- b) Distribute luminaires with a separation of 2 m to 3 m in each bay of 3 m to 4 m width.
- c) Provide more supplementary lights such as twin tube luminaires in work areas where daylight is expected to be poor for example in the rear region of a room having single window and in the central region of a room having windows on opposite walls. In the vicinity of windows only single tube luminaires should be provided.

#### **5A.3.3.6** *Artificial Lighting*

Energy conservation in lighting is affected by reducing wastage and using energy effective lamps and luminaires without sacrificing lighting quality. Measures to be followed comprise utilization of daylight, energy effective artificial lighting design by providing required illumination where needed, turning off artificial lights when not needed, maintaining lighter finishes of ceiling, walls and furnishings, and implementing periodic schedule for cleaning of luminaires and group replacement of lamps at suitable intervals. Choice of light sources with higher luminous efficacy and luminaires with appropriate light distribution is the most effective means of energy saving in lighting. However, choice of light sources also depends on the other lighting quality parameters like colour rendering index and colour temperature or appearance. For example, high pressure sodium vapour lamps, which have very high luminous efficacy, are not suitable for commercial interiors because of poor colour rendering index and colour appearance, but are highly desirable in heavy industries. Also the choice of light sources depends on the mounting height in the interiors. For example, fluorescent lamps are not preferred for mounting beyond 7 m height, when high pressure gas discharge lamps are preferred because of better optical control due to their compact size.

##### **5A.3.3.6.1** *Efficient artificial light sources and luminaires*

Luminous efficacy of some of the lamps used in lighting of buildings are given in Table 2 along with average life in burning hours, Colour Rendering Index and Colour Temperature.

Following recommendations may be followed in the choice of light sources for different locations:

- a) For supplementary artificial lighting of work area in office building care should be taken to use fluorescent lamps, which match with colour temperature of the daylight.
- b) For residential buildings fluorescent lamps and/or CFLs of proper CRI and CCT are recommended to match with the colours and interior design of the room.
- c) For commercial interiors, depending on the mounting heights and interior design, fluorescent lamps, CFLs and low wattage metal halide lamps are recommended. For high lighting the displays in show windows, hotels, etc, low wattage tubular or dichroic reflector type halogen lamps can be used.
- d) For industrial lighting, depending on the mounting height and colour consideration fluorescent lamps, high pressure mercury vapour lamps or high pressure sodium vapour lamps are recommended.

**5A.3.3.6.2** For the same lumen output, it is possible to save 75 to 80 percent energy if GLS lamps are replaced with CFL and 65 to 70 percent if replaced with fluorescent lamps. Similar energy effective solutions are to be chosen for every application area.

Similarly with white fluorescent tubes recommended for corridors and staircases, the electrical consumption reduces to 1/4.5 of the energy consumption with incandescent lamps.

**Table 2: Luminous Efficacy, Life, CRI and CCT of Light Sources**

(Clause 5A.3.4.6.1)

SI No.	Light Source	Efficacy lm/W	Average Life h	CRI	CCT
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
i)	Incandescent Lamps GLS 25 W-1 000W	8-18	1 000	100	2 800
ii)	Tungsten halogen incandescent lamps Mains-voltage types: Low-voltage types with reflector have lower wattages	10% higher than comparable GLS lamp	2 000	100	2 800-3 200
iii)	Fluorescent Lamps (FTL) Standard Lamps 38 mm (T12) 20W-65 W 26mm (T8) 18W-58W Cool daylight Warm white Tri-Phosper lamps 38mm (T12) 20W-65W 26mm (T8) 18W-58W	61 67 88-104	5 000 5 000 12 000-18 000	72 77 85-95	6 500 3 500 2 700-6 500
iv)	Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL) 5W-25W	40-80	8 000	Similar to FTL	
v)	High pressure mercury vapour lamps 80W-400W	36-60	5 000	45	4 000
vi)	Blended __ Light Lamps MLL 100W-500W	11-26	5 000	61	3 600
vii)	High Pressure Sodium Vapour Lamps 50W-1 000W	69-130	10 000-15 000	23	2 000
viii)	Metal halide lamps 35W-2 000W	69-83	10 000	68-92	3 000-5 600

#### NOTES

- 1 The table includes lamps and wattages currently in use in buildings .
- 2 Luminous efficacy varies with the wattage of the lamp.
- 3 Average life values given are only indicative.
- 4 CRI and CCT values are only indicative.
- 5 For exact values, it is advisable to contact manufacturers.

**5A.3.3.6.3** Efficient luminaire also plays an important role for energy conservation in lighting. The choice of a luminaire should be such that it is efficient not only initially but also throughout its life. Following luminaries are recommended for different locations:

- a) For offices semi-direct type of luminaries are recommended so that both the work plane illumination and surround luminance can be effectively enhanced.
- b) For corridors and staircases direct type of luminaries with wide spread of light distributions are recommended.
- c) In residential buildings, bare fluorescent tubes are recommended. Wherever the incandescent lamps are employed, they should be provided white enamelled conical reflectors at an inclination of about  $45^\circ$  from vertical.
- d) High efficacy lamps are to be used in the lighting fixture wherever as possible or a minimum of 75 percent of the lamps in permanently installed lighting fixtures shall be high-efficacy lamps as according to IEC 2012.

## LIST OF STANDARDS

The following list records those standards which are acceptable as 'standard practice' and 'accepted standards' in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Code. The latest version of a standard shall be adopted at the time of enforcement of the Code. The standards listed may be used by the Authority as a guide in conformance with the requirements of the referred clauses in the Code.

IS No.	Title
(1) IS 3646	Code of practice for interior illumination: Part 1 General requirements and (Part 1): 1992 recommendations for building interiors ( <i>first revision</i> )
(2) 1944	Code of practice for lighting of public thoroughfares: Parts 1 and 2 For main and secondary roads (Group A and B) ( <i>first revision</i> )
2672 : 1966	Code of practice for library lighting
4347 : 1967	Code of practice for hospital lighting
6665 : 1972	Code of practice for industrial lighting
10894 : 1984	Code of practice for lighting educational institutions
10947 : 1984	Code of practice for lighting for ports and harbours
SP 32 : 1986	Handbook on functional requirements of industrial buildings (lighting and ventilation)
SP 41 : 1987	Handbook on functional requirements of buildings other than industrial buildings

References may be made to the following publications for the common personal protective equipment and tools used.

- [01] International Building Code 2009 (SECTION 1205 - LIGHTING)
- [02] International Energy Conservation Code 2009
- [03] ASHRAE hand book-Fundamentals 2009 (SECTION 15 - FENESTRATION)
- [04] International Energy Conservation Code 2012

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- [01] International building Code 2009: ... SECTION 1205 – Lighting
- [02] International Energy Conservation Code 2009
- [03] ASHRAE hand book – Fundamentals 2009 SECTION 15-FENESTRATION
- [04] International Energy Conservation code 2012 first print (online)

<http://publicecodes.citation.com/icod/iecc/2012/icodiecc2012re4sec004.htm>

**Provisions given in India National Lighting Code (under Preparation) may also be referred.**

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**PART 5B BUILDING SERVICES**

**Electrical and Allied Installations**

**5B.1 SCOPE**

This Section covers the essential requirements for electrical installations in buildings to ensure efficient use of electricity including safety from fire and shock. This Section also includes general requirements relating to lightning protection of buildings and lighting.

**5B.2.0 TERMINOLOGY AND SYMBOLS**

**5B.2.1** For the purpose of this Section, the following definitions shall apply.

**5B.2.1.1** *Accessory*—A device, other than current using equipment, associated with such equipment or with the wiring on an installation.

**5B.2.1.2** *Apparatus* —Electrical apparatus including all machines, appliances and fittings in which conductors are used or of which they form a part.

**5B.2.1.3** *Appliance*—An item of current using equipment other than a luminaire or an independent motor.

**5B.2.1.4** *Bunched* —Cables are said to be 'bunched' when two or more are contained within a single conduit, duct, ducting, or trunking or, if not enclosed, are not separated from each other.

**5B.2.1.5** *Cable* —A length of single-insulated conductor (solid or stranded), or two or more such conductors, each provided with its own insulation, which are laid up together. The insulated conductor or conductors may or may not be provided with an overall mechanical protective covering.

**5B.2.1.6** *Cable, Armoured*—A cable provided with a wrapping of metal (usually in the form of tape or wire) serving as a mechanical protection.

**5B.2.1.7** *Cable, Flexible* —A cable containing one or more cores, each formed of a group of wires, the diameters of the cores and of the wires being sufficiently small to afford flexibility.

**5B.2.1.8** *Cable, Metal-Sheathed* - An insulated cable with a metal sheath.

**5B.2.1.9** *Cable, PVC Sheathed-Insulated* —A cable in which the insulation of the conductor is a polyvinylchloride (PVC) compound; with PVC sheath also providing mechanical protection to the conductor core or cores in the cable.

**5B.2.1.10** *Cable, Weatherproof* —A cable so constructed that when installed in uncovered locations, it will withstand all kinds of weather variations (*see* **5B.2.1.80**, for definition of Weatherproofing).

**5B.2.1.11** *Cable, XLPE* —A cable in which the insulation of the conductor is cross-linked polythene and the mechanical protection is provided for the core or cores by a sheath of a polyvinylchloride compound.

**5B.2.1.12** *Ceiling Rose* —A fitting (usually used to attach to the ceiling) designed for the connection between the electrical installation wiring and a flexible cord (which is in turn connected to a lamp holder).

**5B.2.1.13 Circuit** —An assembly of electrical equipment supplied from the same origin and protected against overcurrent by the same protective device(s). Certain types of circuit are categorized as follows:

- a) *Category 1 Circuit* — A circuit (other than a fire alarm or emergency lighting circuit) operating at low voltage and supplied directly from a mains supply system.
- b) *Category 2 Circuit* — With the exception of fire alarm and emergency lighting circuits, any circuit for telecommunication (for example, radio, telephone, sound distribution, intruder alarm, bell and call and data transmission circuits) which is supplied from a safety source.
- c) *Category 3 Circuit* — A fire alarm circuit or an emergency lighting circuit.

**5B.2.1.14 Circuit Breaker** —A mechanical switching device capable of making, carrying and breaking currents under normal circuit conditions and also of making, carrying for a specified time, and breaking currents under specified abnormal circuit conditions such as those of short circuit.

NOTE — A circuit breaker is usually intended to operate infrequently, although some types are suitable for frequent operation.

**5B.2.1.15 Circuit, Final Sub** —An outgoing circuit connected to one-way distribution board and intended to supply electrical energy at one or more points to current, using appliances without the intervention of a further distribution board other than a one-way board. It includes all branches and extensions derived from that particular way in the board.

**5B.2.1.16 Cleat** —An insulated incombustible support normally used for insulated cable.

**5B.2.1.17 Conductor, Aerial** —Any conductor which is supported by insulators above the ground and is directly exposed to the weather.

NOTE — Four classes of aerial conductors are recognized:

- a) Bare aerial conductors,
- b) Covered aerial conductors,
- c) Insulated aerial conductors, and
- d) Weatherproof neutral-screened cable.

**5B.2.1.18 Conductor, Bare** —A conductor not covered with insulating material.

**5B.2.1.19 Conductor, Earthed** —A conductor with no provision for its insulation from earth.

**5B.2.1.20 Conductor, Insulated** —A conductor adequately covered with insulating material of such quality and thickness as to prevent danger.

**5B.2.1.21 Conductor of a Cable or Core** —The conducting portion consisting of a single wire or group of wires, assembled together and in contact with each other or connected in parallel.

**5B.2.1.22 Connector** —The part of a cable coupler or of an appliance coupler which is provided with female contact and is intended to be attached to the flexible cable connected to the supply.

**5B.2.1.23 Connector Box or Joint Box** —A box forming a part of wiring installation, provided to contain joints in the conductors of cables of the installations.

**5B.2.1.24 Connector for Portable Appliances** —A combination of a plug and socket arranged for attachment to a portable electrical appliance or to a flexible cord.

**5B.2.1.25** *Consumer's Terminals* —The ends of the electrical conductors situated upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service line.

**5B.2.1.26** *Cord, Flexible* —A flexible cable having conductor of small cross-sectional area. Two flexible cords twisted together are known as twin 'flexible cord'.

**5B.2.1.27** *Core of a Cable* — A single conductor of a cable with its insulation but not including any mechanical protective covering.

**5B.2.1.28** *Cut-out* —Any appliance for automatically interrupting the transmission of energy through anyconductor when the current rises above a predetermined amount.

**5B.2.1.29** *Damp Situation* — A situation in which moisture is either permanently present or intermittently present to such an extent as to be likely to impair the effectiveness of an installation conforming to the requirements for ordinary situations.

**5B.2.1.30** *Dead* —A portion of the circuit (normally expected to carry a voltage) at or near about earth potential or apparently disconnected from any live system.

**5B.2.1.31** *Direct Earthing System* —A system of earthing in which the parts of an installation are so earthed as specified but are not connected within the installation to the neutral conductor of the supply system or to earth through the trip coil of an earth leakage circuit-breaker.

**5B.2.1.32** *Distance Area or Resistance Area (for Earth Electrode only)* — The area of ground (around an earth electrode) within which a voltage gradient measurable with ordinary commercial instruments exists when the electrode is being tested.

**5B.2.1.33** *Discrimination (Over-Current Discrimination)* —Co-ordination of the operating characteristics of two or more over-current protective devices such that, on the incidence of over-currents within stated limits, the device intended to operate within these limits does so, while the others do not.

#### NOTES

1) Protective devices should have discrimination so that only the affected part (minimum section) of the circuit is isolated, even though a number of protective devices may be in the path of the over current.

2) Distinction is made between series discrimination involving different over-current protective devices passing substantially the same over-current and network discrimination involving identical protective devices passing different proportions of the over-current.

**5B.2.1.34** *Earth* —The conductive mass of the earth, whose electric potential at any point is conventionally taken as zero.

**5B.2.1.35** *Earth Continuity Conductor* —The conductor, including any clamp, connecting to the earthing lead or to each other those parts of an installation which are required to be earthed. It may be in whole or in part the metal conduit or the metal sheath or armour of the cables, or the special continuity conductor of a cable or flexible cord incorporating such a conductor.

**5B.2.1.36** *Earth Electrode* — A conductor or group of conductors in intimate contact with and providing an electrical connection to earth.

**5B.2.1.37** *Earth Fault* —Accidental connections of a conductor to earth when the impedance is negligible, the connection is called a dead earth.

**5B.2.1.38** *Earthing Lead*—The final conductor by which the connection to the earth electrode is made.

**5B.2.1.39** *Earth Leakage Circuit Breaker System* — A system of earthing in which the parts of an installation, specified, to be earthed are so earthed through one or more earth leakage circuit-breakers or relays.

**5B.2.1.40** *Enclosed Distribution Board* —An enclosure containing bus bars with one or more control and protected devices for the purpose of protecting, controlling or connecting more than one outgoing circuits fed from one or more incoming circuits.

**5B.2.1.41** *Exposed Metal* —All metal parts of an installation which are easily accessible other than:

- a) parts separated from live parts by double insulation;
- b) metal name-plates, screw heads, covers, or plates, which are supported on or attached or
  - i. connected to substantial non-conducting material only in such a manner that they do not
  - ii. become alive in the event of failure of insulation of live parts and whose means of fixing
  - iii. do not come in contact with any internal metal; and
- c) parts which are separated from live parts by other metal parts which are themselves
  - i. earthed or have double insulation.

**5B.2.1.42** *Fire resistant cable*— A cable which continues in service after exposure to a temperature of 900°C for 20 min or 700°C for 90 min.

**5B.2.1.43** *Fitting, Lighting* —A device for supporting or containing a lamp or lamps (for example, fluorescent or incandescent) together with any holder, shade, or reflector, for example, a bracket, a pendant with ceiling rose, an electrolier, or a portable unit.

**5B.2.1.44** *Flameproof Enclosure* —An enclosure which will withstand without injury any explosion of inflammable gas that may occur within it under practical conditions of operation within the rating of the apparatus (and recognized overloads, if any, associated with) and will prevent the transmission of flame which may ignite any inflammable gas that may be present in the surrounding atmosphere.

NOTES

- 1) Hazardous areas are classified into different zones, depending upon the extent to which an explosive atmosphere could exist at that place. In such areas flame proof switchgear, fittings, accessories, have to be used/installed in flameproof enclosure.
- 2) An electrical apparatus is not considered as flameproof unless it complies with the appropriate statutory regulations.
- 3) Other types of fittings are also in vogue in wiring installations, for example, 'increased safety'.

**5B.2.1.45** *Flame Retardant Cable* —Flame retardant cable with reduced halogen evaluation and smoke.

**5B.2.1.46** *Fuse* —A device that, by the fusion of one or more of its specially designed and proportioned components, opens the circuit in which it is inserted when the current through it exceeds a given value for a sufficient time. The fuse comprises all the parts that form the complete device.

**5B.2.1.47** *Fuse-Element* —A part of the fuse-link designed to melt under the action of current exceeding some definite value for a definite period of time.

**5B.2.1.48** *Harmonics (Current and Voltage)* — All alternating current which is not absolutely sinusoidal is made up of a fundamental and a certain number of current harmonics which are the cause of its deformation (distortion) when compared to the theoretical sine-wave.

**5B.2.1.49** *Inflammable* —A material capable of being easily ignited.

**5B.2.1.50** *Installation (Electrical), of Buildings* — An assembly of associated electrical equipment to fulfill a specific purpose or purposes and having coordinated characteristics.

**5B.2.1.51** *Insulated*—Insulated shall mean separated from adjacent conducting material or protected from personal contact by a non-conducting substance or an air space, in either case offering permanently sufficient resistance to the passage of current or to disruptive discharges through or over the surface of the substance or space, to obviate danger or shock or injurious leakage of current.

**5B.2.1.52** *Insulation, Basic* —Insulation applied to live parts to provide basic protection against electric shock.

NOTE— Basic insulation does not necessarily include insulation used exclusively for functional purposes.

**5B.2.1.53** *Insulation, Double* —Insulation comprising both basic and supplementary insulation.

**5B.2.1.54** *Insulation (Electrical)* —Suitable non-conducting material, enclosing, surrounding or supporting a conductor.

**5B.2.1.55** *Insulation, Reinforced* —Single insulation applied to live parts, which provides a degree of protection against electric shock equivalent to double insulation under the conditions specified in the relevant standard.

NOTE — The term 'single insulation' does not imply that the insulation must be one homogeneous piece. It may comprise several layers which cannot be tested singly as supplementary or basic insulation.

**5B.2.1.56** *Insulation, Supplementary* —Independent insulation applied in addition to basic insulation in order to provide protection against electric shock in the event of a failure of basic insulation.

**5B.2.1.57** *Linked Switch* —Switches linked together mechanically so as to operate simultaneously or in definite sequence.

**5B.2.1.58** *Live or Alive* —Electrically charged so as to have a potential different from that of earth.

**5B.2.1.59** *Locations, Industrial* — Locations where tools and machinery requiring electrical wiring are installed for manufacture or repair.

**5B.2.1.60** *Locations, Non-Industrial* —Locations other than industrial locations, and shall include residences, offices, shops, showrooms, stores and similar premises requiring electrical wiring for lighting, or similar purposes.

**5B.2.1.61** *Miniature Circuit Breaker* —Mechanical switching device capable of making, carrying and breaking currents under normal circuit conditions and also making carrying currents for specified times and automatically breaking currents under specified abnormal circuit conditions such as those of overload and short circuits.

**5B.2.1.62** *Multiple Earthed Neutral System* —A system of earthing in which the parts of an installation specified to be earthed are connected to the general mass of earth and, in addition, are connected within the installation to the neutral conductor of the supply system.

**5B.2.1.63** *Neutral Conductor* —Includes the neutral conductor of a three-phase four-wire system, the conductor of a single-phase or dc installation which is earthed by the supply undertaking (or otherwise at the source of the supply), and the middle wire or common return conductor of a three-wire dc or single-phase ac system.

**5B.2.1.64 Plug**— A device, provided with contact pins, which is intended to be attached to a Flexible cable, and which can be engaged with a socket outlet or with a connector.

**5B.2.1.65 Point (in Wiring)** —A termination of the fixed wiring intended for the connection of current using equipment.

**5B.2.1.66 Residual Current Circuit Breaker** —A mechanical switching device design to make, carry and break currents under normal service conditions and to cause the opening of the contacts when the residual currents attains a giving value under specified conditions.

**5B.2.1.67 Service**—The conductors and equipment required for delivering energy from the electric supply system to the wiring system of the premises served.

**5B.2.1.68 Socket-Outlet** —Accessory having socket contacts designed to engage with the pins of a plug and having terminals for the connection of cable(s).

NOTE — A luminaire track system is not regarded as a socket- outlet system.

**5B.2.1.69 Switch** —A mechanical switching device capable of making, carrying and breaking current under normal circuit conditions, which may include specified operating overload conditions, and also of carrying for a specified time currents under specified abnormal circuit conditions such as those of short circuit.

NOTE —A switch may also be capable of making, but not breaking, short-circuit currents.

**5B.2.1.70 Switchboard** —An assembly of switchgear with or without instruments, but the term does not apply to a group of local switches in a final circuit.

NOTE — The term 'switchboard' includes a distribution board.

**5B.2.1.71 Switch Disconnectors**—A device used to open (or close) a circuit when either negligible current is interrupted (or established) or when the significant change in the voltage across the terminals of each of the pole of the disconnectors occurs; in the open position it provides an isolating distance between the terminals of each pole.

**5B.2.1.72 Switch Disconnecter Fuse** —A composite unit, comprising a switch with the fuse contained in or mounted on the moving member of the switch.

**5B.2.1.73 Switchgear** —A general term covering switching devices and their combination with associated control, measuring, protective and regulating equipment, also assemblies of such devices and equipment with associated interconnections, accessories, enclosures and supporting structures, intended in principle for use in connection with generation, transmission, distribution and conversion of electric energy.

**5B.2.1.74 Usable Wall Space**—All portions of a wall, except that occupied by a door in its normal open position, or occupied by a fire place opening, but excluding wall spaces which are less than 1 min extent measured along the wall at the floor line.

**5B.2.1.75 Voltage, Extra Low (ELV)** —The voltage which does not normally exceed 50 Va.c.

**5B.2.1.76 Voltage, Low (LV)** —The voltage which normally exceed 50 Va.c but not normally exceed 1000 Va.c.

**5B.2.1.77 Voltage, Medium (MV)** —The voltage which normally exceeds 1000 Va.cbut not exceed 33 kVa.c.

**5B.2.1.78 Voltage, High (HT, HV)**—The voltage which normally exceeds 33kVa.c but not exceed 230 kVa.c.

**5B.2.1.79** *Weatherproof*—Accessories, lighting fittings, current-using appliances and cables are said to be of the weatherproof type, if they are so constructed that when installed in open situation they will withstand the effects of rain, snow, dust and temperature variations. For definition of other terms reference may be made to accepted standards [(1) IS 8270].

### **5B.2.2 Symbols**

The architectural symbols that are to be used in all drawings, wiring plans, etc, for electrical installations in buildings shall be as given in **Annex A**. For other graphical symbols used in electro-technology, reference may be made to Standard practice [(1) IS 8270].

## **5B.3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**5B.3.1** The installation shall generally be carried out in conformity with the requirements of the Myanmar Electricity Rules and Regulations.

### **5B.3.2 Materials**

All materials, fittings, appliances, etc, used in electrical and allied installations, shall conform to Building Materials' and other related Standards.

### **5B.3.3 Coordination with Local Supply Authority**

- a) In all cases, that is, whether the proposed electrical work is a new installation or extension of an existing one, or a modification involving major changes, the electricity supply undertaking shall be consulted about the feasibility, etc, at an early date.
- b) Addition to an Installation — An addition, temporary or permanent, shall not be made to the authorized load of an existing installation, until it has been definitely ascertained that the current carrying capacity and the condition of existing accessories, conductors, switches, etc, affected, including those of the supply authority are adequate for the increased load. The size of the cable/ conductor shall be suitably selected on the basis of the ratings of the protective devices. Ratings of protective devices and their types shall be based on the installed load, switching characteristics and power factor
  - c) Load assessment and application of suitable diversity factor to estimate the full load current shall be made as a first step. This should be done for every circuit, submain and feeder. Power factor and efficiency of loads shall also be considered. Diversity factor assumed shall be based on one's own experience. Allowance should be made for about 15 percent to 20 percent for extension in near future and the design circuit is calculated for each circuit and submain. The wiring system to be adopted should also be decided in accordance with the environmental requirements. The sizes of wiring cables are decided not merely to carry the load currents, but also to withstand thermal effects of likely over currents and also ensure acceptance level of voltage drop.

### **5B.3.4 Power Factor Improvement in Consumers' Installation**

**5B.3.4.1** Conditions of supply of electricity boards or licensees stipulate the lower-limit of power factor which is generally 0.85.

**5B.3.4.2** Principal causes of low power factor are many. For guidance to the consumers of electric energy who take supply at low and medium voltages for improvement of power factor, reference shall be made in accordance with Standard practice [(2) IS 7752].

### **5B.3.5 Execution of Work**

Unless otherwise exempted under the appropriate rule of the Myanmar Electricity Rules, the work of electrical installations shall be carried out by a licensed electrical contractor and under the direct supervision of a person holding a certificate of competency and by persons holding a valid permit issued and recognized by any State Government.

**5B.3.6** Safety procedures and practices shall be kept in view during execution of the work in accordance with Standard practice [(4) IS 10118].

**5B.3.7** Safety provisions given in Part 4 'Fire and Life Safety' shall be followed.

## **5B.4 PLANNING OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS**

### **5B.4.1 General**

The design and planning of an electrical wiring installation involve consideration of all prevailing conditions, and is usually influenced by the type and requirement of the consumer. A competent electrical design engineer should be involved at the planning stage with a view to providing for an installation that will prove adequate for its intended purpose, and safe and efficient in its use. The information given in **5B.3** shall also be kept in view.

**5B.4.1.1** The design and planning of an electrical wiring installation shall take into consideration, some or all of the following:

- a) the type of supply, occupancy, envisaged load and the earthing arrangement available;
- b) the atmospheric condition, such as cooling air temperature, moisture or such other conditions which are likely to affect the installation adversely;
- c) the possible presence of inflammable or explosive dust, vapour or gas;
- d) the degree of electrical and mechanical protection necessary;
- e) the importance of continuity of service including the possible need for standby supply;
- f) the probability of need for modification or future extension;
- g) the probable operation and maintenance cost taking into account the electricity supply tariffs available;
- h) the relative cost of various alternative methods;
- i) the need for radio and telecommunication interference suppression;
- j) ease of maintenance;
- k) safety aspects;
- l) energy conservation
- m) the importance of proper discrimination between protective devices for continuity of supply and limited isolation of only the affected portion; and
- n) reliable and sustainable electricity supply

**5B.4.1.2** All electrical apparatus shall be suitable for the services these are intended for.

### **5B.4.1.3 Co-ordination**

Proper co-ordination and collaboration between the architect, civil engineer and the electrical and mechanical engineer shall be effected from the planning stage of the installation. The provisions

that will be needed for the accommodation of substation, transformer, switch rooms, service cable ducts, rising mains and distribution cables, sub-distribution boards, openings and chases in floors and walls for all required electrical installations, etc, shall be specified in advance.

**5B.4.1.4** Before starting wiring and installation of fittings and accessories, information should be exchanged between the owner of the building/architect/electrical contractor and the local supply authority in respect of tariffs applicable, types of apparatus that may be connected under each tariff, requirement of space for installing meters, switches, etc, and for total load requirements of lights, fans and power.

**5B.4.1.5** While planning an installation, consideration should be taken of the anticipated increase in the use of electricity for lighting, general purpose socket-outlet, kitchen heating, etc. It is essential that adequate provision should be made for all the services which may be required immediately and during the intended useful life of the building, for the householder may otherwise be tempted to carry out extension of the installation himself or to rely upon use of multi-plug adaptors and long flexible cords, both of which are not recommended.

#### **5B.4.2 Location and Requirement of Substation**

Information on location and requirements of a substation should cover the following:

##### **5B.4.2.1 Location**

- a) The substation should preferably be located in separate building and could be adjacent to the generator room, if any. Location of substation in the basement floors should be avoided, as far as possible.
- b) The ideal location for an electrical substation for a group of buildings would be at the electrical load centre on the ground floor.
- c) The floor level of the substation or switch room shall be above the highest flood level of the locality.
- d) Generally the load centre would be somewhere between the geometrical centre and the air conditioning plant room, as air conditioning plant room would normally be the largest chunk of load, if the building is air conditioned.
- e) Substations with oil filled equipment will require great consideration for the fire detection, protection and suppression. Oil cooled transformers require a suitable soak pit with gravity flow to contain the oil in the event of the possibility of oil spillage from the transformer on its failure. Substations with oil filled equipment shall not be located in any floor other than the ground floor or a semi-basement. Such substations with high oil content may be housed in a separate service building or a substation building, which is not the part of a multi-storied building.
- f) In case electric substation has to be located within the main multi-storied building itself for unavoidable reasons, then it should be located on the floor close to ground level, but shall have direct access from the street for operation of the equipments. The provision for installation and removal of substation equipments may be provided from inside the building.
- g) Substations located within a multi-storied building shall not have oil filled transformers, even if it is at the ground level (see Myanmar Fire Department Instruction). Substations with very little combustible material, such as a Dry type transformer, with Vacuum (or SF<sub>6</sub>) HT switchgear and ACB or MCCB for MV can be located in the basement as well as upper floors in a building with high load density in the upper floors. (Some functional buildings

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such as hospitals, air traffic control towers, computer centers are likely to have high loading in a few upper floors and in such cases, it may be preferable to provide oil-free substations at upper levels. This measure will decrease the current flow at various points, thereby contributing to reduction of vulnerability to fire).

- h) The power supply control to any such substation or transformer (located at basement levels or upper floors) shall be from a location on ground floor/first basement level having direct access from outside so that in case of fire, the electrical supply can be easily disconnected.
- i) Oil filled transformers may be used only in substations located in separate single or two storied service buildings outside the main building structure and there shall at least 6 meter clear distance between the adjoining buildings and substation such that fire tender is able to pass between the two structures.
- j) If dry type transformer is used, it may be located adjacent to medium voltage switchgear in the form of unit type substation. No separate room or fire barrier for the transformer is required, in a substation with oil free equipment. In such a case the room size will decrease. Layout of equipment has to keep the requirement that any one piece of equipment or sub-assembly can be taken out of service and out of the installed location, while keeping the remaining system in service.
- k) The emergency power supply (such as Generating Sets) should not be allowed to be installed above ground floor or below first basement level of building. There shall be provision of separate direct escape and entry into these areas from outside so that in case of fire, electrical supplies can be disconnected to avoid additional losses which may be caused due to electrical supply, present at the time of fire.

### Note:

In unavoidable circumstances emergency generators, power transformers, chiller units, water pumps and other heavy equipment machineries can also be installed in the intermediate floor level of a tall building, designated as mechanical service floors, provided that the building can safely withstand both static and dynamic load of the said installed equipment in the event of seismic vibration and similar ones, and that shall be certified by the authority concerned. So also in such a case acoustics and environmental disturbances together with ease of maintenance and access for the people shall be considered and it shall be within the acceptable limits. Standard fire protection system shall be provided in respective equipment rooms also.

- l) For transformers having large oil content (more than 2 000 litres) Myanmar Electricity Rules shall apply.
- m) Facility for connection from substation to adjoining building to feed essential emergency load in that building, such as escape route lighting, fire or sprinkler pumps, emergency communication systems shall be provided. Similarly, the essential emergency load switchboard of this building or building complex should be so as to be capable of receiving power for such loads from the adjoining building or building complex, with its own substation/DG sets shut off due to crisis conditions such as fire,
- n) The availability of power lines nearby may also be kept in view while deciding the location of the substation,
- o) For detailed information regarding location of transformers reference may be made to Standard practice [(3) IS 5216].
- p) All door openings from substation, electrical rooms, etc should open towards outside.

**5B.4.2.2** *Type of Building for Substations*

The substations enclosure, that is, walls, floor, ceiling, openings, doors, etc shall have 2 hour fire rating (See Myanmar Fire Department Instructions).

**5B.4.2.3** *Layout of Substation*

In allocating the area of substation, it is to be noted that the flow of electric power is from supply company's room to HV room, then to transformer and finally to the medium voltage switchgear room. The layout of the room shall be in accordance with this flow, so as to optimize the cables, bus-trunking etc. Visibility of equipment controlled from the operating point of the controlling switchgear is also a desirable feature, though it may not be achievable in case of large substation.

**5B.4.2.4** *Room /Spaces Required*

Generally the following rooms /spaces are required in a substation:

- a) Supply company's switchgear room and/or space for meters.
- b) Capacity and Size — The capacity of a substation depends upon the area of the building and its type. The capacity of substation may be determined based on the following load requirements:

After calculating the electrical load on the above basis, a load factor of 70-90 percent is to be applied to arrive at the minimum capacity of substation. The area required for substation and transformer room for different capacities is given in **Annex B** for general guidance. For reliability, it would be necessary to split the load into more than one transformer and also provide for standby transformer as well as multiple sources, bus-section, etc.

- c) *High Voltage Switch Room*— In case of substation having one transformer and one source of supply, the owner is required to provide one high voltage switch. In case of single point supply with two or more transformers the number of switch required will be one for incoming supply and one for each transformer. In case of duplicate supply two switches shall be provided with mechanical/electrical interlocking arrangement where necessary in cables with switches. In case the number of incoming and outgoing switches exceed five, bus coupler of suitable capacity should invariably be provided. The floor area required in case of a single switch is roughly 4 m x 4 m and for every additional switch the length would be increased by 1 m.
- d) Facility for connection from substation of adjoining building to feed emergency loads shall be permitted for feeding escape route and signage lighting as well as selected section of the fire protection system. Similarly on a reciprocal basis facility to feed the adjoining building for such emergency loads may be provided by necessary switchgear.
- e) *Medium Voltage Switch Room* — The floor area required in respect of medium voltage switchgear room may be determined keeping in view the number and type of incoming/outgoing bus coupler switches including likely expansion in future.
- f) *Room for Standby Generator* — It is preferable to install the standby generator in service building. If installed in main building it shall be at the ground floor or at the semi basement, alternatively, in the first basement with facilities for forced ventilation. Adequate space shall be provided for storing of fuel. Compartmentation for fire protection with detection and first-aid protection measures is essential. Different type of requirements exist for the diesel engine and generator for the oil storage area and for the switchgear.

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**Table of Typical Allowances for Diversity**

Purpose of Final Circuit Fed from Conductors or Switchgear to which Diversity Applies	Individual Household Installations, including Individual Dwelling of a Block	Type of Premises Small, Shops, Stores Offices and Business Premises	Type of Premises Small Hotels, Boarding Houses etc.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Lighting	66% of total demand	90% of total current demand	75% of total current demand
Heating and power	80% of total current demand up to 10 A +40% of any current demand in excess of 10A	80% full load of largest appliance +60% of remaining appliances	80% full load of largest appliance +60% of second largest appliances +40% of remaining appliances
Cooking appliances	10A +30% full load of connected cooking appliances in excess of 10 A + 5 A if socket-outlet incorporated in unit	80% full load of largest appliance +60% full load of second largest appliance +50% full load of remaining appliances	80% of largest appliance +60% full load of second largest appliance +50% full load of remaining appliances
Motors (other than lift motors which are subject to special consideration)		80% full load of largest motor +60% full load of second largest motor +50% full load of remaining motors	80% full load of largest motor + 50% full load of remaining motors
Water heater	80% full load of largest appliance +50% of second largest appliance +25% full load of remaining appliances	80% full load of largest appliance +60% of second largest appliance +25% full load of remaining appliances	80% full load of largest appliance +60% of second largest appliance +25% full load of remaining appliances
Floor warming Installations	50%		
Water heaters thermal storage space heating installations	50%		
Standard arrangements of final circuits	80% of current demand of largest circuit +40% of current demand of every other circuit	80% of current demand of largest circuit +50% of current demand of every other circuit	
Socket outlets other than those included above and stationary equipment other than those listed above	80% of current demand of largest point of +40% of current demand of every other point of.	80% of current demand of largest point of +60% of current demand of every other point of	80% of current demand of largest point of +60% of current demand of every point in main rooms (dinning rooms, etc) +40% of current demand of every other point of

Note: 1. For the purpose of the table an instantaneous water heater is deemed to be a water heater of any loading which heats water only while the tap is turned on and therefore uses electricity intermittently.  
 2. It is important to ensure that the distribution boards are of sufficient rating to take the total load connected to them without the application of any diversity.  
 3. Diversity factor shall apply according to the specific requirement.

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- g) Facilities including space at appropriate positions, relative to the location of the installed equipment has to be kept in the layout design for removal of equipment or sub-assemblies for repair or maintenance. When it is located, other than the ground level with direct equipment access, a hatch or ramp shall be required.
- h) Other environmental requirements under the provisions of Standard Environment Protection Rules, from the aspect of engine emissions including regarding the height of exhaust pipe and permitted noise levels/noise control.
- i) The capacity of standby generating set shall be chosen on the basis of essential light load, essential air conditioning load, essential equipment load and essential services load, such as one lift out of the bank of lifts, one or all water pumps, etc. Having chosen the capacity and number of generating sets, required space may be provided for their installation (see **Annex C** for general guidance).
- j) The generating set should preferably be housed adjacent to MV switchgear in the substation building to enable transfer of electrical load quickly as well as to avoid transfer of vibration and noise to the main building. Acoustics lining of the room shall be in line with the Standard requirement. If DG Set is located outdoor, it shall be housed in acoustics enclosure. The generator house should have proper ventilation, fire-fighting equipment, etc (*see Myanmar Fire Department Instruction*).
- k) *Requirements of Room*
  - 1) The areas given above in respect of the different categories of rooms holds good if they are provided with windows and independent access doors in accordance with local regulations.
  - 2) All the rooms shall be provided with partitions up to the ceiling and shall have proper ventilation. Special care should be taken to ventilate the transformer rooms and where necessary louvers at lower level and exhaust fans at higher level shall be provided at suitable locations.
  - 3) In order to prevent storm water entering the transformer and switch rooms through the soak-pits, the floor level, the substation shall be at least 15 cm above the highest flood water level that may be anticipated in the locality. Also, facility shall be provided for automatic removal of water.
  - 4) The minimum height of high voltage switchgear room shall be 3.6 m below the soffit of the beam.
- l) *Fire Compartmentation*— It is advisable to provide fire compartmentation of buildings and segregation of associated wiring. Busbar trunking of horizontal and vertical distribution type in place of cable based distribution system shall be used.

### **5B.4.3 Location of Switch Room**

In large installations other than where a substation is provided, a separate switch room shall be provided; this shall be located as closely as possible to the electrical load centre preferably near the entrance of the building on the ground floor or on the first basement level, and suitable ducts shall be laid with minimum number of bends from the points of entry of the main supply cable to the position of the main switchgear. The switch room shall also be placed in such a position that rising ducts may readily be provided there from to the upper floors of the building in one straight vertical run. In larger buildings, more than one rising duct may be required and then horizontal ducts may also be required for running cables from the switch room to the foot of each rising main. Such cable ducts shall be either reserved for the electrical services only or provided with

a means of segregation for medium and low voltage installations, such as call-bell systems; telephone installations, fire detection and alarm system, announcement or public address system. Cables for essential emergency services such as those related to fire detection, alarm, announcement should use either metal conduit in addition to physical segregation from power cables or use fire resistant cables, so that the service is maintained even in the event of a fire at least for a period of about 2 hrs.

#### **5B.4.4 Location and Requirements of Distribution Panels**

The electrical control gear distribution panels and other apparatus, which are required on each floor may conveniently be mounted adjacent to the rising mains, and adequate space should be provided at each floor for this purpose.

#### **5B.4.5 Substation Safety**

The owner or the operator of any substation shall be collectively and severally be responsible for any lapse or neglect leading to an accident or an incidence of an avoidable abnormality and shall take care of the safety requirements as follows:

- a) enclose the substation where necessary to prevent, so far as is reasonably practicable, danger or unauthorized access;
- b) enclose any part of the substation, which is open to the air and contains live equipment which is not encased, with a fence or wall not less than 2.4 m in height to prevent, so far as is reasonably practicable, danger or unauthorized access;
- c) ensure that, so far as is reasonably practicable, there are at all times displayed:
- d) sufficient safety signs of such size and placed in such positions as are necessary to give due warning of such danger as is reasonably foreseeable in the circumstances;
- e) a notice which is placed in a conspicuous position and which gives the location or identification of the substation, the name of each generator or distributor who owns or operates the substation equipment making up the substation and the telephone number where a suitably qualified person appointed for this purpose by the generator or distributor will be in constant attendance; and
- f) such other signs, which are of such size and placed in such positions, as are necessary to give due warning of danger having regard to the sitting of, the nature of, and the measures taken to ensure the physical security of, the substation equipment; and
- g) take all reasonable precautions to minimize the risk of fire associated with the equipment.

#### **5B.4.6 Overhead Lines, Wires and Cables**

##### **5B.4.6.1 Height Requirement**

While overhead lines may not be relevant within buildings, regulations related to overhead lines are of concern from two different angles.

- a) Overhead lines may be required in building complexes, though use of underground cables is the preferred alternative.
- b) Overhead lines may be passing through the site of a building. In such a case the safety aspects are important for the construction activity in the vicinity of the overhead line as well as portions of low height buildings that may have to be constructed below the overhead lines. For minimum distance (vertical and horizontal) of electric lines/wires/cables from buildings, reference may be made to the Myanmar Electricity Rules and Regulations.

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- c) Any person responsible for erecting an overhead line will keep informed the authority(s) responsible for services in that area for telecommunication, gas distribution, water and sewage network, roads so as to have proper co-ordination to ensure safety. He shall also publish the testing, energizing programme for the line in the interests of safety.

### **5B.4.6.2** *Position, Insulation and Protection of Overhead Lines*

Any part of an overhead line which is not connected with earth and which is not ordinarily accessible shall be supported on insulators or surrounded by insulation. Any part of an overhead line which is not connected with earth and which is ordinarily accessible shall be:

- a) made dead; or
- b) so insulated that it is protected, so far it is reasonably practicable, against mechanical damage or interference; or
- c) adequately protected to prevent danger.

Any person responsible for erecting a building or structure which will cause any part of an overhead line which is not connected with earth to become ordinarily accessible shall give reasonable notice to the generator or distributor who owns or operates the overhead line of his intention to erect that building or structure.

Any bare conductor not connected with earth, which is part of a low voltage overhead line, shall be situated throughout its length directly above a bare conductor which is connected with earth.

No overhead line shall, so far as is reasonably practicable, come so close to any building, tree or structure as to cause danger.

In this regulation the expression "ordinarily accessible" means the overhead line could be reached by hand if any scaffolding, ladder or other construction was erected or placed on/in, against or near to a building or structure.

### **5B.4.6.3** *Precautions Against Access and Warnings of Dangers*

Every support carrying a high voltage overhead line shall, if the circumstances reasonably require, be fitted with devices to prevent, so far it is reasonably practicable, any unauthorized person from reaching a position at which any such line would be a source of danger.

Every support carrying a high voltage overhead line, and every support carrying a low voltage overhead line incorporating bare phase conductors, shall have attached to it sufficient safety signs and placed in such positions as are necessary to give due warning of such danger as is reasonably foreseeable in the circumstances.

Poles supporting overhead lines near the road junction and turnings shall be protected by a masonry or earth fill structure or metal barricade, to prevent a vehicle from directly hitting the pole, so that the vehicle, if out of control, is restrained from causing total damage to the live conductor system, likely to lead to a hazardous condition on the road or foot path or building.

### **5B.4.6.4** *Fitting of Insulators to Stay Wires*

Every stay wire which forms part of, or is attached to, any support carrying an overhead line incorporating bare phase conductors (except where the support is a lattice steel structure or other structure entirely of metal and connected to earth) shall be fitted with an insulator no part of which shall be less than 3 m above ground or above the normal height of any such line attached to that support.

### **5B.4.7 Maps of Underground Networks**

**5B.4.7.1** Any person or organization or authority laying cables shall contact the local authority in charge of that area and find out the layout of

- a) water distribution pipe lines in the area;
- b) sewage distribution network;
- c) telecommunication network; and
- d) gas pipeline network and plan the cable network in such a manner that the system is compatible, safe and non interfering either during its installation or during its operation and maintenance. Plan of the proposed cable installation shall be brought to the notice of the other authorities referred above.

**5B.4.7.2** Suitable cable markers and danger sign as would be appropriate for the safety of the workmen of any of the systems shall be installed along with the cable installation. Notification of testing and energizing of the system shall also be suitably published for ensuring safety.

**5B.4.7.3** Any person or organization or authority laying cables shall have and, so far it is reasonably practicable, keep up to date, a map or series of maps indicating the position and depth below surface level of all networks or parts there of which he owns or operates.

Any map prepared or kept shall be available for inspection by any of the municipal authority, other service providers, general public provided they have a reasonable cause for requiring to inspect any part of the map.

## **5B.5 DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLY AND CABLING**

### **5B.5.0 General**

In the planning and design of an electrical wiring installation, due consideration shall be made of all the prevailing conditions. It is recommended that advice of a competent electrical engineer be sought at the initial stage itself with a view to providing an installation, that will prove adequate for its intended purpose be reliable and safe and efficient.

A certain redundancy in the electrical system is necessary and has to be built in from the initial design stage itself. The extent of redundancy will depend on the type of load, its criticality, normal hours of use, quality of power supply in that area, co-ordination with the standby power supply, capacity to meet the starting current requirements of large motors etc.

### **5B.5.1 System of Supply**

**5B.5.1.1** All electrical apparatus shall be suitable for the voltage and frequency of supply.

**5B.5.1.2** In case of connected load of 100 kVA and above, the relative advantage of medium voltage three-phase supply should be considered. Though the use of high voltage supply entails the provisions of space for the capital cost of providing suitable transformer substation at the consumer's premises, the following advantages are gained:

- a) advantage in tariff;
- b) more effective earth fault protection;
- c) elimination of interference with supplies to other consumers permitting the use of large size motors, welding plant, etc; and
- d) better control of voltage regulation and more constant supply voltage.

NOTE — Additional safety precautions required to be observed in HV installations shall also be kept in view.

In many cases there may be no choice available to the consumer, as most of the licensees have formulated their policy of correlating the supply voltage with the connected load or the contract demand. Generally the supply is at 400/230 volts, 11 kV for loads up to 1 MVA and 33 kV or 66 kV for consumers of more than 1 MVA.

**5B.5.1.3** In very large industrial buildings where heavy electric demands occur at scattered locations, the economics of electrical distribution at high voltage from the main substation to other subsidiary transformer substations or to certain items of plant, such as large motors and furnaces, should be considered. The relative economy attainable by use of medium or high voltage distribution and high voltage plant is a matter for expert judgement and individual assessment in the light of experience by a professionally qualified electrical engineer.

### **5B.5.2 Substation Equipment and Accessories**

Substations require an approval by the Electrical Inspectorate. Such approval is mandatory before energizing the substation. It is desirable to get the approval for the general layout, schematic layout, protection plan etc, before the start of the work from the Inspectorate. All substation equipment and accessories and materials, etc, shall conform to relevant Standards wherever they exist, otherwise the consumer (or his consultant) has to specify the standards to which the equipment to be supplied confirms and that shall be approved by the authority. Manufacturers of equipment have to furnish certificate of conformity as well as type test certificates for record, in addition to specified test certificates for acceptance tests and installation related tests for earthing, earth continuity, load tests and tests for performance of protective gear.

#### **5B.5.2.1 High Voltage Switchgear**

**5B.5.2.1.1** The selection of the type of high voltage switchgear for any installation inter alia depends upon the following:

- a) voltage of the supply system;
- b) the prospective short-circuit current at the point of supply;
- c) the size and layout of electrical installation;
- d) the accommodation available; and
- e) the nature of industry.

Making and breaking capacity of switchgear shall be commensurate with short-circuit potentialities of the supply system and the supply authority shall be consulted on this subject.

**5B.5.2.1.2** Guidelines on various types of switchgear equipment and their choice for a particular application shall be in accordance with International Standard (IEC) practice.

**5B.5.2.1.3** In extensive installations of switchgear (having more than four incoming supply cables or having more than 12 circuit breakers), banks of switchgears shall be segregated from each other by means of fire resisting barriers having 2h fire resistance rating in order to prevent spreading of the risk of damage by fire or explosion arising from switch failure. Where a bus-bar section switch is installed, it shall also be segregated from adjoining banks in the same way [(5)IS1646]. Except main LT panel, it would be preferable to locate the sub panels/distribution boards near load centre. Further, it should be ensured that these panels are easily approachable. The preferable location of panels shall be near the exitways.

**5B.5.2.1.4** It should be possible to isolate any section from the rest of the switchboards such that work might be undertaken on this section without the necessity of making the switchboard dead. Isolating switches used for the interconnection of sections or for the purpose of isolating circuit-

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breakers of other apparatus, shall also be segregated within its compartment so that no live part is accessible when work in a neighbouring section is in progress.

**5B.5.2.1.5** In the case of duplicate or ring main supply, switchgears with interlocking arrangement shall be provided to prevent simultaneous switching of two different supply sources. Electrical and/or mechanical interlocks may preferably be provided.

**5B.5.2.2** *Cables*

**5B.5.2.2.1** The smallest size of the cable that shall be used, will depend upon the method of laying cable permissible maximum temperature it shall withstand, voltage drop over the length of the cable, the prospective short-circuit current to which the cable may be subjected, the characteristics of the overload protection gear installed, load cycle and thermal resistivity of the soil [(6) IS 732].

NOTE — Guidelines for correlation of the ratings of cables and characteristics of protective devices are under consideration. Continuous current carrying capacity (thermal limit leading to permanent change in properties of the insulation) under the installed conditions, voltage drop under required load and the fault current withstand ability of the cable for the duration that the protective device controlling the cable installation will let go the fault current, operating voltage are the prime considerations.

**5B.5.2.2.2** The advice of the cable manufacturer with regard to installation, jointing and sealing shall be followed.

**5B.5.2.2.3** The LV cables shall either be laid on the cable rack/built-up concrete trenches/tunnel/basement or directly buried in the ground depending upon the specific requirement. It is preferable to use four core cable in place of three and half core to minimize heating of neutral core due to harmonic content in the supply system and also avoidance of overload failures. All cables shall be installed in accordance with Standard practice [(6) IS 732].

**5B.5.2.2.4** *Colour identification of cores of non-flexible cables*

<i>Function</i>	<i>Colour Identification of Core of Rubber or PVC Insulated Non flexible Cable, or of Sleeve or Disc to be Applied to Conductor or Cable Code</i>
Protective or earthing	Green and yellow or Green with yellow stripes <sup>1)</sup>
Neutral of a.c. single or three phase circuit	Blue
Phase R of 3-phase a.c. circuit	Brown
Phase Y of 3-phase a.c. circuit	Black
Phase B of 3-phase a.c. circuit	Grey
Positive of d.c. 2-wire circuit	Brown
Negative of d.c. 2-wire circuit	Grey
Outer (positive or negative) of d.c. 2-wire circuit derived from 3-wire system	Brown/Grey
Positive of 3-wire system positive of 3-wire d.c. circuit)	Brown
Middle wire of 3-wire d.c. circuit	Blue
Negative of 3-wire d.c. circuit	Grey
Functional Earth-Telecommunication	Cream

<sup>1)</sup>Bare conductors are also used for earthing and earth continuity conductors. But it is preferable to use insulated

conductors with green insulation with yellow stripes.

**5B.5.2.2.5 Colour, identification of cores of flexible cables and flexible cords**

<i>Number of Cores</i>	<i>Function of Core</i>	<i>Colour(s) of Core</i>
1	Phase Neutral Protective or Earthing	Brown <sup>1)</sup> (Light) Blue Green & yellow
2	Phase Neutral	Brown (Light) Blue <sup>1)</sup>
3	Phase Neutral Protective or Earthing	Brown (Light) Blue <sup>1)</sup> Green & yellow
4 or 5	Phase Neutral Protective or Earthing	Brown, Black <sup>1)</sup> , Grey (Light) Blue <sup>1)</sup> Green & yellow

<sup>1)</sup> Certain alternative are allowed in Wiring Regulations.

**5B.5.2.3 High Voltage Bus bar Trunking/Ducting**

High voltage busbar trunking system is a type-tested switchgear and control gear assembly in the form of an enclosed system. HV busbar system is used for transporting power between HV Generators, transformers and the infeed main switchgear of the main HV switchgear.

Generally three types of bus ducts namely non-segregated, segregated and isolated phase bus duct shall be used. The non-segregated bus ducts consists of three phase busbars running in a common enclosure made of steel or aluminium. The enclosure shall provide safety for the operational personnel and reduces chances of faults. The enclosures shall be effectively grounded.

Segregated phase bus duct are similar to non-segregated phased duct except that metal or insulation barriers are provided between phase conductors to reduce chances of phase to phase faults. However, it is preferable to use metal barriers.

In the case of isolated bus ducts, each phase conductor shall be housed in a separate non-magnetic enclosures. The bus duct shall be made of sections which are assembled together at site to make complete assembly. The enclosure shall be of either round or square shape and welded construction. The enclosures of all phases in general to be supported on a common steel structure. Provision of fire protection shall be provided in all openings' [see Myanmar Fire Department Instruction]. Fire separation in openings shall be provided using materials having 2h fire resistance rating.

**5B.5.2.4 MV/LV Busbar Trunking/Rising Mains**

Where heavy loads are to be carried, busbar systems are preferred. The busbars are available for continuous run from point to point or with tap offs at standard intervals and have to be chosen as per specific requirement. MV/LV busbar trunking shall be a type-tested switchgear and control gear assembly in the form of an enclosed system. There are two types of MV/LV bus duct system for power distribution system:

- a) Conventional type.
- b) Compact and sandwich type.

Conventional type bus duct is used for large power handling between transformer and switchgear or between switchgear and large power loads, such as compressor drive motor etc. This type is generally used in plant rooms, riser shafts, substations etc.

Compact type is available either air insulated or sandwich type for use within areas of the building which are put to other higher (aesthetic) level of use. They could be used in false ceiling spaces or even in corridors and shafts for distribution without any false ceiling as they provide an aesthetically acceptable finish to merge with other building elements such as beams, ducts or pipes in functional buildings.

The class of protection shall be specific depending on the requirement at the place of installation. Protection class (IP xx) will automatically identify the ventilation, protection from weather, water, dust etc.

In modern building technology, high demands are made of the power distribution system and its individual components:

- a) Long life and good service quality,
- b) Safe protection in the event of fire,
- c) Low fire load,
- d) Low space requirement, and
- e) Minimum effort involved in carrying out retrofits.

The high load density in modern large buildings and high rise buildings demands compact and safe solution for the supply of power. The use of busbartrunking system is ideal for such applications.

Busbar trunking can be installed in vertical risers ducts or horizontally in passages for transmission and distribution of power. Busbar trunking systems allow electrical installations to be planned in a simple and clear fashion. In the building complexes, additional safety demands with respect to fire barriers and fire load and use of bus bar trunking meets this requirement.

Busbar trunking system reduces the combustible material near the area with high energy in comparison with other distribution systems such as cables and makes the building safe from the aspect of vulnerability to fire of electrical origin. In addition, unlike cable systems the reliability of a busbar trunking system is very high. These systems also require very little periodic maintenance.

Choice of busbar trunking for distribution in building scan be made on the basis of

- a) reduced fire load (drastically reduced in comparison to the cable system),
- b) reduced maintenance over its entire lifetime,
- c) longer service lifetime in comparison with a cable distribution
- d) enhanced reliability due to rigid bolted joints and terminations and extremely low possibility of insulation failure.

### **5B.5.2.5 Transformers**

**5B.5.2.5.1** General design objective while selecting the transformer(s) for a substation would be to provide at least two or more transformers, so that a certain amount of redundancy is built in, even if a standby system is provided. The total installed transformation capacity would be marginally higher than the anticipated maximum demand. With growing emphasis on energy conservation, the system design is made for both extremes of loading. During the periods of

lowest load in the system, it would be desirable to operate only one transformer and switch in additional transformers as the load variation takes place in a day. The minimum size of a transformer would quite often depend on the minimum load that is anticipated over a period of about 4h in a day. Total transformer capacity is generally selected on the basis of present load, possible future load, operation and maintenance cost and other system conditions and selection of the maximum size(capacity) of the transformer is guided by short-circuit making and breaking capacity of the switchgear used in the medium voltage distribution system. Maximum size limitation is important from the aspect of feed to a down stream fault.

For feeding final single phase domestic type of loads or general office loads it is advisable to even use transformers of capacity much lower than what the switchgear can handle, so that lower fault MVA is available in such areas and use of hand held equipment fed through flexible cords is safe.

For reasons of reliability and redundancy it is normal practice to provide at least two transformers for any important installation. Interlinking by tie lines is an alternative to enhance reliability /redundancy in areas where there are a number of substations in close vicinity, such as a campus with three or four multi-storied blocks each with a substation.

Ring main type of distribution is preferred for complexes having a number of substations.

**5B.5.2.5.2** Where two or more transformers are to be installed in a substation to supply a medium voltage distribution system, the distribution system shall be divided into separate sections each of which shall be normally fed from one transformer only unless the medium voltage switchgear has the requisite short circuit capacity. Provision may, however, be made to interconnect separate sections, through a bus coupler in the event of failure or disconnection of one transformer. See **5B.4.2** for details of location and requirements of substation.

The transformers, that may at any time operate in parallel, shall be so selected as to share the load in proportion to their respective load ratings. While the general practice is to avoid operation of transformers in parallel for feeding final distribution in buildings, it is possible to use transformers with slightly different impedance or voltage taps to operate in parallel, but with appropriate protection. Installations designed for parallel operation of transformers shall have protection for avoiding circulating current between transformers, avoid overload of any one transformer due to reactance mismatch and the system shall be so arranged as to trip the secondary breaker in case the primary breaker of that transformer trips.

#### **5B.5.2.6** *Switchgear*

**5B.5.2.6.1** Switchgear (and its protective device) shall have breaking capacity not less than the anticipated fault level in the system at that point. System fault level at a point in distribution system is predominantly dependent on the transformer size and its reactance. Parallel operation of transformers naturally increases the fault level.

**5B.5.2.6.2** Isolation and controlling circuit breaker shall be interlocked so that the isolator cannot be operated unless the corresponding breaker is in open condition. The choice between alternative types of equipment maybe influenced by the following considerations:

- a) In certain installations supplied with electric power from remote transformer substations, it may be necessary to protect main circuits with circuit-breakers operated by earth fault, in order to ensure effective earth fault protection.
- b) Where large electric motors, furnaces or other heavy electrical equipment is installed, the main circuits shall be protected from short circuit by switch disconnector fuse or circuit breakers. For motor protection, the combination of contactor overload device and fuse or circuit breakers shall be Type-2 coordinated in accordance with accepted standards[(7)IS

13947]. Wherever necessary, backup protection and earth fault protection shall be provided to the main circuit.

- c) Where mean of isolating main circuits is separately required, switch disconnector fuse or switch disconnector may form part of main switchboards.

**5B.5.2.6.3** It shall be mandatory to provide power factor improvement capacitor at the substation bus. Suitable capacitor may be selected in consultation with the capacitor as well as switchgear manufacture depending upon the nature of electrical load anticipated on the system. Necessary switchgear/feeder circuit breaker shall be provided for controlling of capacitor bank.

Power factor of individual motor may be improved by connecting individual capacitor banks in parallel. For higher range of motors, which are running continuously without much variation in load, individual power factor correction at load end is advisable.

NOTE — Care should be taken in deciding the kVA rating of the capacitor in relation to the magnetizing kVA of the motor. Over rating of the capacitor may cause injury to the motor and capacitor bank. The motor still rotating after disconnection from the supply, may act as generator by self-excitation and produce a voltage higher than supply voltage. If the motor is again switched on before the speed has fallen to about 80 percent of the normal running speed, the high voltage will be superimposed on the supply circuits and will damage both the motor and capacitor.

As a general rule, the kVAr rating of the capacitor should not exceed the no-load magnetizing kVA of the motor.

Generally it would be necessary to provide an automatic control for switching in capacitors matching the load power factor and the bus voltage. Such a scheme would be necessary as capacitors permanently switched in the circuit may cause over voltage at times of light load.

**5B.5.2.6.4** Sufficient additional space shall be allowed in substations and switch rooms to allow operation and maintenance and proper means shall be provided for isolating the equipment to allow access for servicing, testing and maintenance. Sufficient additional space shall be allowed for temporary location and installation of standard servicing and testing equipment. Space should also be allowed to provide for anticipated future extensions.

**5B.5.2.6.5** Electrical installations in a room or cubicle or in an area surrounded by wall fence, access to which is controlled by lock and key shall be considered accessible to authorized persons only.

A wall or fence less than 1.8 m in height shall not be considered as preventing access unless it has other features that provide a degree of isolation equivalent to a 1.8 m fence.

**5B.5.2.6.6** Harmonics on the supply systems are becoming a greater problem due to the increasing use of electronic equipments, computer, fluorescent, mercury vapour and sodium vapour lighting, controlled rectifier and inverters for variable speed drives, power electronics and other non-linear loads. Harmonics may lead to almost as much current in the neutral as in the phases. This current is almost entirely third harmonic. Phase rectification devices may be considered for the limits of harmonic voltage distortion may be considered at the planning stage in such cases.

With the wide spread use of thyristor and rectifier based loads there is necessity of providing a full size neutral; but this requirement is limited to the 3-phase 4-wire distribution generally in the 400/230V system. As a result it is not desirable to use half-size neutral conductor, as possibility of neutral conductor overload due to harmonics is likely.

### **5B.5.3 Reception and Distribution of Main Supply**

#### **5B.5.3.1 Control at Point of Commencement of Supply**

**5B.5.3.1.1** There shall be a circuit-breaker or miniature circuit-breakers or a load break switch fuse on each live conductor of the supply mains at the point of entry. The wiring throughout the installation shall be such that there is no switch or fuse unit in the earthed neutral of conductor. The neutral shall also be distinctly marked.

**5B.5.3.1.2** The main switch shall be easily accessible and situated as near as practicable to the termination of service line.

**5B.5.3.1.3** On the main switch, where the conductors include an earthed conductor of a two-wire system or an earthed neutral conductor or a multi-wire system or a conductor which is to be connected thereto, an indication of a permanent nature shall be provided to identify the earthed neutral conductor.

**5B.5.3.1.4** *Energy meters*

Energy meters shall be installed in residential buildings at such a place which is readily accessible to the owner of the building and the Authority. These should be installed at a height where it is convenient to note the meter reading, it should preferably not be installed below one metre from the ground. The energy meters should either be provided with a protecting covering, enclosing it completely except the glass window through which the readings are noted or should be mounted inside a completely enclosed panel provided with hinged or sliding doors with arrangement for locking.

In multi-storied buildings meters shall be installed with tapping point for meters of the rising main (bustrunking) on individual floors (Energy Meter Installed Location subject to the requirement of Electricity Supply Authority).

**5B.5.3.2** *Main Switches and Switchboard*

**5B.5.3.2.1** All main switches shall be either of metal-clad enclosed pattern or of any insulated enclosed pattern which shall be fixed at close proximity to the point of entry of supply. Every switch shall have an environmental protection level rating (IP), so that its operation is satisfactory in the environment of the installation.

NOTE — Woodwork shall not be used for the construction or mounting of switches and switch boards installed in' a building.

**5B.5.3.2.2** *Location*

- a) The location of the main board should be such that it is easily accessible for fireman and other personnel to quickly disconnect the supply in case of emergencies. If the room is locked for security, means of emergency access, by schemes such as break glass cupboard, shall be incorporated.
- b) Main switch board shall be installed in rooms or cupboards so as to safeguard against operation by unauthorized personnel.
- c) Switchboards shall be placed only in dry situations and in ventilated rooms and they shall not be placed in the vicinity of storage batteries or exposed to chemical fumes.
- d) In damp situation or where inflammable or explosive dust, vapour or gas is likely to be present, the switchboard shall be totally enclosed and shall have adequate degree of protection. In some cases flameproof enclosure may be necessitated by particular circumstances [(8) IS 2148].
- e) Switchboards shall not be erected above gas stoves or sinks, or within 2.5 m or any washing unit in the washing rooms or laundries, or in bathrooms, lavatories or toilets, or kitchens.

- f) In case of switchboards unavoidably fixed in places likely to be exposed to weather, to drip, or to abnormal moist temperature, the outer casing shall be weatherproof and shall be provided with glands or bushings or adopted to receive screwed conduit, according to the manner in which the cables are run.
- g) Adequate illumination shall be provided for all working spaces about the switchboards when installed indoors.

**5B.5.3.2.3** Metal-clad switchgear shall preferably be mounted on any of the following types of boards:

- a) *Hinged-type metal boards* — These shall consist of a box made of sheet metal not less than 2 mm thick and shall be provided with a hinged cover to enable the board to swing open for examination of the wiring at the back. The joints shall be welded. There shall be a clear distance of not less than 2.5 cm between the teak wood board and the cover, the distance being increased for larger boards in order that on closing of the cover, the insulation of the cables is not subjected to damage and no excessive twisting or bending in any case. The board shall be securely fixed to the wall by means of rag bolts, plugs, or wooden plugs and shall be provided with a locking arrangement and an earthing stud. All wires passing through the metal board shall be protected by a rubber or wooden bush at the entry hole. The earth stud should commensurate with the size of earth lead/leads. Alternatively, metal boards may be beamed of suitable size angle iron of minimum size 35 mm x 35 mm x 6 mm or channel iron of minimum size 35 mm x 25 mm x 6 mm frames work suitably mounted on front with a 3 mm thick mild steel plate and on back with 1.5 mm thick mild steel sheet. No apparatus shall project beyond any edge of panel. No fuse body shall be mounted within 2.5 cm of any edge of the panel.

NOTE — Such type of boards are particularly suitable for small switchboard for mounting metal-clad switchgear connected to supply at low voltages.

- b) *Fixed-type metal boards* — These shall consist of an angle or channel iron frame fixed on the wall or on floor and supported on the wall at the top, if necessary. There shall be a clear distance of 1 m in front of the switchboards. If there are any attachments of bare connections at the back of the switchboard *Myanmar Electricity Rules* shall apply. The connections between the switchgear mounting and the outgoing cable up to the wall shall be enclosed in a protection pipe.

NOTE — Such type of boards are particularly suitable for large switchboards for mounting large number of switchgears or high capacity metal-clad switchgear or both.

- c) *Protected-type switchboard* — A protected switchboard is one where all of the conductors are protected by metal or other enclosures. They may consist of a metal cubicle panel, or an iron frame upon which is mounted metal clad switchgear. They usually consist of a main switch, busbars and circuit breakers or fuses controlling outgoing circuits.
- d) *Open-type switchboard* — An open type switchboard is one, which has exposed current carrying parts on the front of the switchboard. This type of switchboard is rarely used nowadays but where this exists, a hand rail or barrier has to be provided to prevent unintentional or accidental contact with exposed live parts. They must be located in a special switch room or enclosure and only a competent person may have access to these switchboards.

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NOTE — Theseboards may be existing in old installations. It is recommended that they be phased out. With the continuously increasing fault power feed due to increases in generation and strengthening of distribution systems, these open boards are a source of accidents.

### **5B.5.3.2.4** *Recessing of boards*

Where so specified, the switchboards shall be recessed in the wall. Ample room shall be provided at the back for connection and at the front between the switchgear mountings.

### **5B.5.3.2.5** *Marking of apparatus*[see (9) IS 5578]

- a) Where a board is connected to voltage higher than 250 V, all the apparatus mounted on it shall be marked on the following colors to indicate the different poles or phases to which the apparatus or its different terminals may have been connected:

*Alternating Current*

Three-phases — Brown, Black, Grey

1 Neutral — Blue

*Direct Current*

Three-wire system— 2 outer wire,  
positive Brown and negative Grey

1 Neutral — Blue

- b) Where four-wire three-phase wiring is done, the neutral shall be in one colour and the other threewires in another colour as mentioned above or shall be suitably tagged or sleeved for full proof identification.
- c) Where a board has more than one switch, each such switch shall be marked to indicate which section of the installation it controls. The main switch shall be marked as such and where there is more than one main switch in the building, each such switch shall be marked to indicate which section of the installation it controls.

All markings shall be clear and permanent.

### **5B.5.3.2.6** *Drawings*

Before proceeding with the actual construction, a proper drawing showing the detailed dimensions and design including the disposition of the mountings of the boards, which shall be symmetrically and neatly arranged for arriving at the overall dimensions, shall be prepared along the building drawing. Such drawings will show the mandatory clearance spaces if any, and clear height below the soffit of the beam required to satisfy regulations and safety considerations, so that other designers or installers do not get into such areas or spaces for their equipment.

**5B.5.3.2.7** Where a board has more than one switch, each such switch shall be marked to indicate which section of the installation it controls. The main switch shall be marked as such and where there is more than one main switch in the building, each such switch shall be marked to indicate which section of the installation it controls.

All markings shall be clear and permanent.

### **5B.5.3.2.8** *MV/LV Bus bar chambers (400 V/230 V)*

Busbar chambers, which feed two or more circuits, must be controlled by a main disconnector (TP &N), or Isolating links or TPN MCB to enable them to be disconnected from the supply.

### **5B.5.3.3** *Distribution Boards*

A distribution board comprises of one or more protective devices against over current and ensuring the distribution of electrical energy to the circuits. Distribution board shall provide

plenty of wiring space, to allow working as well as to allow keeping the extra length of connecting cables, likely to be required for maintenance.

**5B.5.3.1** Main distribution board shall be provided with a circuit breaker on each pole of each circuit, or a switch with a fuse on the phase or live conductor and a link on the neutral or earthed conductor of each circuit. The switches shall always be linked.

All incomers should be provided with surge protection devices.

#### **5B.5.3.4** *Branch Distribution Boards*

**5B.5.3.4.1** Branch distribution boards shall be provided, along with earth leakage protective device (ELCB)(incoming), with a fuse or a miniature circuit breaker or both of adequate rating/setting chosen on the live conductor of each sub-circuit and the earthed neutral conductor shall be connected to a common link and be capable of being disconnected individually for testing purposes. At least one spare circuit of the same capacity shall be provided on each branch distribution board. Further, the individual branching circuits (outgoing) shall be protected against over-current with miniature circuit breaker of adequate rating. In residential/industrial lighting installations, the various circuits shall be separated and each circuit shall be individually protected so that in the event of fault, only the particular circuit gets disconnected.

**5B.5.3.4.2** Circuits shall be separate for installations at higher level such as those in the ceiling and at higher levels, above 1 m, on the walls and for installations at lower level such as sockets for portable or stationery plug in equipments. For devices consuming high power and which are to be supplied through supply cord and plug, separate wiring shall be done. For plug-in equipment provisions shall be made for providing ELCB protection in the distribution board.

**5B.5.3.4.3** It is preferable to have additional circuit for kitchen and bathrooms. Such sub-circuit shall not have more than a total of ten points of light and fans. The load of such circuit shall be restricted to 800 W. If a separate fan circuit is provided, the number of fans in the circuit shall not exceed ten. Power sub-circuit shall be designed according to the load but in no shall there be more than two 16A outlets on each sub-circuit.

**5B.5.3.4.4** The circuits for lighting of common area shall be separate. For large halls 3-wire control with individual control and master control installed near the entrance shall be provided for effective conservation of energy.

**5B.5.3.4.5** Where daylight would be available, particularly in large halls, lighting in the area near the windows, likely to receive daylight shall have separate controls for lights, so that they can be switched off selectively when daylight is adequate, while keeping the lights in the areas remote from the windows on.

**5B.5.3.4.6** Circuits for socket outlets may be kept separate circuits feeding fans and lights. Normally, fans and lights may be wired on a common circuit. In large spaces circuits for fans and lights may also be segregated. Lights may have group control in large halls and industrial areas. While providing group control consideration may be given for the nature of use of the area lit by a group. Consideration has to be given for the daylight utilization, while grouping, so that a group feeding areas receiving daylight can be selectively switched off during daylight period.

**5B.5.3.4.7** The load on any low voltage sub-circuit shall not exceed 3000 W. In case of a new installation, all circuits and sub-circuits shall be designed with an initial load of about 2 500 W, so as to allow a provision of 20percent increase in load due to any future modification. Power sub-circuits shall be designed according to the load, where the circuit is meant for a specific equipment. Good practice is to limit a circuit to a maximum of four sockets, where it is expected that there will be diversity due to use of very few sockets in large spaces (example sockets for use

of vacuum cleaner). General practice is to limit it to two sockets in a circuit, in both residential and non-residential buildings and to provide a single socket on a circuit for a known heavy load appliance such as air conditioner, cooking range etc.

**5B.5.3.4.8** In wiring installations at special places like construction sites, stadium, shipyards, open yards in industrial plants, etc, where a large number of high wattage lamp may be required, there shall be no restriction of load on any circuit but conductors used in such circuits shall be of adequate size for the load and proper circuit protection shall be provided.

**5B.5.3.5** *Location of Distribution Boards*

- a) The distribution boards shall be located as near as possible to the centre of the load they are intended to control.
- b) These shall be fixed on suitable stranchion or wall and shall be accessible for replacement/reset of protective devices, and shall not be more than 1.8 m from floor level.
- c) These shall be of either metal-clad type, or air insulated type. But, if exposed to weather or damp situations, these shall be of the weatherproof type and, if installed where exposed to explosive dust, vapour or gas, these shall be of flameproof type in accordance with accepted Standards[(10) IS1777]. In corrosive atmospheres, these shall be treated with anti-corrosive preservative or covered with suitable plastic compound.
- d) Where two and/or more distribution boards feeding low voltage circuits are fed from a supply of medium voltage, the metal case shall be marked 'Danger 400 V' and identified with proper phase marking and danger marks.
- e) Each shall be provided with a circuit list giving diagram of each circuit which it controls and the current rating of the circuit and size of fuse element.
- f) In wiring branch distribution board, total load of consuming devices shall be divided as far as possible evenly between the number of ways in the board leaving spare circuits for future extension.

**5B.5.3.6** *Protection of Circuits*

- a) Appropriate protection shall be provided at switchboards, distribution boards and at all levels of panels for all circuits and sub-circuits against short circuit, over-current and other parameters as required. The protective device shall be capable of interrupting maximum prospective short circuit current that may occur, without danger. The ratings and settings of fuses and the protective devices (ACB, MCCB, MCB) shall be co-ordinate so as to afford selectivity in operation and in accordance with accepted standards [(1) IS 8270].
- b) Where circuit-breakers are used for protection of a main circuit and of the sub-circuits derived there from, discrimination in operation may be achieved by adjusting the protective devices of the sub-main circuit-breakers to operate at lower current settings and shorter time-lag than the main circuit-breaker.
- c) Where HRC type fuses are used for back-up protection of circuit-breakers, or where HRC fuses are used for protection of main circuits, and circuit-breakers for the protection of sub-circuits derived there from, in the event of short-circuits protection exceeding the short circuits capacity of the circuit-breakers, the HRC fuses shall operate earlier than the circuit-breakers; but for smaller overloads within the short-circuit capacity of the circuit breakers, the circuit-breakers shall operate earlier than the HRC fuse blows.
- d) If rewirable type fuses are used to protect sub-circuits derived from a main circuit protected by HRC type fuses, the main circuit fuse shall normally blow in the event of a

short-circuit or earth fault occurring on sub-circuit, although discrimination may be achieved in respect of overload currents. The use of rewirable fuses is restricted to the circuits with short-circuit level of 4 kA; for higher level either cartridge or HRC fuses shall be used. However, use of rewirable fuses not desirable, even for lower fault level areas. MCB's provide a better and dependable protection, as their current setting is not temperable.

- e) A fuse carrier shall not be fitted with a fuse element larger than that for which the carrier is designed.
- f) The current rating of a fuse shall not exceed the current rating of the smallest cable in the circuit protected by the fuse.
- g) Every fuse shall have its own case or cover for the protection of the circuit and an indelible indication of its appropriate current rating in an adjacent conspicuous position.

#### **5B.5.4 Voltage and Frequency of Supply**

It should be ensured that all equipment connected to the system including any appliances to be used on it are suitable for the voltage and frequency of supply of the system. The nominal values of low and medium voltage systems in Myanmar are 230 V and 400 V ac, respectively, and the frequency 50 Hz.

#### **5B.5.5 Rating of Cables and Equipments**

**5B.5.5.1** The current-carrying capacity of different types of cables shall be chosen in accordance with Standard practice [(12) IS 3961].

**5B.5.5.2** The current ratings of switches for domestic and similar purposes are 6A and 16A.

**5B.5.5.3** The current ratings of isolators and normal duty switches and composite units of switches and fuses shall be selected from one of the following values:

16, 25, 32, 63, 100, 160, 200, 320, 400, 500, 630, 800, 1 000 and 1 250 A etc. up to applicable limit.

**5B.5.5.4** The ratings of rewirable and HRC fuses shall be in accordance with Standard practice [(13) IS 2086].

**5B.5.5.5** The current ratings of miniature circuit-breakers shall be chosen from the values given below:

6, 8, 10, 13, 16, 20, 25, 32, 40, 50, 63, 80, 100 and 125 A.

**5B.5.5.6** The current ratings of moulded-case circuit breakers shall be chosen from the values given below:

100, 125, 160, 200, 250, 315, 400, 630, 800, 1 000, 1250, 1600A and applicable range as practically possible.

**5B.5.5.7** The current ratings of air circuit-breakers shall, be chosen from the values given below:

630, 800, 1000, 1250, 1600, 2000, 2500, 3200, 4000 A and applicable range as practically possible.

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The design of the wiring system and the sizes of the cables should be decided taking into account two factors.

- a) *Voltage Drop*— This should be kept as low as economy permits to ensure proper functioning of all electrical appliances and equipment including motors; and

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b) First cost against operating losses.

**5B.5.5.8** The current ratings of the distribution fuse board shall be selected from one of the following values:

6,16,25,63 and 100A

**5B.5.6 Installation Circuits**

<i>Type of Circuit</i>	<i>Wire Size (Minimum)</i>	<i>Number of Circuits</i>
Lighting	1.0 mm <sup>2</sup>	2 or more
Socket-outlets 10 A	2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	Areas such as kitchens and laundries 3x double socket outlets per circuit. Other areas up to 6 double socket outlets
Socket-outlets 15 or 20 A	2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	1
Water heater 3 kW	2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	1
Water heater 3-6 kW	4.0 mm <sup>2</sup>	1
Free standing electric range	6.0 mm <sup>2</sup>	1
Separate oven and/ or cook top	4.0 mm <sup>2</sup>	1
Permanently connected appliances including dish-washers, heaters, etc	2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	1 above 10 A. Up to 10 A can be wired as part of a socket-outlet circuit
Sub mains to garage or out-building	2.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	1 for each
Mains cable	16 mm <sup>2</sup>	1

**5B.5.6.1 Selecting and Installing Cables**

**5B.5.6.1.1 Cable insulation types**

For installation wiring	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) cables
For main earth or main equipotential wire	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) insulated conduit wire
Underground installation and installation in cable trench, feeders between buildings etc.,	PVC insulated, PVC sheathed armoured cables or XLPE insulated, PVC sheathed cables armoured cables
Installation in plant rooms, switch rooms etc, on cable tray or ladder or protected trench, where risk of mechanical damage to cable does not exist.	PVC insulated, PVC sheathed or XLPE insulated, PVC sheathed unarmoured cable

For the purposes of this Code cables above 1mm<sup>2</sup> must have stranded conductors. All cables when installed, must be adequately protected against mechanical damage. This can be carried out by either having additional protection, such as being enclosed in PVC conduit or metal pipes, or placing the cables in a suitable location that requires no additional protection. The cables for wiring circuits in electrical installation must have the appropriate wire size matching the requirement of the loads and the following table gives the recommendations for different types of loads.

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**5B.5.6.1.2 Circuit wire sizes**

<i>Circuits</i>	<i>Minimum Wire Size</i>	<i>Wire Colour</i>
1-way lighting	2 + E cable wires 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/Yellow
2-way lighting control (straps between the 2 switches)	3-wire cable 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>	Brown –Brown- Blue
Storage water heaters up to 3 kW	2+E cable 1.5mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/Yellow
Storage water heaters between 3 kW and 6 kW	2 + E cable 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/Yellow
Socket-outlets and permanent and permanent connection units	2 + E cable 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors )	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/Yellow
Submains to garages or outbuildings	2 + E cable 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/ Yellow
Cooking hobs	2 + E cable 4 mm <sup>2</sup>	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/Yellow
Separate ovens	2 + E cable 4 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	
Electric range	2 + E cable 6 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	Brown-Blue-Green or Green/Yellow
Mains	2 wire cable 16 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	Brown-Blue
Main equipotential bonding wire	Conduit wire 4 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors)	Green or Green/Yellow
Main earth wire	Conduit wire 6 mm <sup>2</sup> (stranded conductors) 2 + E is also known as twin and earth	Green or Green/Yellow

Switch or isolator controlling a water heater or geyser should not be located within 1m from the location of a shower or bath tub, to avoid a person in wet condition reaching the switch or isolator. It is preferable to provide the control switch outside the bathroom near the entrance and provide an indication at the water heater. A socket or a connector block with suitable protection against water spray should be provided to connect the water heater. The above considerations apply to switches for outdoor lights and other appliances, with the object of avoidance of operation of a switch when a person is wet. Sockets in kitchen, bathroom, toilet, garage etc, should not be provided within a height of 1 m from the ground level. Similar care has to be taken for installations involving fountains, swimming pools etc. Light fittings in such areas should be fed at low voltage, preferably through an isolating transformer with a proper earth leakage protection.

**5B.5.6.2 Requirements for Physical Protection of Underground Cables**

<i>Protective Element</i>	<i>Specifications</i>
Bricks	a) 100mm minimum width b) 25 mm thick

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	c) sand cushioning 100 mm and sand cover 100 mm.
Concrete slabs	at least 50 mm thick.
Plastic slabs(polymeric cover strips ) Fiber reinforced plastic	at least 10 mm thick, depending on properties and has to be matched with the protective cushioning and cover.
PVC conduit or PVC pipe or stoneware pipe or hume pipe	The pipe diameter should be such so that the cable is able to easily slip down the pipe
Galvanized pipe	The pipe diameter should be such so that the cable is able to easily slip down the pipe.

The trench shall be backfilled to cover the cable initially by 200 mm of fill; and then a plastic marker strip over the full length of cable in the trench. Fill the trench shall be laid before filling the full trench. The marker signs where any cable enters or leaves a building shall be put. This will identify that there is a cable located underground near the building. If the cables rise above ground to enter a building or other structure, a mechanical protection such as a GI pipe or PVC pipe for the cable from the trench depth to a height of 2.0 m above ground shall be provided.

### **5B.5.7 Lighting and Levels of Illumination**

#### **5B.5.7.1 General**

Lighting installation shall take into consideration the many factors on which the quality and quantity of artificial lighting depends. The modern concept is to provide illumination with the help of a large number of light sources not of higher illumination level. Also much higher levels of illumination are called for, than in the past, often necessitating the use of fluorescent lighting suitably supplemented with incandescent fittings, where required (PART 5A, Building Services (Lighting)).

#### **5B.5.7.2 Future Demand**

However, if for financial reasons, it is not possible to provide a lighting installation to give the recommended illumination levels, the wiring installation at least should be so designed that at a later date, it will permit the provision for additional lighting fittings or conversion from incandescent to fluorescent lighting fittings or high efficient LED light to bring the installation to the required standard. It is essential that adequate provisions should be made for all the electrical services which may be required immediately and during the intended useful life of the building.

#### **5B.5.7.3 Principles of Lighting**

When considering the function of artificial lighting, attention shall be given to the following principle characteristics before designing an installation:

- a) illumination and its uniformity;
- b) special distribution of light. This includes a reference to the composition of diffused and directional light, direction of incidence, the distribution of luminances and the degree of glare; and
- c) colour temperature of the light and colour rendition.

**5B.5.7.4** The variety of purposes which have to be kept in mind while planning the lighting installation could be broadly grouped as:

- a) industrial buildings and processes;
- b) offices, schools and public buildings;
- c) surgeries and hospitals; and

d) hostels, restaurants, shops and residential buildings.

**5B.5.7.4.1** It is important that appropriate levels of illumination for these and the types and positions of fittings determined to suit the task and the disposition of the working planes.

**5B.5.7.5** For specific requirements for lighting of special occupancies, reference shall be made to Standard practice [(14) IS 2672].

**5B.5.7.6** *Energy Conservation*

Energy conservation may be achieved by using the following:

- a) Energy efficient lamps, chokes, ballast, etc for lighting equipment.
- b) Efficient switching systems such as remote sensors, infrared switches, master switches, remote switches, etc for switching ON and OFF of lighting circuits.
- c) Properly made/connected joints/contacts to avoid loose joints leading to loss of power.

**5B.5.8** In locations where the system voltage exceeds 650V, as in the case of industrial locations, for details of design and construction of wiring installation, reference may be made to Standard practice [(15) IS 732].

**5B.5.9 Guideline for Electrical Layout in Residential Buildings**

For guidelines for electrical installation in residential buildings, reference may be made to Standard practice [(16) IS 4648].

A typical distribution scheme in a residential building with separate circuits for lights and fans and for power appliances is given in Figure 1.

**5B.5.10** For detailed information regarding the installation of different electrical equipments, reference may be made to Standard Practice [(17) IS 900].

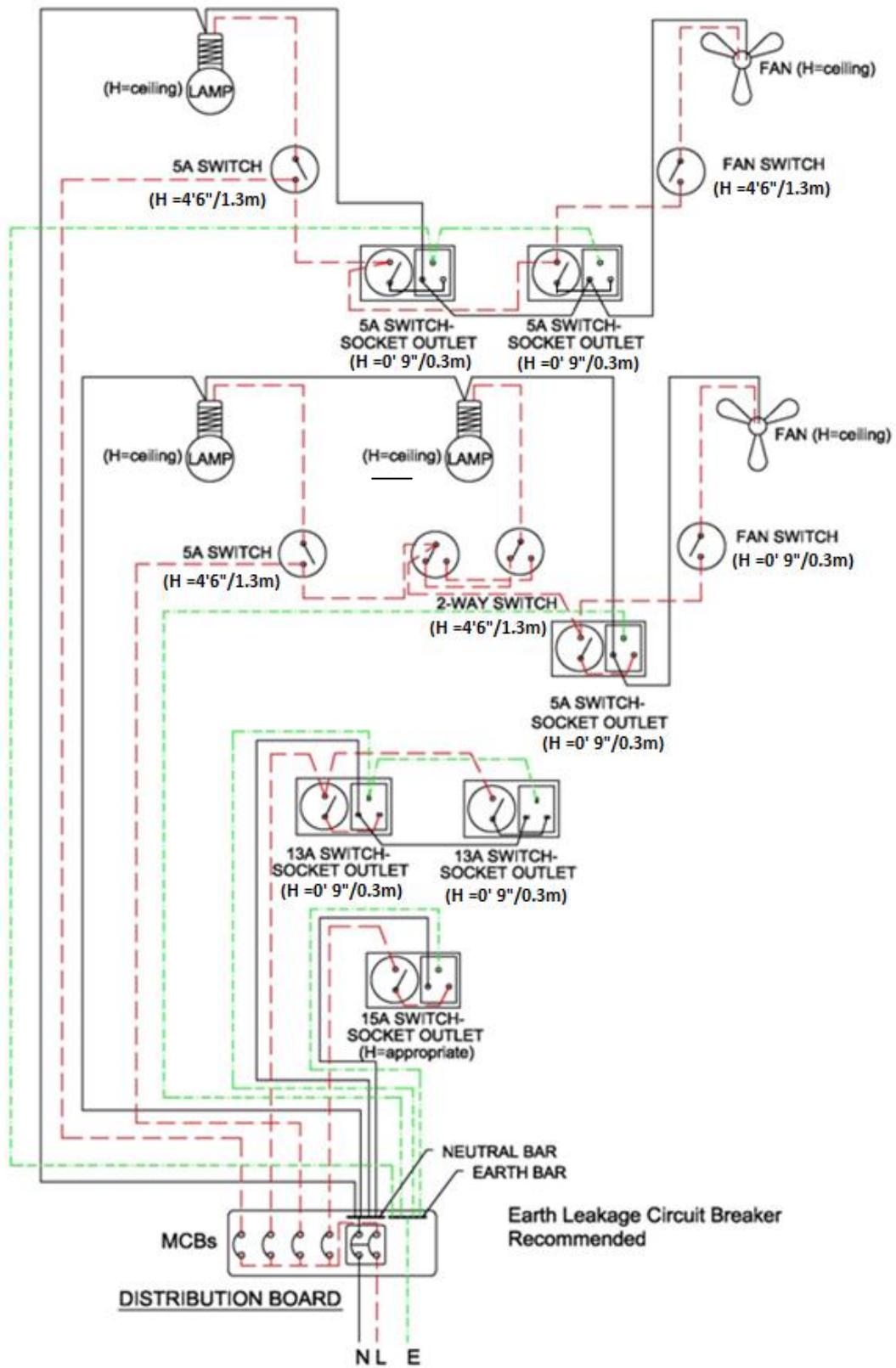


Figure 1: Wiring Diagram for a Typical Distribution Board Scheme in a Residential Building Flat

**5B.6 WIRING**

**5B.6.1 Provision for Maximum Load**

All conductors, switches and accessories shall be of such size as to be capable of carrying, without their respective ratings being exceeded, the maximum current which will normally flow through them.

**5B.6.1.1 Estimation of Load Requirements**

In estimating the current to be carried by any conductor the following ratings shall be taken, unless the actual values are known or specified for these elements:

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<i>Element</i>	<i>Rating (in W)</i>
Incandescent lamps	60
Ceiling fans	} 100
Table fans	
Ordinary socket outlet points	100
Fluorescent tubes:	
Length: 600 mm	25
1 200mm	50
1 500 mm	90
Power socket-outlet	1 000
Air-conditioner	2 500

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**5B.6.1.2** Electrical installation in a new building shall normally begin immediately on the completion of the main structural building work and before finishing work such as plastering has begun except in the case of surface wiring which can be carried out after the plaster work. Usually, no installation work should start until the building is reasonably weatherproof, but where electric wiring is to be concealed within the structures as may be the case with a reinforced concrete building, the necessary conduits and ducts shall be positioned firmly by tying the conduit to the reinforcement before concreting. When shutters are removed after concreting, the conduits ends shall be given suitable anti-corrosive treatment and holes blocked off by putties or caps to protect conduits from getting blocked. All conduit openings and junction box openings, etc shall be properly protected against entry of mortar, concrete, etc during construction.

**5B.6.2 Selection of Size of Conductors**

The size of conductors of circuits shall be so selected that the drop in voltage from consumer's terminals in a public supply (or from the busbars of the main switchboard controlling the various circuits in a private generation plant) to any point on the installation does not exceed four percent of the voltage at the consumer's terminals (or at two busbars as these maybe) when the conductors are carrying the maximum current under the normal conditions of service.

**5B.6.2.1** If the cable size is increased to avoid voltage drop in the circuit, the rating of the cable shall be the current which the circuit is designed to carry. In each circuit or sub-circuit the fuse shall be selected to match the cable rating to ensure the desired protection.

### **5B.6.3 Branch Switches**

Where the supply is derived from a three-wire or four wire source, and distribution is done on the two-wire system, all branch switches shall be placed in the outer or live conductor of the circuit and no single phase switch or protective device shall be inserted in the middle wire, earth or earthed neutral conductor of the circuit. Single-pole switches (other than for multiple control) carrying not more than 16 A may be of tumbler type or flush type which shall be on when the handle or knob is down.

### **5B.6.4 Layout and Installation Drawing**

**5B.6.4.1** The electrical layout should be drawn indicating properly the locations of all outlets for lamps, fans, appliances both fixed and transportable, motors, etc, and best suit for wiring.

**5B.6.4.2** All runs of wiring and the exact positions of all points of switch-boxes and other outlets shall be first marked on the plans of the building and approved by the engineer-in-charge or the owner before actual commencement of the work.

**5B.6.4.3** Industrial layout drawings should indicate the relative civil and mechanical details.

#### **5B.6.4.4** *Layout of Wiring*

The layout of wiring should be designed keeping in view disposition of the lighting system to meet the illumination levels. All wirings shall be done on the distribution system with main and branch distribution boards at convenient physical and electrical load centres. All types of wiring, whether concealed or unconcealed should be as near the ceiling as possible. In all types of wirings due consideration shall be given for neatness and good appearance.

**5B.6.4.5** Balancing of circuits in three-wire or poly-phase installation shall be arranged beforehand. Proper Balancing can be done only under actual load conditions. Conductors shall be so enclosed in earthed metal or incombustible insulating material that it is not possible to have ready access to them. Means of access shall be marked to indicate the voltage present.

Where terminals or other fixed live parts between which a voltage exceeding 250 V exists are housed in separate enclosures or items of apparatus which, although separated are within reach of each other, a notice shall be placed in such a position that anyone gaining access to live parts is warned of the magnitude of the voltage that exists between them.

Where loads are single phase, balancing should be for the peak load condition based on equipment usage. Facility for change should be built into the distribution design.

NOTE — The above requirements apply equally to three-phase circuits in which the voltage between lines or to earth exceeds 250 V and to groups of two or more single-phase circuits, between which medium voltage may be present, derived therefrom. They apply also to 3-wire dc or 3-wire single-phase ac circuits in which the voltage between lines or to earth exceeds 250 V and to groups of 2-wire circuits, between which medium voltage may be present, derived therefrom.

**5B.6.4.6** Medium voltage wiring and associated apparatus shall comply, in all respects, with the requirements of Myanmar Electricity Rules.

### **5B.6.5 Conductors and Accessories**

#### **5B.6.5.1** *Conductors*

Conductors for all the internal wiring shall be of copper. Conductors for power and lighting circuits shall be of adequate size to carry the designed circuit load without exceeding the permissible thermal limits for the insulation. The conductor for final sub-circuit for fan and light wiring shall have a nominal cross sectional area not less than 1.50 mm<sup>2</sup> copper. The cross-

sectional area of conductor for power wiring shall be not less than 4.0 mm<sup>2</sup> copper. The minimum cross sectional area of conductor of flexible cord shall be 1.50 mm<sup>2</sup> copper.

In existing buildings where aluminium wiring has been used for internal electrification, changeover from aluminium conductor to copper conductor may be made once the former goes beyond economical repairs.

NOTE — It is advisable to replace wiring, which is more than 30 years old as the insulation also would have deteriorated, and will be in a state to cause failure on the slightest of mechanical or electrical disturbance.

#### **5B.6.5.2** *Flexible Cables and Flexible Cords*

Flexible cables and cords shall be of copper and stranded and protected by flexible conduits or tough rubber or PVC sheath to prevent mechanical damage.

#### **5B.6.5.3** *Cable Ends*

When a stranded conductor having a nominal sectional area less than 6 mm<sup>2</sup> is not provided with cable sockets, all strands at the exposed ends of the cable shall be soldered together or crimped using suitable sleeve or ferrules

#### **5B.6.5.4** *Special Risk*

Special forms of construction, such as flameproof enclosures, shall be adopted where there is risk of the fire or explosion

#### **5B.6.5.5** *Connection to Ancillary Buildings*

Unless otherwise specified, electric connections to ancillary buildings, such as out-houses, garages, etc, adjacent to the main building and when no roadway intervenes shall be taken in an earthed GI pipe or heavy-duty PVC or HDPE pipe of suitable size in the exposed portion at a height of not less than 5.8 m or by buried underground cables. This applies to both runs of mains or sub-mains or final sub-circuit wiring between the buildings.

#### **5B.6.5.6** *Expansion Joints*

Distribution boards shall be so located that the conduits shall not normally be required to cross expansion joints in a building. Where such crossing is found to be unavoidable, special care shall be taken to ensure that the conduit runs and wiring are not in any way put to strain or damaged due to expansion of building structure. Any one of the standard methods of connection at a structural expansion joint shall be followed:

- a) Flexible conduit shall be inserted at place of expansion joint.
- b) Oversized conduit overlapping the conduit.
- c) Expansion box.

#### **5B.6.5.7** *Low Voltage (Types of Wires/Cables)*

Low voltage services utilize various categories of cables/wires, such as Fibre optic cable, co-axial, etc. These shall be laid at least minimum specified distance of 300 mm from any power wire or cable. Special care shall be taken to ensure that the conduit runs and wiring are laid properly for low voltage signal to flow through it.

#### **5B.6.6** **Joints and Looping Back**

**5B.6.6.1** Where looping back system of wiring is specified, the wiring shall be done without any junction or connector boxes on the line. Where joint box system is specified, all joints in conductors shall be made by means of suitable mechanical connectors in suitable joint boxes.

Wherever practicable, looping back system should be preferred. Whenever practicable, only one system shall be adopted for a building, preferably a looping back system.

**5B.6.6.2** In any system of wiring, no bare or twist joints shall be made at intermediate points in the through run of cables unless the length of a final sub-circuit, sub-main or main or more than the length of the standard coil as given by the manufacturer of the cable. If any jointing becomes unavoidable such joint shall be made through proper cutouts or through proper junction boxes open to easy inspection, but in looping back system no such junction boxes shall be allowed.

**5B.6.6.3** Joints are a source of problems in reliability and are also vulnerable to fire. They should be avoided or at least minimized. Where joints in cable conductors or bare conductors are necessary, they shall be mechanically and electrically sound. Joints in non-flexible cables shall be accessible for inspection; provided that this requirement shall not apply to joints in cables buried underground, or joints buried or enclosed in non-combustible building materials. Joints in non-flexible cables shall be made by soldering, brazing, welding or mechanical clamps, or be of the compression type; provided that mechanical clamps shall not be used for inaccessible joints buried or enclosed in the building structure. All mechanical clamps and compression type sockets shall securely retain all the wires of the conductors. Any joint in a flexible cable of flexible cord shall be effected by means of a cable coupler.

For flexible cables for small loads less than 1 kW, while it would be desirable to avoid joints, if unavoidable, joints can be made either by splicing by a recognized method or by using a connector and protecting the joint by suitable insulating tape or sleeve or straight joint. For application of flexible cable for loads of 1 kW or more, if joint is unavoidable, crimped joint would be preferred. Spliced joint should not be used for large loads.

There are different standard joints such as epoxy resin based joint, heat shrinkable plastic sleeve joint etc, and each one has its advantage and disadvantage. Selection has to be made on the basis of application, site conditions and availability of skilled licensed workmen.

**5B.6.6.4** Every joint in a cable shall be provided with insulation not less effective than that of the cable cores and shall be protected against moisture and mechanical damage. Soldering fluxes which remain acidic or corrosive at the completion of the soldering operation shall not be used.

For joints in paper-insulated metal-sheathed cables, a wiped metal sleeve or joint box, filled with insulating compound, shall be provided.

Where an aluminium conductor and a copper conductor are joined together, precautions shall be taken against corrosion and mechanical damage to the conductors.

#### **5B.6.6.5** *Pull at Joints and Terminals*

Every connection at a cable termination shall be made by means of a terminal, soldering socket, or compression type socket and shall securely contain and anchor all the wires of the conductor, and shall not impose any appreciable mechanical strain on the terminal or socket.

Flexible cords shall be so connected to devices and to fittings that tension will not be transmitted to joints or terminal screws. This shall be accomplished by a knot in the cord, by winding with tape, by a special fitting designed for that purpose, or by other approved means which will prevent a pull on the cord from being directly transmitted to joints or terminal screws.

#### **5B.6.7** **Passing Through Walls and Floors**

**5B.6.7.1** Where conductors pass through walls, one of the following methods shall be employed. Care shall be taken to see that wires pass freely through protective pipe or box and that the wires pass through in a straight-line without any twist or cross in wires on either ends of such holes:

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- a) The conductor shall be carried either in a rigid steel conduit or a rigid non-metallic conduit conforming to accepted standards [(19) IS 2667].
- b) *Conduit colour coding*

The conduits shall be colourcoded as per the purpose of wire carried in the same. The colour coding may be in form of bands of colour (4 inch thick, with centre-to-centre distance of 12 inches) or coloured throughout in the colour. The colour scheme shall be as follows:

<i>Conduit Type</i>	<i>Colour Scheme</i>
Power conduit	Black
Security conduit	Blue
Fire alarm conduit	Red
Low voltage conduit	Brown
UPS conduit	Green

- c) *Cable trunking/cable ways*

For the smaller cables, enclosures such as conduit and trunking, may be employed and PVC-insulated, with or without sheath, single core cables installed following completion of the conduit/trunking system. As these cables are usually installed in relatively large groups, care must be taken to avoid overheating and to provide identification of the different circuits.

- d) *Tray and ladder rack*

As tray provides continuous support, unless mounted on edge or in vertical runs (when adequate strapping or clipping is essential), the mechanical strength of supported cable is not as important as with ladder-racking or structural support methods. Consequently, tray is eminently suitable for the smaller unarmoured cabling while racks and structural support, except for short lengths, call for armoured cables as they provide the necessary strength to avoid sagging between supports. Both tray and ladder racks can be provided with accessories to facilitate changes of route, and as PVC and similar insulating materials are non-migratory (unlike the older types of impregnated cables) they provide no difficulty in this respect on vertical runs,

Insulated conductors while passing through floors shall be protected from mechanical injury by means of rigid steel conduit, non-metal conduit or mechanical protection to a height not less than 1.5 m above the floors and flush with the ceiling below. This steel conduit shall be earthed and securely bushed. Power outlets and wiring in the floor shall be generally avoided. If not avoidable, use false floor or floor trunking. False floor shall be provided where density of equipment and interconnection between different pieces of equipment is high. Examples are: Mainframe Computer station, Telecommunication switch rooms, etc.

Floor trunking shall be used in large halls, convention centres, open plan offices, laboratory, etc.

In case of floor trunking drain points shall be provided, as there could be possibility of water seepage in the case of wiring passing through the floors. Proper care should be taken for suitable means of draining of water. Possibility of water entry exists from: (1) floor washing, (2) condensation in some particular weather and indoor temperature conditions. At the design stage, these aspects have to be assessed and an appropriate means of avoiding, or reducing, and draining method will have to be built in.

Floor outlet boxes are generally provided for the use of appliances, which require a signal, or communication connection. The floor box and trunking system should cater to serve both power distribution and the signal distribution, with appropriate safety and non-interference.

**5B.6.7.2** Where a wall tube passes outside a building so as to be exposed to weather, the outer end shall be bell-mouthed and turned downwards and properly bushed on the open end.

### **5B.6.8 Wiring of Distribution Boards**

**5B.6.8.1** All connections between pieces of apparatus or between apparatus and terminals on a board shall be neatly arranged in a definite sequence, following the arrangements of the apparatus mounted thereon, avoiding unnecessary crossings.

**5B.6.8.2** Cables shall be connected to a terminal only by soldered or welded or crimped lugs using suitable sleeve, lugs or ferrules unless the terminal is of such a form that it is possible to securely clamp them without the cutting away of cables stands. Cables in each circuit shall be bunched together.

**5B.6.8.3** All bare conductors shall be rigidly fixed in such a manner that a clearance of at least 25 mm is maintained between conductors of opposite polarity or phase and between the conductors and any material other than insulation material.

**5B.6.8.4** If required, a pilot lamp shall be fixed and connected through an independent single pole switch and fuse to the bus-bars of the board.

**5B.6.8.5** In a hinged type board, the incoming and outgoing cables shall be fixed at one or more points according to the number of cables on the back of the board leaving suitable space in between cables, and shall also, if possible, be fixed at the corresponding points on the switchboard panel. The cables between these points shall be of such length as to allow the switchboard panel to swing through on angle of not less than 90°. The circuit breakers in such cases shall be accessible without opening the door of distribution board. Also, circuit breakers or any other equipment (having cable size more than 1.5 sq. mm multi strand wire) shall not be mounted on the door.

NOTE — Use of hinged type boards is discouraged, as these boards lead to deterioration of the cables in the hinged portion, leading to failures or even fire.

**5B.6.8.6** Wires terminating and originating from the protective devices shall be properly lugged and taped.

### **5B.6.9 PVC-Sheathed Wiring System**

#### **5B.6.9.1 General**

Wiring with PVC-sheathed cables is suitable for medium voltage installation and may be installed directly under exposed conditions of sun and rain or damp places.

#### **5B.6.9.2 PVC Clamps/PVC Channel**

Link clips had been the common system for wiring on wooden batten, which is now phased out. PVC clamps/PVC channel shall conform accepted standards. The clamps shall be used for temporary installations of 1-3 sheathed wires only. The clamps shall be fixed on wall at intervals of 100 mm in the case of horizontal runs and 150 mm in the case of vertical runs.

PVC channel shall be used for temporary installations in case more than 3 wires or wires or unsheathed wires. The channel shall be clamped on wall at intervals not exceeding 300 mm.

#### **5B.6.9.3 Protection of PVC-Sheathed Wiring from Mechanical Damage**

- a) In cases where there are chances of any damage to the wirings, such wirings shall be covered with sheet metal protective covering, the base of which is made flush with the

plaster or brickwork, as the case may be, or the wiring shall be drawn through a conduit complying with all requirements of conduit wiring system (see 6.10).

- b) Such protective coverings shall in all cases be fitted on all down-drops within 1.5 m from the floor.

#### **5B.6.9.4** *Bends in Wiring*

The wiring shall not in any circumstances be bent so as to form a right angle but shall be rounded off at the corners to a radius not less than six times the overall diameter of the cable.

#### **5B.6.9.5** *Passing Through Floors*

All cables taken through floors shall be enclosed in an insulated heavy gauge steel conduit extending 1.5 m above the floor and flush with the ceiling below, or by means of any other approved type of metallic covering. The ends of all conduits or pipes shall be neatly bushed with porcelain, wood or the approved material.

#### **5B.6.9.6** *Passing Through Walls*

The method to be adopted shall be according to good practice. There shall be one or more conduits of adequate size to carry the conductors [see **5B.6.10.1(a)**]. The conduits shall be neatly arranged so that the cables enter them straight without bending.

#### **5B.6.9.7** *Stripping of Outer Covering*

While cutting and stripping of the outer covering of the cables, care shall be taken that the sharp edge of the cutting instrument does not touch the rubber or PVC-sheathed insulation of conductors. The protective outer covering of the cables shall be stripped off near connecting terminals, and this protective covering shall be maintained up to the close proximity of connecting terminals as far as practicable. Care shall be taken to avoid hammering on link clips with any metal instruments, after the cables are laid. Where junction boxes are provided, they shall be made moisture-proof with an approved plastic compound.

#### **5B.6.9.8** *Painting*

If so required, the tough rubber-sheathed wiring shall, after erection, be painted with one coat of oil-less paint or distemper of suitable colour over a coat of oil-less primer, and the PVC-sheathed wiring shall be painted with a synthetic enamel paint of quick drying type.

### **5B.6.10** **Conduit Wiring System**

#### **5B.6.10.1** *Surface Conduit Wiring System with Rigid Steel Conduits*

- a) *Type and size of conduit*— All conduit pipes shall conform to accepted standards [(19)IS2667], finished with galvanized or stove enameled surface. All conduit accessories shall be of threaded type and under no circumstance pin grip type or clamp type accessories be used. No steel conduit less than 16 mm in diameter shall be used. The number of insulated conductors that can be drawn into rigid conduit are given in Tables 1 and 2.
- b) *Bunching of cables*— Unless otherwise specified, insulated conductors of ac supply and dc supply shall be bunched in separate conduits. For lighting and small power outlet circuits phase segregation in separate conduits is recommended.
- c) *Conduit joints*— Conduit pipes shall be joined by means of screwed couplers and screwed accessories only [(19)IS2667]. In long distance straight runs of conduit, inspection type couplers at reasonable intervals shall be provided or running threads with couplers and jam-nuts (in the latter case the bare threaded portion shall be treated with anti-corrosive

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preservative) shall be provided. Threaded on conduit pipes in all cases shall be between 11 mm to 27 mm long sufficient to accommodate pipes to full threaded portion of couplers or accessories. Cut ends of conduit pipes shall have no sharp edges nor any burrs left to avoid damage to the insulation of conductors while pulling them through such pipes.

- d) *Protection against dampness*— In order to minimize condensation or sweating inside the tube, all outlets of conduit system shall be properly drained and ventilated, but in such a manner as to prevent the entry of insects as far as possible.
- e) *Protection of conduit against rust*— The outer surface of the conduit pipes, including all bends, unions, tees, conduit system shall be adequately protected against rust particularly when such system is exposed to weather. In all cases, no bare threaded portion of conduit pipe shall be allowed unless such bare threaded portion is treated with anti-corrosive preservative or covered with suitable plastic compound.
- f) *Fixing of conduit*— Conduit pipes shall be fixed by heavy gauge saddles, secured to suitable wood plugs or other plugs with screws in an approved manner at an interval in an approved manner at an interval of not more than 1 m, but on either side of couplers or bends or similar fittings, saddles shall be fixed at a distance of 300 cm from the centre of such fittings.
- g) *Bends in conduit*— All necessary bends in the system including diversion shall be done by bending pipes; or by inserting suitable solid or inspection type normal bends, elbows or similar fittings; or fixing cast iron, thermoplastic or thermosetting plastic material inspection boxes whichever is more suitable. Conduit fittings shall be avoided as far as possible on conduit system exposed to weather; where necessary, solid type fittings shall be used. Radius of such bends in conduit pipes shall be not less than 7.5 cm. No length of conduit shall have more than the equivalent of four quarter bends from outlet to outlet, the bends at the outlets not being counted,
- h) *Outlets*— All outlets for fittings, switches, etc, shall be boxes of suitable metal or any other approved outlet boxes for either surface mounting system.
- i) *Conductors*— All conductors used in conduit wiring shall preferably be stranded. No single-core cable of nominal cross-sectional area greater than 130 mm<sup>2</sup> enclosed along in a conduit and used for alternating current,
- j) *Erection and earthing of conduit*— The conduit of each circuit or section shall be completed before conductors are drawn in. The entire system of conduit after erection shall be tested for mechanical and electrical continuity throughout and permanently connected to earth conforming to the requirements as already specified by means of suitable earthing clamp efficiently fastened to conduit pipe in a workman like manner for a perfect continuity between each wire and conduit. Gas or water pipes shall not be used as earth medium. If conduit pipes are liable to mechanical damage they shall be adequately protected.
- k) Inspection type conduit fittings, such as inspection boxes, draw boxes, bends, elbows and tees shall be so installed that they can remain accessible for such purposes as to withdrawal of existing cables or the installing of traditional cables.

### **5B.6.10.2** *Recessed Conduit Wiring System with Rigid Steel Conduit*

Recessed conduit wiring system shall comply with all the requirements for surface conduit wiring system specified in **5B.6.10.1 (a) to (j)** and in addition, conform to the requirements specified below:

- a) *Making of chase*— The chase in the wall shall be nearly made and be of ample dimensions to permit the conduit to be fixed in the manner desired. In the case of buildings under construction, chases shall be provided. In the wall, ceiling, etc., at the time of their construction and shall be filled up neatly after reaction of conduit and brought to the original finish of the wall. In case of exposed brick/rubble masonry work, special care shall be taken to fix the conduit and accessories in position along with the building work.
- b) *Fixing of conduit in chase*— The conduit pipe shall be fixed by means of staples or by means of saddles not more than 600 mm apart. Fixing of standard bends or elbows shall be avoided as far as practicable and all curves maintained by bending the conduit pipe itself with a long radius which will permit easy drawing-in of conductors. All threaded joints of rigid steel conduit shall be treated with preservative compound to secure protection against rust.
- c) *Inspection boxes*— Suitable inspection boxes shall be provided to permit periodical inspection and to facilitate removal of wires, if necessary. These shall be mounted flush with the wall. Suitable ventilating holes shall be provided in the inspection box covers. The minimum sizes of inspection boxes shall be 75 mm x 75 mm.
- d) *Types of accessories to be used*— All outlet, such as switches and wall sockets, may be either of flush mounting type or of surface mounting type.
  - 1) *Flush mounting type*— All flush mounting outlets shall be of cast-iron or mild steel boxes with a cover of insulating material or shall be a box made of a suitable insulating material. The switches and other outlets shall be mounted on such boxes. The metal box shall be efficiently earthed with conduit by a suitable means of earth attachment.
  - 2) The switches/socket outlets shall be adequately rated IP for various utilizations.
  - 3) *Surface mounting type*— If surface mounting type outlet box is specified, it shall be of any suitable insulating material and outlets mounted in an approved manner.

### **5B.6.10.3** *Conduit Wiring System with Rigid Non-Metallic Conduits*

Rigid non-metallic conduits are used for surface, recessed and concealed conduit wiring. Cable trunking and ducting system of insulating material are used for surface wiring.

#### **5B.6.10.3.1** *Type and size*

All non-metallic conduits used shall conform to accepted standards [(19)IS 2667]. The conduit may be either threaded type or plain type in accordance with accepted standards [(19)IS 2667] and shall be used with the corresponding accessories. The conduits shall be circular or rectangular cross-sections.

#### **5B.6.10.3.2** *Bunching of cables*

Conductors of ac supply and dc supply shall be bunched in separate conduits. For lighting and small power outlet circuits phase segregation in separate circuits is recommended. The number of insulated cables that may be drawn into the conduits are given in **Table 1** and **Table 2**. In these tables the space factor does not exceed 40 percent.

#### **5B.6.10.3.3** *Conduit joints*

Conduits shall be joined by means of screwed or plain couplers depending on whether the conduits are screwed or plain. Where there are long runs of straight conduit, inspection type couplers shall be provided at intervals. For conduit fittings and accessories reference may be made to the Standard practice [(19) IS 2667].

**Table 1: Maximum Permissible Number of Single-Core Cables up to and Including 1100 V that can be Drawn into Rigid Steel and Rigid Non-Metallic Conduits**

(Clauses 5B.6.10.1 and 5B.6.10.3.2)

Size of Cable		Size of Conduit(mm)													
Nominal Cross Section Area mm <sup>2</sup>	Number and Diameter(in mm)of Wires	16		20		25		32		40		50		60	
		S	B	S	B	S	B	S	B	S	B	S	B	S	B
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
1.0	1/1.12 <sup>1)</sup>	5	4	7	5	13	10	20	14	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.5	1/1.40	4	3	7	5	12	10	20	14	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.5	1/1.80	3	2	0	5	10	8	18	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
	3/1.06 <sup>1)</sup>														
4	1/2.24	3	2	4	3	7	8	12	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7/0.85 <sup>1)</sup>														
6	1/2.80	2	-	3	2	6	5	10	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7/1.06 <sup>1)</sup>														
10	7/1.40 <sup>1)</sup>	-	-	2	-	4	3	6	5	8	6	-	-	-	-
16	7/1.70	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	3	7	6	-	-	-	-
25	7/2.24	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	5	4	8	6	9	7
35	7/2.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	3	7	5	8	6
50	19/1.80														

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**1** The table shows the maximum capacity of conduits for the simultaneously drawing of cables. The columns headed S apply to runs of conduit which have distance not exceeding 4.25 m between draw-in boxes, and which do not deflect from the straight by an angle of more than 15°. The columns headed B apply to runs of conduit which deflect from the straight by an angle of more than 15°.

**2** In case an inspection type draw-in box has been provide and if first drawn through one straight conduit, then through the draw in box, and then through the second straight conduit, such systems may be considered as that of a straight conduit even if the conduit deflects through the straight by more than 15°

<sup>1)</sup> For copper conductor only.

**Table 2: Maximum Permissible Number of Single-Core Cables that can be Drawn into Cable Tunneling/Trunking and Ducting System (Casing and Capping)**

(Clauses 5B.6.10.1 and 5B.6.10.3.2)

Normal Cross-Sectional Area of Conductor in mm <sup>2</sup>	10/15mm x 10mm	20mm x 10mm	25mm x 10mm	30mm x 10mm	40mm x 20mm	50mm x 20mm
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.5	3	5	6	8	12	18
2.5	2	4	5	6	9	15
4	2	3	4	5	8	12
6	-	2	3	4	6	9
10	-	1	2	3	5	8
16	-	-	1	2	4	6
25	-	-	-	1	3	5
35	-	-	-	-	2	4
50	-	-	-	-	1	3
70	-	-	-	-	1	2

**5B.6.10.3.4 Fixing of conduits**

The provisions of **5B.6.10.1(f)** shall apply except that the spacing between saddles or supports is recommended to be 600 cm for rigid non-metallic conduits.

**5B.6.10.3.5 Bends in conduits**

Wherever necessary, bends or diversions may be achieved by bending the conduits (see **5B.6.10.3.8**) or by employing normal bends, inspection bends, inspection boxes, elbows or similar fittings.

**5B.6.10.3.6** Conduit fittings shall be avoided, as far as possible, on outdoor systems

**5B.6.10.3.7 Outlets**

In order to minimize condensation or sweating inside the conduit, all outlets of conduit system shall be properly drained and ventilated, but in such a manner as to prevent the entry of insects.

**5B.6.10.3.8** Heat may be used to soften the conduit for bending and forming joints in case of plain conduits. As the material softens when heated, sitting of conduit in close proximity to hot surfaces should be avoided. Caution should be exercised in the use of this conduit in locations where the ambient temperature is 50°C or above. Use of such conduits in places where ambient temperature is 60°C or above is prohibited.

**5B.6.10.3.9** Non-metallic conduit systems shall be used only where it is ensured that they are:

- a. suitable for the extremes of ambient temperature to which they are likely to be subjected in service,
- b. resistant to moisture and chemical atmospheres, and
- c. resistant to low temperature and sunlight effects.

For use underground, the material shall be resistant to moisture and corrosive agents.

NOTE — Rigid PVC conduits are not suitable for use where the normal working temperature of the conduits and fittings may exceed 55°C. Certain types of rigid PVC conduits and their associated fittings are unsuitable for use where the ambient temperature is likely to fall below -5°C.

#### **5B.6.10.4** *Non-Metallic Recessed Conduit Wiring System*

**5B.6.10.4.1** Recessed non-metallic conduit wiring system shall comply with all the requirements of surface nonmetallic conduit wiring system specified in **5B.6.10.3.1** to **5B.6.10.3.9** except **5B.6.10.3.4**. In addition, the following requirements **5B.6.10.4.2** to **5B.6.10.4.5** also shall be complied with.

##### **5B.6.10.4.2** *Fixing of conduit in chase*

The conduit pipe shall be fixed by means of staples or by means of non-metallic saddles placed at not more than 80 cm apart or by any other approved means of fixing. Fixing of standard bends or elbows shall be avoided as far as practicable and all curves shall be maintained by sending the conduit pipe itself with along radius which will permit easy drawing in of conductors. At either side of bends, saddles/staples shall be fixed at a distance of 15 cm from the centre of bends.

##### **5B.6.10.4.3** *Inspection boxes*

Suitable inspection boxes to the nearest minimum requirements shall be provided to permit periodical inspection and to facilitate replacement of wires, if necessary. The inspection/junction boxes shall be mounted flush with the wall or ceiling concrete. Where necessary deeper boxes of suitable dimensions shall be used. Suitable ventilating holes shall be provided in the inspection box covers, where required.

**5B.6.10.4.4** The outlet boxes such as switch boxes, regulator boxes and their phenolic laminated sheet covers shall be as per requirements of **5B.6.10.1(h)**,

They shall be mounted flush with the wall.

##### **5B.6.10.4.5** *Types of accessories to be used*

All outlets such as switches, wall sockets, etc, maybe either flush mounting type or of surface mounting type.

## **5B.7 FITTINGS AND ACCESSORIES**

### **5B.7.1** Ceiling Roses and Similar Attachments

**5B.7.1.1A** ceiling rose or any other similar attachment shall not be used on a circuit the voltage of which normally exceeds 250 V.

**5B.7.1.2** Normally, only one flexible cord shall be attached to a ceiling rose. Specially designed ceiling roses shall be used for multiple pendants.

**5B.7.1.3A** ceiling rose shall not embody fuse terminal as an integral part of it.

**5B.7.2 Socket-Outlets and Plugs**

Each 16A socket-outlet provided in buildings for the use of domestic appliances such as air conditioner, water cooler, etc, shall be provided with its own individual fuse, with suitable discrimination with backup fuse or miniature circuit-breaker provided in the distribution/sub-distribution board. The socket-outlet shall not necessarily embody the fuse as an integral part of it.

**5B.7.2.1** Each socket-outlet shall also be controlled by a switch which shall preferably be located immediately adjacent thereto or combined therewith.

**5B.7.2.2** The switch controlling the socket-outlet shall be on the live side of the line.

**5B.7.2.3** Ordinary socket-outlet may be fixed at any convenient place at a height above 20 cm from the floor level and shall be away from danger of mechanical injury.

NOTE — In situations where a socket-outlet is accessible to children, it is necessary to install an interlocked plug and socket or alternatively a socket-outlet which automatically gets screened by the withdrawal of plug. In industrial premises socket-outlet of rating 20 A and above shall preferably be provided with interlocked type switch.

**5B.7.2.4** In an earthed system of supply, a socket-outlet with plug shall be of three-pin type with the third terminal connected to the earth. When such socket outlets with plugs are connected to any current consuming device of metal or any non-insulating material or both, conductors connecting such current consuming devices shall be of flexible cord with an earthing core and the earthing core shall be secured by connecting between the earth terminal of plug and the body of current-consuming devices.

In industrial premises three-phase and neutral socket-outlets shall be provided with a earth terminal either of pin type or scrapping type in addition to the main pins required for the purpose.

**5B.7.2.5** In wiring installations, metal clad switch, socket outlet and plugs shall be used for power wiring.

NOTE —A recommended schedule of socket-outlets in a residential building is given below:

<i>Location</i>	<i>Number of 5A Socket-Outlets</i>	<i>Number of 15A Socket-Outlets</i>
Bed room	2 to 3	1
Living room	2 to 3	2
Kitchen	1	2
Dining room	2	1
Garage	1	1
For refrigerator	-	1
For air conditioner	-	(one for each)
VERANDAH	1 per 10m <sup>2</sup>	1
Bathroom	1	1

**5B.7.3 Lighting Fittings**

**5B.7.3.1** A switch shall be provided for control of every lighting fitting or a group of lighting fittings. Where control at more than one point is necessary as many two way or intermediate switches may be provided as there are control points.

**5B.7.3.2** In industrial premises lighting fittings shall be supported by suitable pipe/conduits, brackets fabricated from structural steel, steel chains or similar materials depending upon the type and weight of the fittings.

**5B.7.3.3** No flammable shade shall form a part of lighting fittings unless such shade is well protected against all risks of fire. Celluloid shade or lighting fittings shall not be used under any circumstances.

**5B.7.3.4** General and safety requirements for electrical lighting fittings shall be in accordance with Standard practice [(20) IS 1913].

**5B.7.3.5** The lighting fittings shall conform to accepted standards [(10) IS 1777].

#### **5B.7.4 Fitting-Wire**

The use of fittings-wire shall be restricted to the internal wiring of the lighting fittings. Where fittings-wire is used for wiring fittings, the sub-circuit loads shall terminate in a ceiling rose or box with connectors from which they shall be carried into the fittings.

#### **5B.7.5 Lampholders**

Lampholders for use on brackets and the like shall be in accordance with accepted standards [(21)IS1258] and all those for use with flexible pendants shall be provided with cord grips. All lampholders shall be provided with shade carriers. Where centre-contact Edison screw lampholders are used, the outer or screw contacts shall be connected to the 'middle wire', the neutral, the earthed conductor of the circuit.

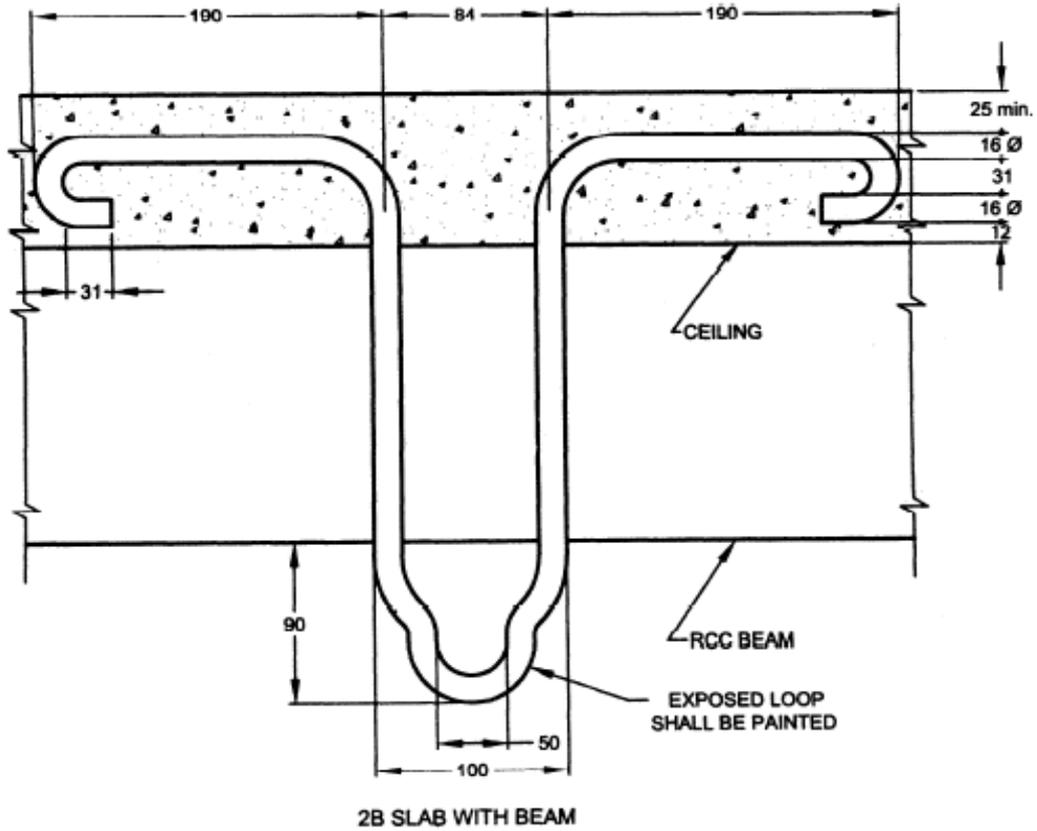
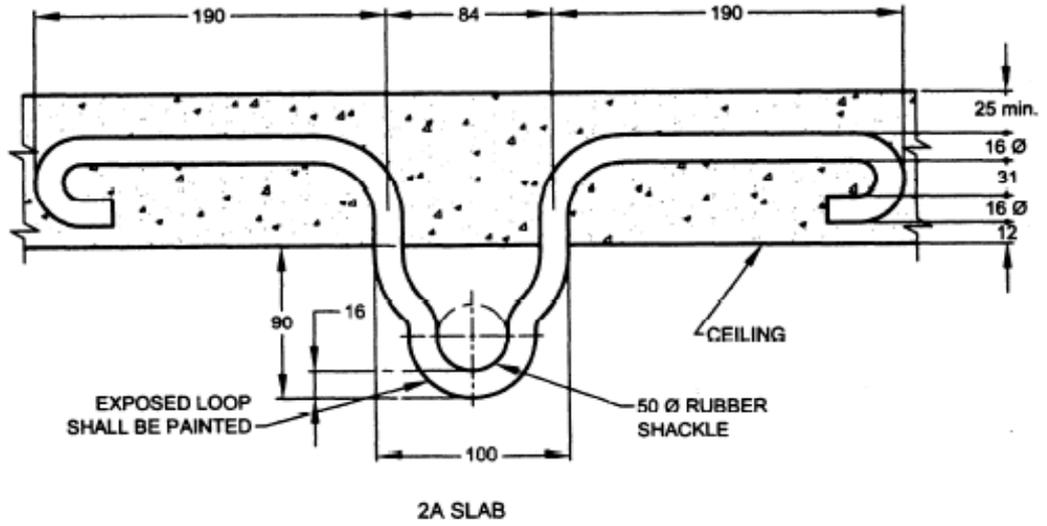
#### **5B.7.6 Outdoor Lamps**

External and road lamps shall have weatherproof fittings of approved design so as to effectively prevent the ingress of moisture and dust. Flexible cord and cord grip lampholders shall not be used where exposed to weather. In VERANDAHS and similar exposed situations where pendants are used, these shall be of fixed rod type.

#### **5B.7.7 Lamps**

All lamps unless otherwise required and suitably protected, shall be hung at a height of not less than 2.5 m above the floor level. All electric lamps and accessories shall conform to accepted standards [(22)IS 418]

- a) Portable lamps shall be wired with flexible cord. Hand lamps shall be equipped with a handle of moulded composition or other material approved for the purpose. Hand lamps shall be equipped with a substantial guard attached to the lampholder or handle. Metallic guards shall be earthed suitably.
- b) A bushing or the equivalent shall be provided where flexible cord enters the base or stem of portable lamp. The bushing shall be of insulating material unless a jacketed type of cord is used.
- c) All wiring shall be free from short-circuits and shall be tested for these defects prior to being connected to the circuit.
- d) Exposed live parts within porcelain fixtures shall be suitably recessed and so located as to make it improbable that wires will come in contact with them. There shall be a spacing of at least 125 mm between live parts and the mounting plane of the fixture.



a) All dimensions in millimetres

**NOTES**

- 1) RCC slab steel reinforcement not shown.
- 2) Fan clamp shall be placed in position such that its projecting arms in the line of length of beam.

**Figure 2: Typical Design of Fan Clamps**

### **5B.7.8 Fans, Regulators and Clamps**

#### **5B.7.8.1 Ceiling Fans**

Ceiling fans including their suspension shall conform to accepted standards[(23) IS 374] and to the following requirements:

- a) Control of a ceiling fan shall be through its own regulator as well as a switch in series.  
All ceiling fans shall be wired with normal wiring to ceiling roses or to special connector boxes to which fan rod wires shall be connected and suspended from hooks or shackles with insulators between hooks and suspension rods. There shall be no joint in the suspension rod, but if joints are unavoidable then such joints shall be screwed to special couplers of 5 cm minimum length and both ends of the pipes shall touch together within the couplers, and shall in addition be secured by means of split pins; alternatively, the two pipes may be welded. The suspension rod shall be of adequate strength to withstand the dead and impact forces imposed on it. Suspension rods should preferably be procured along with the fan.
- b) Fan clamps shall be of suitable design according to the nature of construction of ceiling on which these clamps are to be fitted. In all cases fan clamps shall be fabricated from new metal of suitable sizes and they shall be as close fitting as possible. Fan clamps for reinforced concrete roofs shall be buried with the casting and due care shall be taken that they shall serve the purpose. Fan clamps for wooden beams, shall be of suitable flat iron fixed on two sides of the beam and according to the size and section of the beam one or two mild steel bolts passing through the beam shall hold both flat irons together. Fan clamps for steel joist shall be fabricated from flat iron to fit rigidly to the bottom flange of the beam. Care shall be taken during fabrication that the metal does not crack while hammer to shape. Other fan clamps shall be made to suit the position, but in all cases care shall be taken to see that they are rigid and safe.
- c) Canopies on top and bottom of suspension rods shall effectively conceal suspensions and connections to fan motors, respectively.
- d) The lead-in-wire shall be of nominal cross sectional area not less than 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> copper and shall be protected from abrasion.
- e) Unless otherwise specified, the clearance between the bottom most point of the ceiling fan and the floor shall be not less than 2.4 m. The minimum clearance between the ceiling and the plane of the blades shall be not less than 300 mm.

Atypical arrangement of a fan clamp is given in Figure 2.

NOTE – All fan clamps shall be so fabricated that fans revolve steadily.

#### **5B.7.8.2 Exhaust fans**

For fixing of an exhaust fan, a circular hole shall be provided in the wall to suit the size of the frame which shall be fixed by means of rag-bolts embedded in the wall. The hole shall be nearly plastered with cement and brought to the original finish of the wall. The exhaust fan shall be connected to exhaust fan point which shall be wired as near to the hole as possible by means of a flexible cord, care being taken that the blades rotate in the proper direction.

### **5B.7.9 Attachment of Fittings and Accessories**

**5B.7.9.1** In wiring other than conduit wiring, all ceiling roses, brackets, pendants and accessories attached to walls or ceilings shall be mounted on substantial teakwood blocks twice varnished

after all fixing holes are made in them. Blocks shall not be less than 4 cm deep. Brass screws shall only be used for attaching fittings and accessories to their base blocks.

**5B.7.9.2** Where teak or hardwood boards are used for mounting switches, regulators, etc, these boards shall be well varnished with pure shellac on all four sides(both inside and outside), irrespective of being painted to match the surroundings. The size of such boards shall depend on the number of accessories that could conveniently and neatly be arranged. Where there is danger of attack by white ants, the boards shall be treated with suitable anti-termite compound and painted on both sides.

#### **5B.7.10 Interchangeability**

Similar part of all switches, lampholders, distribution fuse-boards, ceiling roses, brackets, pendants, fans and all other fittings shall be so chosen that they are of the same type and interchangeable in each installation.

#### **5B.7.11 Equipment**

Electrical equipment which form integral part of wiring intended for switching or control or protection of wiring installations shall conform to the relevant Standards wherever they exist.

#### **5B.7.12 Fannage**

**5B.7.12.1** Where ceiling fans are provided, the bay sizes of a building, which control fan point locations, play an important part.

**5B.7.12.2** Fans normally cover an area of 9 m<sup>2</sup> to 10 m<sup>2</sup> and therefore in general purpose office buildings, for every part of a bay to be served by the ceiling fans, it is necessary that the bays shall be so designed that full number of fans could be suitably located for the bay, otherwise it will result in ill-ventilated pockets. In general, fans in long halls may be spaced at 3 m in both the directions. If building modules do not lend themselves for proper positioning of the required number of ceiling fans, such as air circulators or bracket fans would have to be employed for the areas uncovered by the ceiling fans. For this, suitable electrical outlets shall be provided although result will be disproportionate to cost on account of fans.

**5B.7.12.3** Proper air circulation could be achieved either by larger number of smaller fans or smaller number of larger fans. The economics of the system as a whole should be a guiding factor in choosing the number and type of fans and their locations.

**5B.7.12.4** Exhaust fans are necessary for spaces, such as community toilets, kitchens and canteens, and godowns to provide the required number of air changes.

**5B.7.12.5** Positioning of fans and light fittings shall be chosen to make these effective without causing shadows and stroboscopic effect on the working planes.

### **5B.8 EARTHING**

#### **5B.8.1 General**

Earthing shall generally be carried out in accordance with the requirements of Myanmar Electricity Rules.

The main earthing system of an electrical installation must consist of:

- a) An earth electrode;
- b) A main earthing wire;

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- c) An earth bar (located on the main switchboard) for the connection of the main earthing wire, protective earthing wires and/or bonding wires within the installation; and
- d) A removable link, which effectively disconnects the neutral bar from the earth bar.

NOTE — The requirements of (c) and (d) above must be carried out by the licensed electrician as part of the switchboard installation.

The main earthing wire termination must be readily accessible at the earth electrode.

The main earthing wire connection must:

- a) be mechanically and electrically sound;
- b) be protected against damage, corrosion, and vibration;
- c) not place any strain on the various parts of the connection;
- d) not damage the wire or fittings; and
- e) be secured at the earth electrode

Use a permanent fitting (like a screwed-down plastic label or copper label, or one that can be threaded onto the cable) at the connection point that is clearly marked with the words: "EARTHING LEAD — DO NOT DISCONNECT" or "EARTHING CONDUCTOR — DO NOT DISCONNECT".

**5B.8.1.1** All medium voltage equipment shall be earthed by two separate and distinct connections with earth.

Medium voltage systems of 400/230 V, 4-wire, 3-phase, systems are normally operated with the neutral solidly earthed at source. At medium voltage, Myanmar Electricity Regulations require that the neutral be earthed by two separate and distinct connections with earth. Source in the case of a substation (such as 11kV/400 V) would be the neutral(s) of the transformer(s). Neutral conductor of half the size of the phase conductor was permitted in earlier installations. But with the proliferation of equipment using non-linear devices and consequent increase in harmonics, the neutral will carry a current more than the notional out-of-balance current and as such neutral conductor shall be of the same size as the phase conductor.

In the case of high and extra high voltages, the neutral points shall be earthed by not less than two separate and distinct connections with earth, each having its own electrode at the generating station or substation and may be earthed at any other point provided no interference is caused by such earthing. The neutral may be earthed through suitable impedance. Neutral earthing conductor shall be sized at to have a current carrying capacity not less than the phase current.

**5B.8.1.2** As far as possible, all earth connections shall be visible for inspection.

**5B.8.1.3** Earth system shall be so devised that the testing of individual earth electrode is possible. It is recommended that the value of any earth system resistance shall be such as to conform with the degree of shock protection desired.

**5B.8.1.4** It is recommended that a drawing showing the main earth connection and earth electrodes be prepared for each installation.

**5B.8.1.5** No addition to the current-carrying system, either temporary or permanent, shall be made which will increase the maximum available earth fault current or its duration until it has been ascertained that the existing arrangement of earth electrodes, earth busbar, etc, are capable of carrying the new value of earth fault current which may be obtained by this addition.

**5B.8.1.6** No cut-out, link or switch other than a linked switch arranged to operate simultaneously on the earthed or earthed neutral conductor and the live conductors, shall be inserted on any supply system. This, however, does not include the case of a switch for use in controlling a generator or a transformer or a link for test purposes.

**5B.8.1.7** All materials, fittings, etc, used in earthing shall conform to Standard specifications, wherever these exist.

**5B.8.1.8** Earthing associated with current-carrying conductor is normally essential for the security of the system and is generally known as system earthing, while earthing of non-current carrying metal work and conductor is essential for the safety of human life, of animals and of property and it is generally known as equipment earthing.

## **5B.8.2 Earth Electrodes**

Earth electrode either in the form of pipe electrode or plate electrode should be provided at all premises for providing an earth system. Details of typical pipe and plate earth electrodes are given in **Fig.3** and **Fig.4**.

Although electrode material does not affect initial earth resistance, care should be taken to select a material which is resistant to corrosion in the type of soil in which it is used. Under ordinary conditions of soil, use of copper, iron or mild steel electrodes is recommended. In case where soil condition leads to excessive corrosion of the electrode, and the connections, it is recommended to use either copper electrode or copper clad electrode or zinc coated galvanized iron electrode. The electrode shall be kept free from paint, enamel and grease. It is recommended to use similar material for earth electrodes and earth conductors or otherwise precautions should be taken to avoid corrosion.

**5B.8.3** As far as possible, all earth connections shall be visible for inspection and shall be carefully made; if they are poorly made or inadequate for the purpose for which they are intended, loss of life and property or serious personal injury may result.

To obtain low overall resistance the current density should be as low as possible in the medium adjacent to the electrodes; which should be so designed as to cause the current density to decrease rapidly with distance from the electrode. This requirement is met by making the dimensions in one direction large compared with those in the other two, thus a pipe, rod or strip has a much lower resistance than a plate of equal surface area. The resistance is not, however, inversely proportional to the surface area of the electrode.

## **5B.8.4 Equipment and Portions of Installations which shall be Earthed**

### **5B.8.4.1** *Equipment to be Earthed*

Except for equipment provided with double insulation, all the non-current carrying metal parts of electrical installations are to be earthed properly. All metal conduits, trunking, cable sheaths, switchgear, distribution fuse boards, lighting fittings and all other parts made of metal shall be bent together and connected by means of two separate and distinct conductors to an efficient earth electrode.

### **5B.8.4.2** *Structural Metal Work*

Earthing of the metallic parts shall not be effected through any structural metal work which houses the installation. Where metallic parts of the installation are not required to be earthed and are liable to become alive should the insulations of conductors become defective, such metallic parts shall be separated by durable non-conducting material from any structural work.

### **5B.8.5 Neutral Earthing**

To comply with Myanmar Electricity Rules no fuses or circuit breakers other than a linked circuit breaker shall inserted in an earthed neutral conductor, a linked switch or linked circuit breaker shall be arranged to break or the neutral either with or after breaking all the related phase conductors and. shall positively make (or close) the neutral before making (or closing) the phases.

If this neutral point of the supply system is connected permanently to earth, then the above rule applies throughout the installation including 2-wire final circuits. This means that no fuses may be inserted in the neutral or common return wire. And the neutral should consist of a bolted solid link, or part of a linked switch, which completely disconnects the whole system from the supply. This linked switch must be arranged so that the neutral makes before, and break after the phases.

### **5B.8.6 System of Earthing**

Equipment and portions of installations shall be deemed to be earthed only if earthed in accordance with either the direct earthing system, the multiple earthed neutral system or the earth leakage circuit breaker system. In all cases, the relevant provisions of Myanmar Electricity Rules shall be complied with.

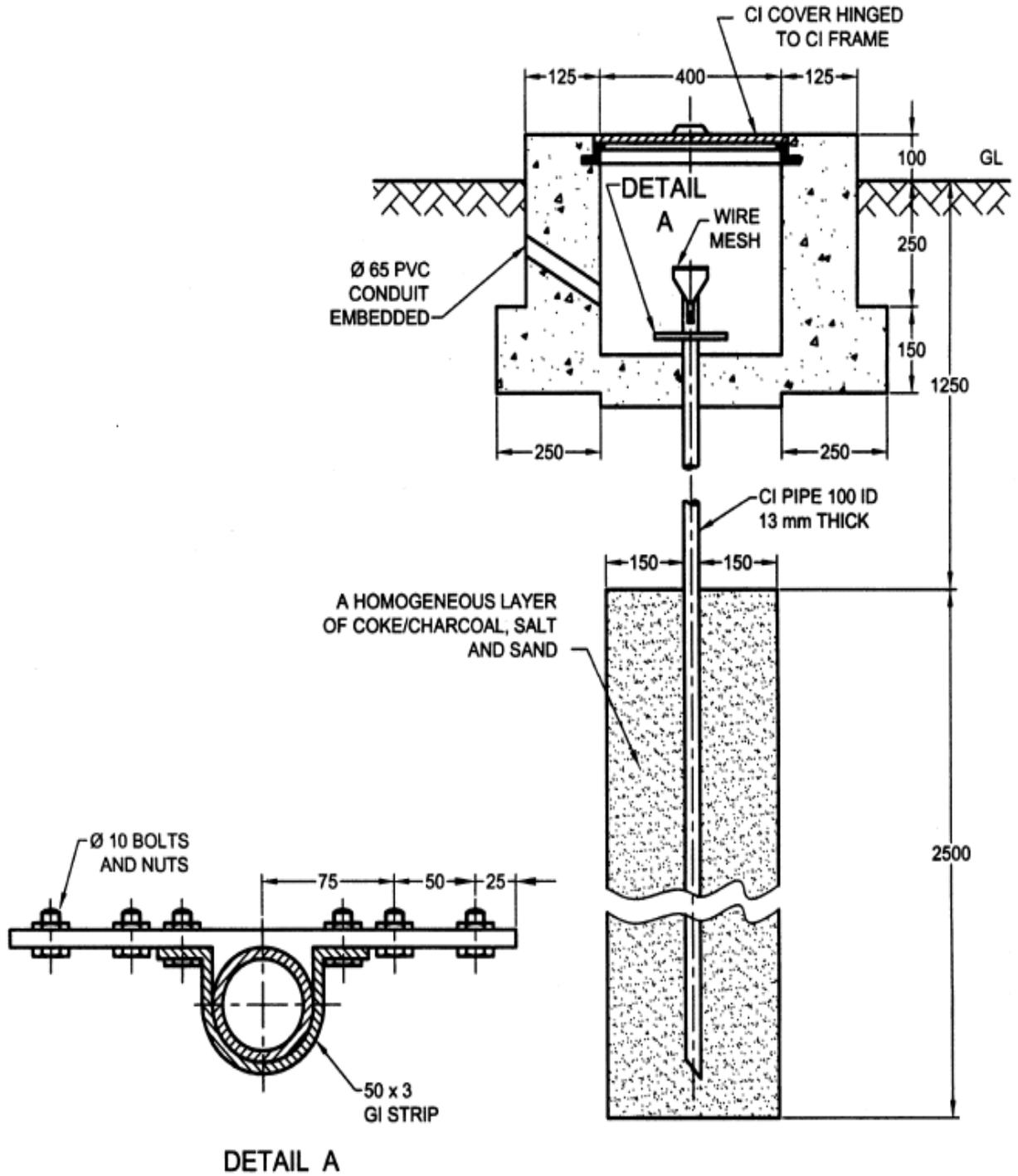
The earthing of electrical installations for nonindustrial and industrial buildings shall be done in accordance with Standard practice [(24) IS 3043].

### **5B.8.7 Classification of Earthing System**

The earthing systems are classified as follows:

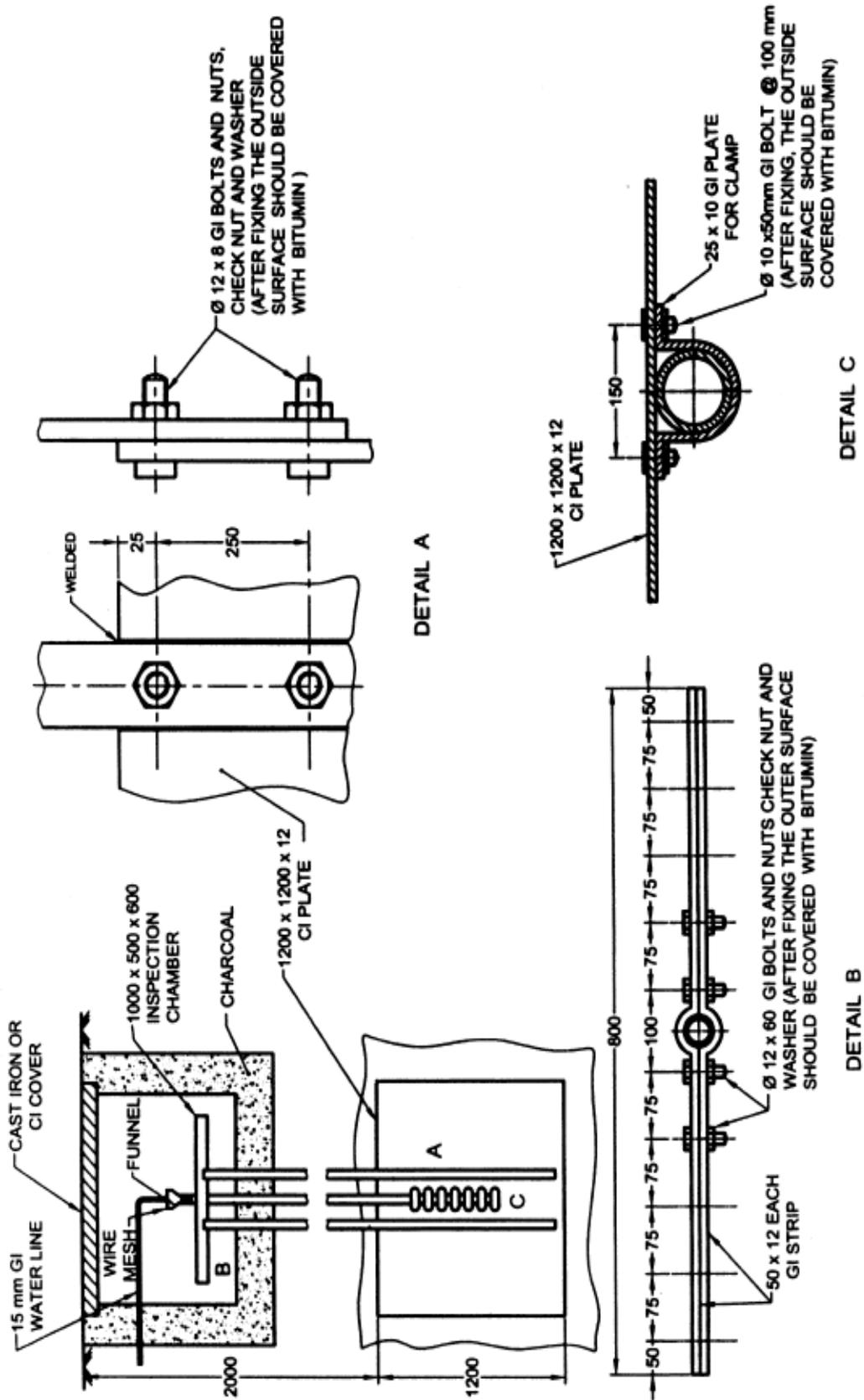
- a) *TN System*— A system which has one or more points of the source of energy directly earth, and the exposed and extraneous conductive parts of the installation are connected by means of protective conductors to the earth points of the source, that is, currents to flow from the installation to the earth points of the source.
- b) *TT System*— A system which has one or more points of the source of energy directly earth, and the exposed and extraneous conductive parts of the installation are connected to a local earth electrodes or electrodes electrically independent of the source earth.

*IT System*— A system which has source either unearthed or earthed through a high impedance and the exposed conductive parts of the installations are connected to electrically independent earth electrodes.



All dimensions in millimeters

Fig. 3 Typical Arrangement of Pipe Earthing



All dimensions in millimeters

Fig.4 Typical Arrangement of Plate Earthing

## **5B.9 INSPECTION AND TESTING OF INSTALLATION**

### **5B.9.1 General Requirements**

**5B.9.1.1** Before the completed installation, or an addition to the existing installation, is put into service, inspection and testing shall be carried out in accordance with the Myanmar Electricity Rules. In the event of defects being found, these shall be rectified, as soon as practicable and the installation retested.

**5B.9.1.2** Periodic inspection and testing shall be carried out in order to maintain the installation in a sound condition after putting into service.

**5B.9.1.3** Where an addition is to be made to the fixed wiring of an existing installation, the latter shall be examined for compliance with the recommendations of the Code.

**5B.9.1.4** The individual equipment and materials which form part of the installation shall generally conform to the relevant Standard Specification wherever applicable.

#### **5B.9.1.5** *Completion Drawings*

On completion of the electric work, a wiring diagram shall be prepared and submitted to the engineer-in-charge or the owner. All wiring diagrams shall indicate clearly, the main switch board, the runs of various mains and submains and the position of all points and their controls. All circuits shall be clearly indicated and numbered in the wiring diagram and all points shall be given the same number as the circuit in which they are electrically connected. Also the location and number of earth points and the run of each load should be clearly shown in the completion drawings.

### **5B.9.2 Inspection of the Installation**

#### **5B.9.2.1** *General*

On completion of wiring a general inspection shall be carried out by competent personnel in order to verify that the provisions of this Code and that of Myanmar Electricity Rules, have been complied with. This, among other things, shall include checking whether all equipments, fittings, accessories, wires/cables, used in the installation are of adequate rating and quality to meet the requirement of the load. General workmanship of the electrical wiring with regard to the layout and finish shall be examined for neatness that would facilitate easy identification of circuits of the system, adequacy of clearances, soundness, contact pressure and contact area. A complete check shall also be made of all the protective devices, with respect to their ratings, range of settings and co-ordination between the various protective devices.

#### **5B.9.2.2** *Item to be Inspected*

##### **5B.9.2.2.1** *Substation installations*

In substation installation, it shall be checked whether:

- 1) The installation has been carried out in accordance with the approved drawings;
- 2) Phase-to-phase and phase to earth clearances are provided as required;
- 3) All equipments are efficiently earthed and properly connected to the required number of earth electrodes;
- 4) The required ground clearance to live terminals is provided;
- 5) Suitable fencing is provided with gate with lockable arrangements;

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- 6) The required number of caution boards fire-fighting equipments, operating rods, rubber mats, etc, are kept in the substation;
- 7) In case of indoor substation sufficient ventilation and draining arrangements are made;
- 8) All cable trenches are provided with non-inflammable covers;
- 9) Free accessibility is provided for all equipments for normal operation;
- 10) All name plates are fixed and the equipments are fully painted;
- 11) All construction materials and temporary connections are removed;
- 12) Oil-level, busbar tightness, transformer tap position, etc, are in order;
- 13) Earth pipe troughs and cover slabs are provided for earth electrodes/earth pits and the neutral and LA earth pits are marked for easy identification;
- 14) Earth electrodes are of GI pipes or CI pipes or copper plates. For earth connections, brass bolts and nuts with lead washers are provided in the pipes/plates;
- 15) Earth pipe troughs and oil sumps/pits are free from rubbish and dirt and stone jelly and the earth connections are visible and easily accessible;
- 16) HT and LT panels switchgears are all vermin and damp-proof and all unused openings or holes are blocked properly;
- 17) The earth bus bars have tight connections and corrosion-free joint surfaces;
- 18) Operating handle of protective devices are provided at an accessible height from ground;
- 19) Adequate headroom is available in the transformer room for easy topping-up of oil, maintenance, etc;
- 20) Safety devices, horizontal and vertical barriers, bus bar covers/shrouds, automatic safety shutters/doors interlock, handle interlock are safe and in reliable operation in all panels and cubicles;
- 21) Clearances in the front, rear and sides of the main HV and MV and sub-switch boards are adequate;
- 22) The switches operate freely; the 3 blades make contact at the same time, the arcing horns contact in advance; and the handles are provided with locking arrangements;
- 23) Insulators are free from cracks, and are clean;
- 24) In transformers, there is any oil leak;
- 25) Connections to bushing in transformers for tightness and good contact;
- 26) Bushings are free from cracks and are clean;
- 27) Accessories of transformers like breathers, vent pipe, Buchholz relay, etc, are in order;
- 28) Connections to gas relay in transformers are in order;
- 29) Oil and winding temperature are set for specific requirements in transformers;
- 30) In case of cable cellars, adequate arrangements to pump out water that has entered due to see page or other reasons;
- 31) All incoming and outgoing circuits of HV and MV panels are clearly and indelibly labeled for identifications;

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- 32) No cable is damaged;
- 33) There is adequate clearance around the equipments installed; and
- 34) Cable terminations are proper.

### **5B.9.2.2.2** *Medium voltage installation*

In medium voltage installations, it shall be checked whether:

- 1) All blocking materials that are used for safe transportation in switchgears, contactors, relays, etc, are removed;
- 2) All connections to be earthing system are feasible for periodical inspection;
- 3) Sharp cable bends are avoided and cables are taken in a smooth manner in the trenches or alongside the walls and ceilings using suitable support clamps at regular intervals;
- 4) Suitable linked switch or circuit breaker or lockable push button is provided near the motors/apparatus for controlling supply to the motor/apparatus in an easily accessible location;
- 5) Two separate and distinct earth connections are provided for the motor/apparatus;
- 6) Control switch-fuse is provided at an accessible height from ground for controlling supply to overhead travelling crane, hoists, overhead bus bar trunking;
- 7) The metal rails on which the crane travels are electrically continuous and earthed and bonding of rails and earthing at both ends are done;
- 8) Four core cables are used for overhead travelling crane and portable equipments, the fourth core being used for earthing, and separate supply for lighting circuit is taken;
- 9) If flexible metallic hose is used for wiring to motors and other equipment, the wiring is enclosed to the full lengths, and the hose secured properly by approved means;
- 10) The cables are not taken through areas where they are likely to be damaged or chemically affected;
- 11) The screens and armours of the cables are earthed properly;
- 12) The belts of the belt driven equipments are properly guarded;
- 13) Adequate precautions are taken to ensure that no live parts are so exposed as to cause danger;
- 14) Ammeters and voltmeters are tested;
- 15) The relays are inspected visually by moving covers for deposits of dusts or other foreign matter;
- 16) Wherever bus ducts/rising mains/overhead bus trucking are used, special care should be taken for earthing the system. All tap off points shall be provided with adequately rated protective device like MCB, MCCB, fuses, ELCB, RCCB, etc;
- 17) All equipments shall be weather, dust and vermin proof; and
- 18) Any and all equipments having air insulation as media shall maintain proper distances between phases; phase to neutral; phase to earth and earth to neutral.

### **5B.9.2.2.3** *Overhead lines*

For overhead lines it shall be checked whether:

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- 1) All conductors and apparatus including live parts thereof are inaccessible;
- 2) The types and size of supports are suitable for the overhead lines/conductors used and are in accordance with approved drawing and standards;
- 3) Clearances from ground level to the lowest conductor of overhead lines, sag conditions, etc, are in accordance with the relevant standard;
- 4) Where overhead lines cross the roads or cross each other or are in proximity with one another, suitable guarding is provided at road crossings and also to protect against possibility of the lines coming in contact with one another;
- 5) Every guard wire is properly earthed;
- 6) The type, size and suitability of the guarding arrangement provided is adequate;
- 7) Stays are provided suitably on the over-headlines as required and are efficiently earthed or provided with suitably stay insulators of suitable voltages;
- 8) Anti-climbing devices and Danger Board/ Caution Board Notices are provided on all HT supports;
- 9) Clearances along the route are checked and all obstructions such as trees/branches and shrubs are cleared on the route to the required distance on either side;
- 10) Clearance between the live conductor and the earthed metal parts are adequate;
- 11) For the service connections tapped-off from the overhead lines, cut-outs of adequate capacity are provided;
- 12) All insulators are properly and securely mounted; also they are not damaged.
- 13) All poles are properly grouted/insulated so as to avoid bending of pole towards tension; and
- 14) Steel poles, if used shall be properly earthed.

### **5B.9.2.2.4** *Lighting circuits*

The lighting circuits shall be checked whether:

- 1) Wooden boxes and panels are avoided in factories for mounting the lighting boards and switch controls, etc;
- 2) Neutral links are provided in double poles with fuses which are used for lighting control, and no protective devices (such as MCB, MCCB, fuses, ELCB, etc) is provided in the neutral;
- 3) The plug points in the lighting circuit are all of 3-pin type, the third pin being suitably earthed;
- 4) Tamper-proof interlocked switch socket and plug are used for locations easily accessible;
- 5) Lighting wiring in factory area is taken enclosed in conduit and conduit properly earthed, or alternatively, armoured cable wiring is used;
- 6) A separate earth wire is run in the lighting installation to provide earthing for plug points, fixtures and equipments;
- 7) Proper connectors and junction boxes are used wherever joints are to be made in conductors or crossover of conductors takes place;
- 8) Cartridge fuse units are fitted with cartridge fuses only;

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- 9) Clear and permanent identification marks are painted in all distribution boards, switchboards, sub-main boards and switches as necessary;
- 10) The polarity having been checked and all protective devices (such as MCB, MCCB, fuses, ELCB, etc) and single pole switches are connected on the phase conductor only and wiring is correctly connected to socket outlets;
- 11) Spare knockouts provided in distribution boards and switch fuses are blocked;
- 12) The ends of conduits enclosing the wiring leads are provided with ebonite or other suitable bushes;
- 13) The fittings and fixtures used for outdoor use are all of weather-proof construction, and similarly, fixtures, fittings and switchgears used in the hazardous area, are of flame-proof application;
- 14) Proper terminal connectors are used for termination of wires (conductors and earth leads) and all strands are inserted in the terminals;
- 15) Flat ended screws are used for fixing conductor to the accessories;
- 16) Use of flat washers backed up by spring washers for making end connections is desirable; and
- 17) All metallic parts of installation such as conduits, distribution boards, metal boxes, etc have been properly earthed.

### **5B.9.3 Testing of Installation**

#### **5B.9.3.1 General**

After inspection, the following tests shall be carried out, before an installation or an addition to the existing installation is put into service. Any testing of the electrical installation in an already existing installation shall commence after obtaining permit to work from the engineer-in-charge and after ensuring the safety provisions.

#### **5B.9.3.2 Testing**

##### **5B.9.3.2.1 Switchboards**

HV and MV switchboards shall be tested in the manner indicated below:

- a) All high voltage switchboards shall be tested for dielectric test as per Standard practice[(25) IS 8623]
- b) All earth connections shall be checked for continuity.
- c) The operation of the protective devices shall be tested by means of secondary or primary injection tests.
- d) The operation of the breakers shall be tested from all control stations.
- e) Indication/signaling lamps shall be checked for proper working.
- f) The operation of the breakers shall be tested for all interlocks.
- g) The closing and opening timings of the breakers shall be tested wherever required for auto-transfer schemes.
- h) Contact resistance of main and isolator contacts shall be measured.
- i) The specific gravity and the voltage of the control battery shall be measured.

**5B.9.3.2.2 Transformers**

Transformers are tested in the manner indicated below:

- a) All commissioning tests shall be in accordance with Standard practice [(26) IS 10028].
- b) Insulation resistance on HV and MV windings shall be measured at the end of 1 min as also at the end of 10 min of measuring the polarization index. The absolute value of insulation resistance should not be the sole criterion for determining the state of dryness of the insulation. Polarization index values should form the basis for determining the state of dryness of insulation. For any class of insulation, the polarization index should be greater than 1.5.

**5B.9.3.2.3 Cables**

Cable installations shall be checked as below:

- a) It shall be ensured that the cables conform to the relevant Standards. Tests shall also be done in accordance with Standard practice[(6) IS 732].The insulation resistance before and after the tests shall be checked.
- b) The insulation resistance between each conductor and against earth shall be measured. The insulation resistance varies with the type of insulation used and with the length of cable. The following empirical rule gives reasonable guidance:

Insulation resistance in megaohms

$$= \frac{10 \times \text{Voltage in kV}}{\text{Length in km}}$$

- c) Physical examination of cables shall be carried out.
- d) Cable terminations shall be checked.
- e) Continuity test shall be performed before charging the cable with current.

**5B.9.3.2.4 Motors and other equipments**

The following test is made on motor and other equipment:

The insulation resistance of each phase winding against the frame and between the windings shall be measured. Megger of 500 V or 1 000 V rating shall be used. Star points should be disconnected. Minimum acceptable value of the insulation resistance varies with the rated power and the rated voltage of the motor.

The following relation may serve as a reasonable guide:

$$R_i = \frac{20 \times E_n}{1000 + 2P}$$

where

$R_i$  = Insulation resistance in megaohms at 25 °C.

$E_n$  = Rated phase to phase voltage.

$P$  = Rated power in kW.

If the resistance is measured at a temperature different from 25°C, the value shall be corrected to 25°C.

The insulation resistance as measured at ambient temperature does not always give a reliable value, since moisture might have been absorbed during shipment and storage. When the temperature of such a motor is raised, the insulation resistance will initially drop considerably, even below the acceptable minimum. If any suspicion exists on this score, motor winding must be dried out.

**5B.9.3.2.5** *Wiring installation*

The following tests shall be done:

- a) The insulation resistance shall be measured by applying between earth and the whole system of conductor or any section thereof with all fuses in place and all switches closed, and except in earthed concentric wiring, all lamps in position or both poles of installation otherwise electrically connected together, a dc voltage of not less than twice the working voltage, provided that it does not exceed 500 V for medium voltage circuits. Where the supply is derived from three –wire (ac or dc) or a poly-phase system, the neutral pole of which is connected to earth either direct or through added resistance the working voltage shall be deemed to be that which is maintained between the outer or phase conductor and the neutral.
- b) The insulation resistance in megaohms of an installation measured as in (a) shall be not less than 50 divided by the number of points on the circuit, provided that the whole installation need not be required to have an insulation resistance greater than one megaohm.
- c) Control rheostats, heating and power appliances and electric signs, may, if desired, be disconnected from the circuit during the test, but in that event the insulation resistance between the case of framework, and all live parts of each rheostat, appliance and sign shall be not less than that specified in the relevant Standard specification or where there is no such specification, shall be not less than half a megaohm.
- d) The insulation resistance shall also be measured between all conductors connected to one pole or phase conductor of the supply and all the conductors connected to the middle wire or to the neutral on to the other pole of phase conductors of the supply. Such a test shall be made after removing all metallic connections between the two poles of the installation and in these circumstances the insulation resistance between conductors of the installation shall be not less than that specified in (b).

**5B.9.3.2.6** *Completion certificate*

On completion of an electrical installation (or an extension to an installation) a certificate shall be furnished by the contractor, counter-signed by the certified supervisor under whose direct supervision the installation was carried out. This certificate shall be in a prescribed form as required by the local electric supply authority. One such recommended form is given in **Annex D**.

**5B.9.3.2.7** *Earthing*

For checking the efficiency of earthing, the following tests are done:

- a) The earth resistance of each electrode shall be measured.
- b) Earth resistance of earthing grid shall be measured.
- c) All electrodes shall be connected to the grid and the earth resistance of the entire earthing system shall be measured.

These tests shall preferably be done during the summer months.

## **5B.10 TELECOMMUNICATION AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES**

### **15B.0.1 Telecommunication Service**

**5B.10.1.1** House wiring of telephone subscribers offices in small buildings is normally undertaken by the relevant Telecommunications service provider on the surface of walls. And the user (subscriber) likes to have extension or place to another location inside the same apartment/house; the work should be undertaken with the instruction from the Auto Telephone Department. But in large multi- storied buildings intended for commercial, business and office use as well as for residential purposes, wiring for telephone connections is generally done in a concealed manner through conduits. The telephone wiring diagrams of the multi-storied building should be consulted and appalled for the permission to use to the Auto Telephone Department in prior to the completion of building construction.

**5B.10.1.2** The requirements of telecommunication facilities like Telephone connections, Private Branch Exchange, Intercommunication facilities, Telex and Telephone lines and Fibre cables are to be planned well in advance so that suitable provisions are made in the building plan in such a way that the demand for telecommunication services in any part of the building at any floor are met at any time during the life of the building.

**5B.10.1.3** Layout arrangements, methods for internal block wiring and other requirements regarding provisions of space including room for Telecommunication facilities and equipments etc, may be decided depending as the number of phone outlets and other details in consultation with Engineer/Architect and user. Those arrangement//methods & requirements should be consulted with respective Telecommunications service provider for the safety and effectiveness of the materials usage.

**5B.10.2 Public Address System** — See Fire Department Instructions.

### **5B.10.3 Common Antenna System for TV Receivers**

**5B.10.3.1** In multi-storied apartments, houses and hotels where many TV receivers are located, a common master antenna system may preferably be used to avoid mushrooming of individual antennas.

**5B.10.3.2** Master antenna is generally provided at the top most convenient point in any building and a suitable room on the top most floors or terrace for housing the amplifier unit, etc, may also be provided in consultation with the architect/engineer.

**5B.10.3.3** From the amplifier rooms, conduits are laid in recess to facilitate drawing co-axial cable to individual flats. Suitable 'Tap Off' boxes may be provided in every room/flat as required.

### **5B.10.4 UPS System**

An electrical device providing an interface between the main power supply and sensitive loads (computer systems, instrumentation, etc). The UPS supplies sinusoidal ac power free of disturbances and within strict amplitude and frequency tolerances. It is generally made up of a rectifier/charger and an inverter together with a battery for backup power in the event of a mains failure with virtually no time lag.

In general UPS system shall be provided for sensitive electronic equipments like computers, printers, fire alarm panel, public address system equipment, access control panel, EPABX, etc with the following provisions:

- a) Provisions of isolation transformers shall be provided where the capacity exceeds 5 kVA.
- b) UPS shall have dedicated neutral earthing system.

- c) Adequate rating of protective devices such as MCB, MCCB, fuses, ELCB, etc, shall be provided at both incoming and outgoing sides.
- d) UPS room shall be provided with adequate ventilation and/or air conditioning as per requirement.

#### **5B.10.5 Inverter**

In general inverter system shall be provided for house lighting, shop lighting, etc, with the following provisions:

- a) Adequate rating of protective devices such as MCB, MCCB, fuses, ELCB, etc, shall be provided at both incoming and outgoing sides.
- b) Earthing shall be done properly.
- c) Adequate ventilation space shall be provided around the battery section of the inverter.
- d) Care in circuit design to keep the connected load in such a manner that the demand at the time of mains failure is within the capability of the inverter. (If the inverter fails to take over the load at the time of the mains failure, the purpose of providing the inverter and battery backup is defeated.)
- e) Circuits which are fed by the UPS or Inverter systems should have suitable marking to ensure that a workman does not assume that the power is off, once he has switched off the mains from the DB for maintenance.
- f) UPS systems and Inverter systems have a very limited fault feeding capacity in comparison to the mains supply from the licensee's network. The low fault current feed may cause loss of discrimination in the operation of MCB's, if the Inverter or UPS system feeds a number of circuits with more than one over current protective device in series (such as incoming MCB at the DB and a few outgoing MCB'S). The choice of MCB's in such cases has to be done keeping the circuit operating and fault condition parameters under both (mains operation and UPS operation) conditions.

#### **5B.10.6 Diesel Generating Set (less than 5 kVA)**

In general small diesel generating sets shall be provided for small installations such as offices, shops, small scale industry, hostels, etc, with the following provisions:

- a) These shall be located near the exit or outside in open areas.
- b) They shall be in reach of authorized persons only.
- c) Adequate fire-fighting equipment shall be provided near such installations.
- d) Exhaust from these shall be disposed in such a way so as not to cause health hazard.
- e) These shall have acoustic enclosure, or shall be placed at a location so as not to cause noise pollution.
- f) Adequate ventilation shall be provided around the installation.
- g) Adequate rating of protective devices such as MCB, MCCB, fuses, ELCB, etc shall be provided.
- h) Separate and adequate body and neutral earthing shall be done.

#### **5B.10.7 Building Management System**

A building management/automation system may be considered to be provided for controlling and monitoring of all parameters of HVAC, electrical, plumbing, fire fighting, low voltage system such as telephone, TV, etc. This not only lead to reduction of energy consumption, it shall also generate data leading to better operation practice and systematic maintenance scheduling. The total overview provided by a Building Automation System, with a capability to oversee a large

number of operating and environmental parameters on real time basis leads to introduction of measures which lead to further reduction in energy consumption.

It shall also help in reduction of skilled manpower required for operation and maintenance of large complexes. This system can further linked to other systems such as Fire alarm system, public address system, etc for more effective running of services.

This system can be used for analysis and controlling of all services in a particular complex, leading efficient and optimum utilization of available services.

### **5B. 10.8 Security System**

Security System may be defined as an integrated Closed Circuit Television System, Access Control System, Perimeter Protection Systems, movement sensors, etc. These have a central control panel, which has a defined history storage capacity. This main control panel may be located near to the fire detection and alarm system.

These may be considered for high security areas or large crowded areas or complexes. High security areas may consider uncoded, high-resolution, black and white cameras in place of colored cameras. These may be accompanied with movement sensors.

Access control may be provided for entry to high security areas. The systems may have proximity card readers, magnetic readers, etc.

### **5B. 10.9 Computer Networking**

Networking is the practice of linking computing devices together with hardware and software that supports data communications across these devices.

### **5B. 10.10 Car Park Management System**

The Car Management System may be provided in multi-level parking or other parking lots where number of vehicles to be parked exceeds 1000 vehicles. The Car Park Management System may have features of Pay and Display Machines and Parking Guidance System. The Pay and Display Machines may be manned and unmanned type. Parking guidance system needs to display number of car spaces vacant on various floors, direction of entry and exit, etc. This system can be of great benefit in evaluating statistical data's such as number of cars in a day or month or hour, stay time of various vehicles, etc.

## **5B.11 LIGHTNING PROTECTION OF BUILDINGS**

### **5B.11.1 Basic Considerations for Protection**

Before proceeding with the detailed design of a lightning protecting system, the following essential steps should be taken:

- a) Decide whether or not the structure needs protection and, if so, what are the special requirements (*see* **5B.11.1.1**) {*see* International Standard practice for details [IEC 62305]}
- b) Ensure a close liaison between the architect, the builder, the lightning protective system engineer, and the appropriate authorities throughout the design stages.
- c) Agree the procedures for testing, commissioning and future maintenance.

#### **5B. 11.1.1 Need for Protection**

Structures with inherent explosive risks; for example, explosives factories, stores and dumps and fuel tanks; usually need the highest possible class of lightning protective system.

For all other structures, the standard of protection recommended in the remainder of the Code is applicable and the only question remaining is whether to protect or not.

In many cases, the need for protection may be self-evident, for example:

- where large numbers of people congregate;
- where essential public services are concerned;
- where the area is one in which lightning strokes are prevalent;
- where there are very tall or isolated structures; and
- where there are structures of historic or cultural importance.

However, there are many cases for which a decision is not so easy to make. Various factors effecting the risk of being struck and the consequential effects of a stroke in these cases are discussed in **5B.11.1.2** to **5B.11.1.8**.

It must be understood, however, that some factors cannot be assessed, and these may override all other considerations. For example, a desire that there should be no avoidable risk to life or that the occupants of a building should always feel safe, may decide the question in favour of protection, even though it would normally be accepted that there was no need. No guidance can be given in such matters, but an assessment can be made taking account of the exposure risk (that is the risk of the structure being struck) and the following factors:

- a) Use to which the structure is put,
- b) Nature of its construction,
- c) Value of its contents or consequential effects,
- d) The location of the structure, and
- e) The height of the structure (in the case of composite structures the overall height).

#### **5B.11.1.2** *Estimation of Exposure Risk*

The probability of a structure or building being struck by lightning in any one year is the product of the 'lightning flash density' and the 'effective collection area' of the structure. The lightning flash density,  $N_g$ , is the number of (flashes to ground) per km<sup>2</sup> per year.

NOTE — For the purposes of this Code, the information given in Figure 5 on thunderstorm days per year would be necessary to be translated in terms of estimated average annual density  $N_g$

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The table below which indicates the relationship between thunderstorm days per year and lightning flashes per square kilometer per year:

<i>Thunderstorm</i>		<i>Lightning Flashes per km<sup>2</sup> per Year</i>	
<i>days/year</i>	Mean	Limits	Limits
	5		0.2      0.1-0.5
	10		0.5      0.15-1
	20		1.1      0.3-3
	30		1.9      0.6-5
	40		2.8      0.8-8
	50		3.7      1.2-10
	60		4.7      1.8-12
	80		6.9      3-17
100	9.24 – 20		

The effective collection area of a structure is the area on the plan of the structure extended in all directions to take account of its height. The edge of the effective collection area is displaced from the edge of the structure by an amount equal to the height of the structure at that point. Hence, for a simple rectangular building of length L, width W and height H meters, the collection area has length (L + 2H) meters and width (W + 2 H) meters with four rounded corners formed by quarter circles of radius H meters. This gives a collection area,  $A_c$  (in m<sup>2</sup>):

$$A_c = (L \times W) + 2 (L \times H) + 2 (W \times H) + \pi H^2 \quad \dots (1)$$

The probable number of strikes (risk) to the structure per year is:

$$P = A_c \times N_g \times 10^{-6} \quad \dots (2)$$

It must first be decided whether this risk P is acceptable or whether some measure of protection is thought necessary.

### **5B.11.1.3** *Suggested Acceptable Risk*

For the purposes of this Code, the acceptable risk figure has been taken as  $10^{-5}$ , that is, 1 in 100000 per year.

### **5B.11.1.4** *Overall Assessment of Risk*

Having established the value of P, the probable number of strikes to the structure per year [see equation (2) in **5B.11.1.2**] the next step is to apply the 'weighting factors' in **Tables 3** and **4**.

This is done by multiplying P by the appropriate factors to see whether the result, the overall weighting factors, exceeds the acceptable risk of  $P = 10^{-5}$  per year.

### **5B.11.1.5** *Weighting Factors*

In Tables 3A to 3E, the weighting factor values are given under headings 'A' to 'E', denoting a relative degree of importance or risk in each case. The tables are mostly self-explanatory but it may be helpful to say something about the intention of **Table 3C**.

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**Table 3: Overall Assessment of Risk**

*(Clauses 11.1.4 and 11.1.5)*

**Table 3A: Weighting Factor 'A'**

**(Use of Structure)**

<b>Use to Which Structure is Put</b>	<b>Value of 'A'</b>
Houses and other buildings of comparable size	0.3
Houses and other buildings of comparable size with outside aerial	0.7
Factories, workshops and laboratories	1.0
Office blocks, hotels, blocks of flats and other residential buildings other than those included below	1.2
Places of assembly, for example, churches, halls, theatres, museums, exhibitions, departmental stores, post offices, stations, airports, and stadium structures	1.3
Schools, hospitals, children's and other homes	1.7

**Table 3B: Weighting Factor 'B'**

**(Type of Construction)**

<b>Type of Construction</b>	<b>Value of 'B'</b>
Steel framed encased with any roof other than metal <sup>1)</sup>	0.2
Reinforced concrete with any roof other than metal	0.4
Steel framed encased or reinforced concrete with metal roof	0.8
Brick, plain concrete or masonry with any roof other than metal or thatch	1.0
Timber framed or clad with any roof other than metal or thatch	1.4
Brick, plain concrete, masonry, timber framed but with metal roofing	1.7
Any building with a thatched roof	2.0

<sup>1)</sup> A structure of exposed metal which is continuous down to ground level is excluded from these tables as it requires no lighting protection beyond adequate earthing arrangements.

**Table 3C: Weighting Factor 'C'**  
**(Contents or Consequential Effects)**

<b>Contents or Consequential Effects</b>	<b>Value of 'C'</b>
Ordinary domestic or office buildings, factories and workshops not containing valuable or specially susceptible contents	0.3
Industrial and agricultural buildings with specially susceptible <sup>1)</sup> contents	0.8
Power stations, gas works, telephone exchanges, radio stations	1.0
Industrial key plants, ancient monuments and historic buildings, museums, art galleries or other buildings with specially valuable contents	1.3
Schools, hospitals, children's and other homes, places of assembly	1.7
<sup>1)</sup> This means specially valuable plant or materials vulnerable to fire or the results of fire	

**Table 3D: Weighting Factor 'D'**  
**(Degree of Isolation)**

<b>Degree of Isolation</b>	<b>Value of 'D'</b>
Structure located in a large area of structures or trees of the same or greater height, for example, in a large town or forest	0.4
Structure located in an area with few other structures or trees of similar height	1.0
Structure completely isolated or exceeding at least twice the height of surrounding structures or trees	2.0

**Table 3E: Weighting Factor 'E'**  
**(Type of Country)**

<b>Type of Country</b>	<b>Value of 'E'</b>
Flat country at any level	0.3
Hill country	1.0
Mountain country between 300 m and 900 m	1.3
Mountain country above 900 m	1.7

The effect of the value of the contents of a structure is clear the term 'consequential effect' is intended to cover not only material risks to goods and property but also such aspects as the disruption of essential services of all kinds, particularly in hospitals.

The risk to life is generally very small, but if a building is struck, fire or panic can naturally result. All possible steps should, therefore, be taken to reduce these effects, especially among children, the old, and the sick.

**5B.11.1.6** *Interpretation of Overall Risk Factor*

The risk factor method put forward here is to be taken as giving guidance on what might, in some cases, be a difficult problem. If the result obtained is considerably less than  $10^{-5}$  (1 in 100 000) then, in the absence of other overriding considerations, protection does not appear necessary; if the result is greater than  $10^{-5}$ , say for example  $10^{-4}$  (1 in 10 000) then sound reasons would be needed to support a decision not to give protection.

When it is thought that the consequential effects will be small and that the effect of a lightning stroke will most probably be merely slight damage to the fabric of the structure, it may be economic not to incur the cost of protection but to accept the risk. Even though, this decision is made, it is suggested that the calculation is still worthwhile as giving some idea of the magnitude of the calculated risk being taken.

**5B.11.1.7** *Anomalies*

Structures are so varied that any method of assessment may lead to anomalies and those who have to decide on protection must exercise judgement. For example, a steel-framed building may be found to have a low risk factor but, as the addition of an air termination and earthing system will give greatly improved protection, the cost of providing this may be considered worthwhile.

A low risk factor may result for chimneys made of brick or concrete. However, where chimneys are free standing or where they project for more than 4.5 m above the adjoining structure, they will require protection regardless of the factor. Such chimneys are, therefore, not covered by the method of assessment. Similarly, structures containing explosives or flammable substances are also not covered.

Results of calculations for different structures are given in **Table 4** and a specific case is worked through in **5B.11.1.8**.

**5B.11.1.8** *Sample Calculation of Need for Protection*

A hospital building is 10 m high and covers an area of 70 m x 12 m. The hospital is located in flat country and isolated from other structures. The construction is of brick and concrete with a non-metallic roof. Is lightning protection needed?

a) *Flashes/km<sup>2</sup>/year* — Let us say, for the protection of the hospital a value for  $N_g$  is 0.7.

b) *Collection area*— Using equation (1) in **5B.11.1.2**:

$$\begin{aligned} A_c &= (70 \times 12) + 2(70 \times 10) + 2(12 \times 10) + (\pi \times 100) \\ &= 840 + 1\,400 + 240 + 314 \\ &= 2\,794 \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

c) *Probability of being struck*— Using equation (2) in **5B.11.1.2**:

$$\begin{aligned} P &= A_c \times N_g \times 10^{-6} \text{ times per year} \\ &= 2\,794 \times 0.7 \times 10^{-6} \\ &= 2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ approximately} \end{aligned}$$

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**Table 4: Examples of Calculations for Evaluating the Need for Protection**

(Clauses 5B.11.1.4 and 5B11.1.7)

SI No.	Description of Structure	Risk of Being Struck(p)			Weighting Factors					Overall Multi-Playing Factor (Product Of Cols 6-10)	Overall Risk Factor (Product Of Cols 5 and 11)	Recommendation.
		Collection Area $A_c$	Flash Density $N_g$	P $A_c \times N_g \times 10^{-6}$	'A' Use of Structure (Table 3A)	'B' Type of Const (Table 3B)	'C' Contents or Consequen tial Effects (Table 3C)	'D' Degree of Isolation (Table 3D)	'E' Type of Country (Table 3E)			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
i)	Malsonette, reinforced concrete and brick built non-metallic roof	3 327	0.6	$2 \times 10^{-3}$	1.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.02	$4 \times 10^{-5}$	Protection required
ii)	Office building reinforced concrete construction, non-metallic roof	4 296	0.6	$2.6 \times 10^{-3}$	1.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.02	$5.2 \times 10^{-5}$	Protection required
iii)	School, brick built	1 456	0.7	$1 \times 10^{-3}$	1.7	1.0	1.7	0.4	0.3	0.3	$3 \times 10^{-4}$	Protection Required
iv)	3 bedroom detached dwelling house, brick built	405	0.4	$1.6 \times 10^{-4}$	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.01	$1.6 \times 10^{-4}$	No Protection Required
v)	Village church	5 027	0.6	$3 \times 10^{-3}$	1.3	1.0	1.7	2.0	0.3	1.3	$3.9 \times 10^{-3}$	Protection Required

NOTE — The risk of being struck, (col 5), is multiplied by the product of the weighting factors (col 6 to 10) to yield an overall risk factor (col 12). This should be compared with the acceptable risk ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$ ) for guidance on whether or not to protect.

*d) Applying the weighting factors*

$$A = 1.7$$

$$B = 1$$

$$C = 1.7$$

$$D = 2.0$$

$$E = 0.3$$

The overall multiplying factor= A x B x C x D x E

$$= 1.7$$

Therefore, the overall risk factor

$$= 2.0 \times 1.7 \times 10^{-3}$$

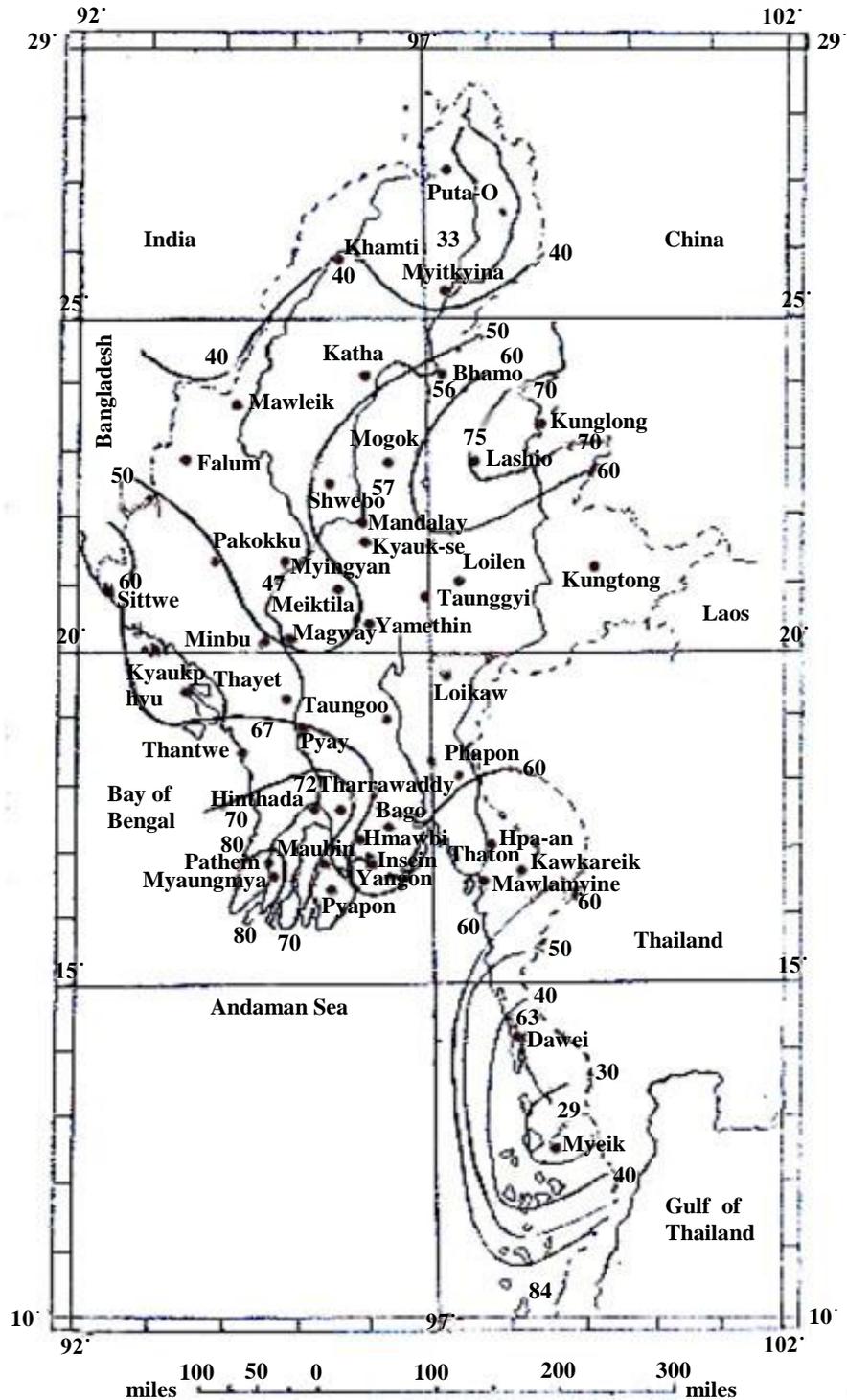
$$= 3.4 \times 10^{-3}$$

Conclusion: Protection is necessary.

**5B.11.2**For detailed requirements of lightning protection of various structures, reference may be made to Standard practice [(27) IS 2309].

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## PLACES FOR AVERAGE NUMBER OF THUNDERSTORMS DAYS IN A YEAR



Scale 1 : 5 million  
( CONTOUR MAP NEED TO BE UP-DATED )

**ANNEX A**

[Clause (2.2)]

**DRAWING SYMBOLS FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION IN BUILDING**

**A-Lighting Apparatus**

SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
1		LAMP	7		CHANDELIER LIGHT
2		FLUORESCENT LAMP, SINGLE, BARE TYPE	8		SPOT LIGHT
3		FLUORESCENT LAMP, DOUBLE, BARE TYPE	9		FLOOD LIGHT
4		DOWN LIGHT	10		BULK HEAD LAMP
5		WALL BRACKET LIGHT	11		EMERGENCY LAMP
6		LIGHTING OUTLET	12		WATER TIGHT LIGHT FITTING

**B-Fans**

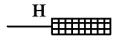
SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
1		CEILING FAN	7		TELEPHONE OUTLET
2		OSCILLATING FAN, CEILING TYPE	8		TELEVISION OUTLET
3		OSCILLATING FAN, WALL TYPE	9		DATA NETWORK OUTLET
4		EXHAUST FAN, WALL TYPE	10		AMPLIFYING EQUIPMENT
5		EXHAUST FAN, CEILING TYPE	11		SIREN
6		FAN REGULATOR	12		HORN OR HOOTER

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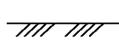
**D- Electrical Circuit Diagram**

SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
1		TRANSFORMER	18		CONNECTING LINK, open
2		AUTO TRANSFORMER	19		JUNCTION, CONNECTION POINT
3		CURRENT TRANSFORMER	20		TERMINAL
4		FUSE	21		JUNCTION OF CONDUCTOR
5		MINIRATURE CIRCUIT BREAKER	22		TERMINAL BLOCK
6		MOULDED CASE CIRCUIT BREAKER	23		CONDUCTOR
7		SWITCH (Mechanical)	24		THREE CONDUCTOR
8		CIRCUIT BREAKER	25		THREE PHASE CIRCUIT, 50Hz, 380V, Three conductors of 120mm <sup>2</sup> with neutral of 50mm <sup>2</sup>
9		DISCONNECTOR (Isolator)	26		THREE CONDUCTOR IN CABLE
10		2 WAY DISCONNECTOR (Isolator) with off position in the centre	27		CABLE SEALING END, Show with 1no 3core cable
11		SWITCH DISCONNECTOR (Onload isolating switch)	28		CABLE SEALING END, Show with 3nos one core cable
12		CONTACTOR (Contact open in the unoperated position)	29		MOTOR STARTER, General symbol
13		CONTACTOR (Contact close in the unoperated position)	30		STARTER, Operated in steps
14		FUSE SWITCH	31		STARTER, Operated with star-deta
15		FUSE DISCONNECTOR (Fuse Isolator)	32		STARTER, Operated with auto transformer
16		FUSE SWITCH DISCONNECTOR (Onload isolating fuse switch)	33		STARTER, Operated in direct on line with contactor
17		CONNECTING LINK, closed	34		STARTER, Operated with starter regulator with thyristors
35		MACHINE, General symbol *Star mark shall be replaced by a letter designation as follow C Synchronous convertor G Generator GS Synchronous generator M Motor MS Synchronous motor	41		FAULT
			42		FLASH OVER
			43		CLOCK
36		FAN	44		SIGNAL LAMP
37		HEATER	45		SWITCH, General

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SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
38		STORAGE WATER HEATER	46		SWITCH WITH PILOT LAMP
39		BELL	47		SWITCH, two pole
40		EARTH, GROUND	48		EARTH POINT

**E- Wiring and Distribution**

SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
1		GENERAL WIRING	7		WIRING GOING DOWNWARDS
2		WIRING ON SURFACE	8		WIRING GOING THROUGH
3		WIRING UNDER SURFACE	9		CIRCUIT MAIN
4		WIRING IN CONDUIT ON SURFACE	10		DISTRIBUTION BOARD
5		WIRING IN CONDUIT UNDER SURFACE (CONCEALED)	11		SUB-DISTRIBUTION BOARD
6		WIRING GOING UPWARDS	12		MAIN PANEL

**F- Lightning Protection Apparatus      G-Fire Alarm Apparatus**

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SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
1		LIGHTNING FINAL	1		SMOKE DETECTOR
2		TEST TERMINAL BOX	2		HEAT DETECTOR
			3		MANUAL OPERATED FIRE ALARM
3		EARTH FOR LIGHTNING SYSTEM	4		AUTOMATIC FIRE DETECTOR SWITCH
			5		FIRE ALARM BELL
4		CONDUCTOR	6		FIRE ALARM INDICATOR

**H- Wiring Accessories**

SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SR NO	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
1		SINGLE POLE SWITCH	10		5-10A SOCKET OUTLET
2		DOUBLE POLE SWITCH	11		5-10A SWITCHED SOCKET OUTLET
3		PULL-CORD SWITCH	12		13A SOCKET OUTLET
4		2 WAY SWITCH	13		13A SWITCHED SOCKET OUTLET
5		INTERMEDIATE SWITCH	14		15A SOCKET OUTLET
6		DIMMER SWITCH	15		15A SWITCHED SOCKET OUTLET
7		TIME SWITCH	16		5-10A INTERLOCKING SWITCHED SOCKET OUTLET
8		PUSH BUTTON	17		13A INTERLOCKING SWITCHED SOCKET OUTLET
9		BELL	18		15A INTERLOCKING SWITCHED SOCKET OUTLET

**ANNEX B**

*[Clause 5B.4.2.4(b)]*

**AREA REQUIRED FOR TRANSFORMER ROOM AND SUBSTATION FOR DIFFERENT CAPACITIES**

**B-1** The requirement for area for transformer room and substation for different capacities of transformers is given below for guidance:

Sl No	Capacity of Transformer(s) KVA	Total Transformer Room Area Minimum, m <sup>2</sup>	Total Substation Area ( In Coming, HV, MV Panels, Transformer Room but Without Generators), Minimum, m <sup>2</sup>	Suggested Minimum Face Width , m
i)	1 x 160	14.0	90	9.0
ii)	2 x 160	28.0	118	13.5
iii)	1 x 250	15.0	91	9.0
iv)	2 x 250	30.0	121	13.5
v)	1 x 400	16.5	93	9.0
vi)	2 x 400	33.0	125	13.5
vii)	3 x 400	49.5	167	18.0
viii)	2 x 500	36.0	130	14.5
ix)	3 x 500	54.0	172	19.0
x)	2 x 630	36.0	132	14.5
xi)	3 x 630	54.0	176	19.0
xii)	2 x 800	39.0	135	14.5
xiii)	3 x 800	58.0	181	14.0
xiv)	2 x 1000	39.0	149	14.5
xv)	3 x 1000	58.0	197	19.0

NOTES

1 The above dimensions are overall area required for substation excluding generating set.

2 The clear height required for substation equipment shall be minimum of 3.0 m below the soffit of the beam.

## ANNEX C

*[Clause 5B.4.2.4(i)]***ADDITIONAL AREA REQUIRED FOR GENERATOR IN ELECTRIC SUBSTATION**

**C-I** The requirement of additional area for generator in electric substation for different capacities of generators is given below for guidance:

Sr. No	Capacity KW	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Clear Height below the soffit of the Beam m
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
i)	25	56	3.6
ii)	48	56	3.6
iii)	100	65	3.6
iv)	150	72	4.6
v)	248	100	4.6
vi)	350	100	4.6
vii)	480	100	4.6
viii)	600	110	4.6
ix)	800	120	4.6
x)	1000	120	4.6
xi)	1250	120	4.6
xii)	1600	150	4.6

NOTE — The area and height required for generating set room given in the above table are for general guidance only and may be finally fixed according to actual requirements.

**ANNEX D**

**(Clause 5B. 9.3.2.6)**

**FORM OF COMPLETION CERTIFICATE**

I/We certify that the installation detailed below has been installed by me/us and tested and that to the best of my/our knowledge and belief, it complies with *MYANMAR Electricity Rules*,

Electrical Installation at -----  
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Voltage and system of supply

Particulars of Works:

a) Internal Electrical Installation

No.	Total Load	Type of system of wiring
i) Light point		
ii) Fan point		
iii) Plug point		
3-pin 6 A		
3-pin 16 A		

b) Others Description                      hp/kW                      Type of starting

1) Motors:

- i)
- ii)
- iii)

2) Other plants:

c) If the work involves installations of over head line and/or underground cable

- 1) i) Type and description of over headline.
- ii) Total length and number of spans.
- iii) No. of street lights and its description.
- 2) i) Total length of underground cable and its size:
- ii) No. of joints:
  - End joint:
  - Tee joint:
  - Straight through joint:

Earthing:

- i) Description of earthing electrode
- ii) No. of earth electrodes
- iii) Size of main earth lead

Test Results:

a) Insulation Resistance

- i) Insulation resistance of the whole system of conductors to earth-----Megaohms.
- ii) Insulation resistance between the phase conductor and neutral
 

Between phase R and neutral	.....	Megaohms.
Between phase Y and neutral	.....	Megaohms.
Between phase B and neutral	.....	Megaohms.
- iii) Insulation resistance between the phase conductors in case of polyphase supply.
 

Between phase R and phase Y	.....	Megaohms
Between phase Y and phase B	.....	Megaohms

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Between phase B and phase R ..... Megaohms

b) Polarity test:

Polarity of non-linked single pole branch switches

c) Earth continuity test:

Maximum resistance between any point in the earth continuity conductor including metal conduits and main earthing lead----- Ohms.

d) Earth electrode resistance:

Resistance of each earth electrode.

i) ..... Ohms.

ii) ..... Ohms.

iii) ..... Ohms.

iv) ..... Ohms.

e) Lightning protective system.

Resistance of the whole of lightning protective system to earth before any bonding is effected with earth electrode and metal in/on the structure .....Ohms.

Signature of Supervisor

Name and Address

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Signature of Contractor

Name and Address

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**LIST OF STANDARD**

The following list records those standards which are acceptable standards 'in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Code. The latest version of a standard shall be adopted at the time of the enforcement of the Code. The standards listed may be used by the Authority as a guide in conformance with the requirements of the referred clauses in the Code.

(i) Myanmar Electricity Rules.

(ii) Indian Electricity Rules 1956

<i>IS No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
(1) 8270 (Part 1):1976	Guide for preparation of diagrams ,charts and tables for electro technology: Part1 Definitions and classification
1885 (Part 16/ Sec3) 1967 (Part 17):1979	Electro technical vocabulary: Lighting, Section 3 Lamps and auxiliary apparatus
(Part 32):1993	Switchgear and control gear ( first revision)
(Part 78):1993	Electrical cables ( First Revision)
12032 (Part 6):1987	Generation , transmission and distribution of electricity General
(Part 7):1987	Graphical symbols for diagrams in the field of electro technology:
	Protection and conversion of electrical energy
	Switchgear, control gear and protective devices
(2) 7752 (Part 1):1975	Guide for improvement of power factor in consumer installation: Part 1 Low and medium supply voltages
(3) 5216 (Part 1):1982	Recommendations on safety procedures and practices in electrical work:
(Part 2):1982	General ( first revision)
	Life saving techniques (first revision)
(4) 10118 (Part 2):1982	Code of practice for selection, installation and maintenance of switchgear and control gear:
	Part 2 Selection.
(5) 1646:1997	Code of practice for fire safety of buildings ( general):Electrical installations(second revision)
(6) 732:1989	Code of practice for electrical wiring installation ( third revision)
1255:1983	Code of practice for installation and maintenance of power cables ( up to and including 33kV rating)( second revision )
(7) 13947:1993	Specification for low-voltage switchgear and control gear
(8) 2148:1981	Specification for flame-proof enclosures of electrical apparatus ( second revision)

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- (9) 5578:1985 Guide for marking of insulated conductors ( first revision)
- (10) 1777:1978 Industrial luminaire with metal reflectors (first revision)  
 2206 Flameproof electric lighting fittings:  
 (part 1):1984 Well –glass and bulkhead types ( first revision)  
 (Part 2):1976 Fittings using glass tubes  
 3287:1965 Industrial lighting fittings with plastic reflectors  
 3528:1966 Waterproof electric lighting fittings  
 3553:1966 Specification for watertight electric lighting fittings  
 4012:1967 Specification for dust-proof electric lighting fittings  
 4013:1967 Dust-tight electric lighting fittings  
 5077:1969 Decorative lighting outfits  
 10322( Part 5/ Luminares: Part 5 Particular requirements , Section 5 Flood lights  
 Sec 5): 1987
- (11) 8828:1996 Electrical accessories – Circuit – breakers for over current protection for household and similar installations ( second revision)  
 13947 Specification for low –voltage switchgear and control gear:  
 (Part 1):1993 General rules  
 (Part 2):1993 Circuit –breakers  
 (Part 3):1993 Switches , disconnectors, switch disconnectors and fuse combination units  
 (Part4/Sec1) Contactors and motor –starters, section 1 Electro-technical contactors and motor starters :1993  
 (Part5/Sec1) Control circuit devices and switching elements , section 1Electro-technical control circuit devices :1993
- (12) 3961 Recommended current ratings for cables:  
 (Part 1):1967 Paper insulated lead sheathed cables  
 (Part 2):1967 PVC insulated and PVC sheathed heavy duty cables  
 (Part 3):1968 Rubber insulated cables  
 (Part 5):1968 PVC insulated light duty cables
- (13) 2086:1993 Specification for carriers and bases used in rewirable type electric fuses for voltages up to 650 V (third revision)  
 13703 LV fuses for voltages not exceeding 1000 V ac or 1500 dc: Part 1 General requirement  
 (Part 1):1993
- (14) 2672:1966 Code of practice for library lighting

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4347:1967	Code of practice for hospital lighting
6665:1972	Code of practice for industrial lighting
8030:1976	Specification for luminaries for hospitals
(15) 732:1989	Code of practice for electrical wiring installations (third revision)
(16) 4648:1968	Guide for electrical layout in residential buildings
(17) 900:1992	Code of practice for installation and maintenance of induction motors (second revision)
(18) 2412:1975	Link clips for electrical wiring (first revision)
(19) 2667:1988	Fittings for rigid steel conduits for electrical wiring (first revision)
3419:1989	Fittings for rigid non-metallic conduits (second revision)
9537	Conduits for electrical installations:
(Part 1):1980	General requirements
(Part 2):1981	Rigid steel conduits
(Part 3):1983	Rigid plain conduits of insulating materials
14772:2000	Specification for accessories for household and similar fixed electrical installations
(20) 1913	General and safety requirements for luminaires: Part 1 Tubular fluorescent lamps (second revision)
Part 1):1978	
(21) 1258:1987	Bayonet lamp holders (third revision)
(22) 418:1978	Tungsten filament general service electric lamps (third revision)
1534	Ballast for fluorescent lamp:Part1 for switch start circuits (second revision)
(Part 1):1977	
1569:1976	Capacitors for use in tubular fluorescent high pressure mercury and low pressure sodium vapour discharge lamp circuit ( first revision)
2215:1983	Specification for starters for fluorescent lamps ( third revision)
2418	Specification for tubular fluorescent lamps for general lighting service:
(Part 1):1977	Requirements and tests (first revision)
(Part 2):1977	Standard lamp data sheets (first revision)
(Part 3):1977	Dimensions of G-5 and G-13 lc –pin caps ( first revision)
(Part 4):1977	Go and no-go gauges for G-5 and G-13 lc –pin caps ( first revision)
3323:1980	Bi-pin lampholders for tubular fluorescent lamps ( first revision)
3324:1982	Holders for starters for tubular fluorescent lamps ( first revision )
9900	Basic environmental testing procedures for electronic and electrical items:
(Part 1):1981	General

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- (Part 2):1981 Cold test
- (Part 3):1981 Dry heat test
- (Part 4):1981 Damp test ( steady state )
- (23) 374:1979 Electric ceiling type fans and regulators ( third revision)
- (24) 3043:1987 Code of practice for earthing
- (25) 8623 Specification for low-voltage switchgear and control gear assemblies:Part1Requirements for type-tested and partially type-tested assemblies ( first revision)
- Part 1):1993
- (26) 10028 Code of practice for selection, installation and maintenance of transformers: Part2 Installation
- (Part 2):1981
- 11353:1985 Guide for uniform system of marking and identification of conductors and apparatus terminals
- (27) 2309:1989 Code of practice for the protection of buildings and allied structures against lightning (second revision)

References may be made to the following publications for better applying and understanding of the requirements of the Code

- IEC 60079 Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres
- IEC 60085 Electrical insulation-Thermal classification
- IEC 60127 Miniature fuses
- IEC 60189 Low-frequency cables and wires with PVC insulation and PVC sheath
- IEC 60227 Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750V
- IEC 60228 Conductors for insulated cables
- IEC 60238 Edison screw lampholders
- IEC 60245 Rubber insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750V
- IEC 60269 Low-voltage fuse
- IEC 60309 Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes
- IEC 60364 Low-voltage electrical installations /Electrical installation of building
- IEC 60423 Conduit systems for cable management-Outside diameters of conduits for electrical installation and threads for conduits and fittings
- IEC 60439 Low-voltage switchgear and control gear assemblies
- IEC 60529 Degree of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)
- IEC 60617 Graphical symbols for diagrams

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IEC	60669	Switches for household and similar fixed electrical installations
IEC	60702	Mineral insulated cables and their terminations with a rated voltage not exceeding 750V
IEC	60755	General requirements for residual current operated protective devices
IEC	60898	Electrical accessories-Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations
IEC	60947	Low-voltage switchgear and control gear
IEC	60950	Information technology equipment-Safety
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IEC	61084	Cable trunking and ducting systems for electrical installations
IEC	61140	Protection against electric shock-Common aspects for installation and equipment
IEC	61386	Conduit system for cable management
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BS	31	Specification-steel conduit and fittings for electrical wiring
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BS	88 Part 6	Cartridge fuses for voltages up to and including 1000V a.c. and 1500V d.c Specification of supplementary requirements for fuses of compact dimensions for use in 240/415V a.c. industrial and commercial electrical installations.
BS	196	Specification for protected-type non-reversible plugs, socket-outlets, cable-couplers and appliance-couplers with earthing contacts for single-phase a.c. circuits up to 250 volts
BS	476 Part20	Fire tests on building materials and structures. Method for determination of the fire resistance of elements of construction(general principles)
BS	546	Specification-Two-pole and earthing-pin plugs, socket-outlets and socket-outlet adaptors
BS	1361	Specification for cartridge fuses for a.c. circuits in domestic and similar premises
BS	1363	13A plugs, socket-outlets, adaptors and connection units
BS	3036	Specification-Semi-enclosed electric fuses ( ratings up to 100 amperes and 240 volts to earth )
BS	3676	Switches for household and similar fixed electrical installations
BS	4444	Guide to electrical earth monitoring and protective conductor proving
BS	4568	Specification-for steel conduit and fittings with metric threads of ISO form for electrical installations
BS	4607	Non-metallic conduits and fittings for electrical installations
BS	4662	Boxes for flush mounting of electrical accessories requirements and test methods and dimensions
BS	5266	Emergency lighting
BS	5839	Fire detection and fire alarm systems for buildings
BS	6004	Electric cables.PVC insulated, non-armoured cables for voltages up to and including 450/750V, for electric power, lighting and internalwiring
BS	6007	Electric cables. Single core unsheathed heat resisting cables for voltage up to and including 450/750 V for internal wiring
BS	6231	Electrical cables. Single core PVC insulated flexible cables for rated voltage 600/1000 V for switchgear and control gear wiring
BS	6346	Electric cables.PVC insulated, armoured cables for voltage of

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		600/1000V and 1900/3300V
BS	6387	Specification for performance requirements for cables required to maintain circuit integrity under fire conditions
BS	6500	Electric cables, Flexible cords rated up to 300/500V, for use with appliances and equipment intended for domestic, office and similar environments
BS	6701	Telecommunications equipment and telecommunications cabling. Specification for installation, operation and maintenance
BS	6724	Electric cables, Thermosetting insulated, armoured cables for voltages of 600/1000 V and 1900/3300V, having low emission of smoke and corrosive gases when affected by fire
BS	7211	Electric cables. Thermosetting insulated, nonarmoured cables for voltages up to and including 450/750V, for electric power, lighting and internal wiring, and having low emission of smoke and corrosive gases when affected by fire
BS	7629	Specification for 300/500V fire resistant electric cables having low emission of smoke and corrosive gases when affected by fire
BS	7671	Requirements for electrical installations. IEE Wiring Regulations. Seventeenth Edition
BS	7919	Electric cable. Flexible cables rated up to 450/750V, for use with appliances and equipment intended for industrial and similar environments.
AS/NZS	1768	Lightning protection
NFPA	780	Standard for the installation of lightning protection systems

References may be made to the following publications for the common personal protective equipment and tools used for electrical work.

BS EN	60900	Live working – Hand tools for use up to 1000V a.c. and 1500 V d.c
BS EN	60903	Live working – Gloves of insulating material
BS IEC	ISO 20345	Personal protective equipment – Safety footwear
BS IEC	61111	Matting of insulating material for electrical purposes
BS EN	61112	Blankets of insulating material for electrical purposes
ASTM	F1506	Standard performance specification for flame resistant textile materials for wearing apparel for use by electrical workers exposed to momentary electric arc and related thermal hazards

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**5C.1 SCOPE**

**5C.1.1** This Section covers the essential requirements for the installation, operation and maintenance and also inspection of lifts (passenger lifts, goods lifts, hospital lifts, service lifts and dumb waiters) and escalators so as to ensure safe and satisfactory performance.

**5C.1.2** This Section gives information that should be exchanged among the architect, the consulting engineer and the lift / escalator manufacturer from the stage of planning to installation including maintenance.

**5C.2 TERMINOLOGY**

For the purpose of this Section, the following definitions shall apply.

**5C.2.1** A lift ( Elevator ) , is a Type of vertical transport equipment that efficiently moves people or goods between floor of a building , vessel or other structures .

**5C.2.1.1 Automatic Rescue Device** – A device meant to bring a lift stuck between floors due to loss of power, to the nearest level and open the doors in order to allow trapped passengers to be evacuated. Such a device may use some form of internal auxiliary power source for such purpose, complying with all the safety requirements of a lift during normal run. The speed of travel is usually lower than the normal speed. In the case of manual doors on reaching the level, the device shall allow the door to be opened and in case of power operated doors the device shall automatically open the door.

**5C.2.1.2 Bottom Car Runby** – The distance between the car buffer striker plate and the striking surface of the car buffer when the car is in level with the bottom terminal landing.

**5C.2.1.3 Bottom Counterweight Runby** – The distance between the counter weight buffer striker plate and the striking surface of the counterweight buffer when the car is in level with the top terminal landing.

**5C.2.1.4 Buffer** – A device designed to stop a descending car or counter weight beyond its normal limit of travel by storing or by absorbing and dissipating the kinetic energy of the car or counterweight.

**5C.2.1.5 Oil Buffer** – A buffer using oil as a medium which absorbs and dissipates the kinetic energy of the descending car or counterweight.

**5C.2.1.6 Oil buffer stroke** – The oil displacing movement of the buffer plunger or piston, excluding the travel of the buffer plunger accelerating device.

**5C.2.1.7 Spring Buffer** – A buffer which stores in a spring the kinetic energy of the descending car or counterweight.

**5C.2.1.8 Spring buffer load rating** – The load required to compress the spring by an amount equal to its stroke.

**5C.2.1.9 Spring buffer stroke** – The distance, the contact end of the spring can move under a compressive load until the spring is compressed solid.

**5C.2.1.10 Call Indicator** – A visual and audible device in the car to indicate to the attendant the lift landings from which calls have been made.

**5C.2.1.11 Car Bodywork** – The enclosing bodywork of the lift car which comprises the sides and roof and is built upon the car platform.

**5C.2.1.12 Car Door Electric Contact** – An electric device, the function of which is to prevent operation of the driving machine by the normal operating device unless the car door is in the closed position.

**5C.2.1.13 Car Frame** – The supporting frame or sling to which the platform of the lift car, its safety gear, guide shoes and suspension ropes are attached.

**5C.2.1.14 Car Platform** – The part of the lift car which forms the floor and directly supports the load.

**5C.2.1.15 Bottom Car Clearance** – The clear vertical distance from the pit floor to the lowest structural or mechanical part, equipment or device installed beneath the car platform aprons or guards located within 300mm, measured horizontally from the sides of the car platform when the car rests on its fully compressed buffers.

**5C.2.1.16 Top Car Clearance** – The shortest vertical distance between the top of the car crosshead, or between the top of the car where no crosshead is provided, and the nearest part of the overhead structure or any other obstruction when the car floor is level with the top terminal landing.

**5C.2.1.17 Top Counterweight Clearance** – The shortest vertical distance between any part of the counterweight structure and the nearest part of the overhead structure or any other obstruction when the car floor is level with the bottom terminal landing.

**5C.2.1.18 Control** – The system governing starting, stopping direction of motion, acceleration, speed and retardation of moving member.

**5C.2.1.19 Single-Speed Alternating Current Control** – A control for a driving machine induction motor which is arranged to run at a single-speed.

**5C.2.1.20 Two-speed Alternating Current Control** – A control for a two-speed driving machine induction motor which is arranged to run at two different synchronous speeds either by pole changing of a single motor or by two different armatures.

**5C.2.1.21 Rheostatic Control** – A system of control which is accomplished by varying resistance or reactance or both in the armature or field circuit or both of the driving machine motor.

**5C.2.1.22 Variable Voltage Motor Control (Generator Field Control)** – A system of control which is accomplished by the use of an individual generator for each lift wherein the voltage applied to the driving machine motor is adjusted by varying the strength and direction of the generator field.

**5C.2.1.23 Electronic Devices** – A system of control which is accomplished by the use of electronic devices for driving the lift motor at variable speed.

**5C.2.1.24 Alternating Current Variable Voltage (ACVV) Control** – A system of speed control which is accomplished by varying the driving and braking torque by way of voltage variation of the power supply to the driving machine induction motor.

**5C.2.1.25 Alternating Current Variable Voltage Variable Frequency (ACVVVF) Control** – A system of speed control which is accomplished by varying the voltage and frequency of the power supply to the driving machine induction motor.

**5C.2.1.26 Solid-State d.c, Variable Voltage Control** – A solid state system of speed control which is accomplished by varying the voltage and direction of the power supply to the armature of driving machine d.c motor.

**5C.2.1.27 Counterweight** – A weight or series of weights to counter-balance the weight of the lift car and part of the rated load.

**5C.2.1.28 Deflector Sheave** – An idler pulley used to change the direction of a rope lead.

**5C.2.1.29 Door, Centre, Opening Sliding** – A door which slides horizontally and consists of two or more panels which open from the centre and are usually so interconnected that they move simultaneously.

**5C.2.1.30 Door, Mid-Bar Collapsible** – A collapsible door with vertical bars mounted between the normal vertical members.

**5C.2.1.31 Door, Multipanel** – A door arrangement whereby more than one panel is used such that the panels are connected together and can slide over one another by which means the clear opening can be maximized for a given shaft width. Multipanels are used in centre opening and two sliding doors.

**5C.2.1.32 Door, Single Slide** – A single panel door which slides horizontally.

**5C.2.1.33 Door, Two Speed Sliding** – A door which slides horizontally and consists of two or more panels, one of which moves at twice the speed of the other.

**5C.2.1.34 Door, Vertical Bi-parting** – A door which slides vertically and consists of two panels or sets of panels that move away from each other to open and are so interconnected that they move simultaneously.

**5C.2.1.35 Door, Vertical Lifting** – A single panel door, which slides in the same plane vertically up to open.

**5C.2.1.36 Door, Swing** – A swinging type single panel door which is opened manually and closed by means of a door closer when released.

**5C.2.1.37 Door Closer** – A device which automatically closes a manually opened door.

**5C.2.1.38 Door Operator** – A power-operated device for opening and closing doors.

**5C.2.1.39 Dumb Waiters** – A lift with a car which moves in guides in a vertical direction; has a net floor area of 1sqm meter, total inside height of 1.2 meter, whether or not provided with fixed or removable shelves; has a capacity not exceeding 250kg and is exclusively used for carrying materials and shall not carry any person.

**5C.2.1.40 Electrical and Mechanical Interlock** – A device provided to prevent simultaneous operation of both up and down relays.

**5C.2.1.41 Electro – Mechanical Lock** – A device which combines in one unit, electrical contact and a mechanical lock jointly used for the landing and /or car doors.

**5C.2.1.42 Emergency Stop Push or Switch** – A push button or switch provided inside the car designed to open the control circuit to cause the lift car to stop during emergency.

**5C.2.1.43 Gearless Machine** – A lift machine in which the motive power is transmitted to the driving sheave from the motor without intermediate reduction gearing and has the brake drum mounted directly on the motor shaft.

**5C.2.1.44 Goods Lift** – A lift designed primarily for the transport of goods, but which may carry a lift attendant or other person necessary for the loading or unloading of goods.

**5C.2.1.45 Guide Rails** – The members used to guide the movement of a lift car or counterweight in a vertical direction.

**5C.2.1.46 Guide Rails Fixing** – The complete assy comprising the guide rails bracket and its fastenings.

**5C.2.1.47 Guide Rails Shoe** – An attachment to the car frame or counterweight for the purpose of guiding the lift car or counterweight frame.

**5C.2.1.48 Hoisting Beam** – A beam, mounted immediately below the machine room ceiling, to which lifting tackle can be fixed for raising or lowering parts of the lift machine.

**5C.2.1.49 Hospital lift** – A lift normally installed in a hospital/dispensary clinic and designed to accommodate one number bed / stretcher along its depth, with sufficient space around to carry a minimum of three attendants in addition to the lift operator.

**5C.2.1.50 Landing Call Push** – A push button fitted at a lift landing, either for calling the lift car, or for actuating the call indicator.

**5C.2.1.51 Landing Door** – The hinged or sliding portion of a lift well enclosure, controlling access to a lift car at a lift landing.

**5C.2.1.52 Landing Zone** – A space extending from a horizontal plane 400 mm below a landing to a plane 400 mm above the landing.

**5C.2.1.53 Levelling Device, Lift Car** – Any mechanism which either automatically or under the control of the operator, moves the car within the Levelling zone towards the landing only, and automatically stops it at the landing.

**5C.2.1.54 Levelling Device, One Way Automatic** – A device which corrects the car level only in case of under run of the car but will not maintain the level during loading and unloading.

**5C.2.1.55 Levelling Device, Two Way Automatic Maintaining** – A device which corrects the car level on both under run and over-run and maintains the level during loading and unloading.

**5C.2.1.56 Levelling Device, Two Way Automatic Non-Maintaining** – A device which corrects the car level on both under run and over run but will not maintain the level during loading and unloading.

**5C.2.1.57 Levelling Zone** – The limited distance above or below a lift landing within which the Levelling device may cause movement of the car towards the landing.

**5C.2.1.58 Lift** – An appliance designed to transport persons or materials between two or more levels in a vertical or substantially vertical direction by means of a guided car or platform. The word 'elevator' is also synonymously used for 'lift'.

**5C.2.1.59 Lift Car** – The load carrying unit with its floor or platform, car frame and enclosing body work.

**5C.2.1.60 Lift Landing** - That portion of building or structure used for discharge of passengers or goods or both into or from a lift car.

**5C.2.1.61 Lift Machine** – The part of the lift equipment comprising the motor and the control gear therewith, reduction gear (if any), brake(s) and winding drum or sheave, by which the lift car is raised or lowered.

**5C.2.1.62 Lift Pit** – The space in the lift well below the level of the lowest lift landing served.

**5C.2.1.63 Lift Well** – The unobstructed space within an enclosure provided for the vertical movement of the lift car(s) and any counterweight(s), including the lift pit and the space for top clearance.

**5C.2.1.64 Lift Well Enclosure** – Any structure which separates the lift well from its surroundings.

**5C.2.1.65 Operation** – The method of actuating the control of lift machine.

## **5C.2.2 Operation**

**5C.2.2.1 Automatic Operation** – A method of operation in which by a momentary pressure of a button the lift car is set in motion and caused to stop automatically at any required lift landing.

**5C.2.2.2 Non-Selective Collective Automatic Operation** – Automatic operation by means of one button in the car for each landing level served and one button at each landing, wherein all stops registered by the momentary actuation of landing or car buttons are made irrespective of the number of buttons actuated or of the sequence in which the buttons are actuated. With this type of operation, the car stops at all landings for which buttons have been actuated making the stops in the order in which the landings are reached after the buttons have been actuated but irrespective of its direction of travel.

**5C.2.2.3 Selective Collective Automatic Operation** – Automatic operation by means of one button in the car for each landing level served and by up and down buttons at the landings, wherein all stops registered by the momentary actuation of the car made as defined under non-selective collective automatic operation, but wherein the stops registered by the momentary actuation of the landing buttons are made in the order in which the landings are reached in each direction of travel after the buttons have been actuated. With this type of operation, all 'up' landing calls are answered when the car is travelling in the up direction and all 'down' landing calls are answered when the car is travelling in the down direction, except in the case of the uppermost or lowermost calls which are answered as soon as they are reached irrespective of the direction of travel of the car.

**5C.2.2.4 Single Automatic Operation** – Automatic operation by means of one button in the car for each landing level served and one button at each landing so arranged that if any car or landing button has been actuated, the actuation of any other car or landing operation button will have no effect on the movement of the car until the response to the first button has been completed.

**5C.2.2.5 Group Automatic Operation** – Automatic operation of two or more non-attendant lifts equipped with power-operated car and landing doors. The operation of the car is co-ordinated by a supervisory operation system including automatic dispatching means whereby selected car at designated dispatching points automatically close their doors and proceed on their trips in a regulated manner.

Typically, it includes one button in each car for each floor served and up and down buttons at each landing (single button at terminal landings). The stops set up by the momentary actuation of the car buttons are made automatically in succession as a car reaches the corresponding landings irrespective of its directions of travel or the sequence in which the buttons are actuated. The stops set up by the momentary actuation of the landing buttons may be accomplished by any lift in the group, and are made automatically by the first available car that approaches the landing in the corresponding direction.

**5C.2.2.6 Car Switch Operation** – Method of operation by which the movement of lift car is directly under the operation of the attendant by means of a handle.

**5C.2.2.7 Signal Operation** – Same as collective operation, except that the closing of the door is initiated by the attendant.

**5C.2.2.8 Double Button (Continuous Pressure) Operation** – Operation by means of buttons or switches in the car and the landings any of which may be used to control the movement of the car as long as the button or switch is manually pressed in the actuating position.

**5C.2.2.9 Operating Device** – A car switch, push button or other device employed to actuate the control.

### **5C.2.3 Others:**

**5C.2.3.1 Overhead Beams** – The members, usually of steel, which immediately support the lift equipment at the top of the lift well.

**5C.2.3.2 Over Speed Governor** – An automatic device which brings the lift car and /or counter weight to rest by operating the safety gear in the event of the speed in a descending direction exceeding a predetermined limit.

**5C.2.3.3 Passenger Lift** – A lift designed for the transport of passengers.

**5C.2.3.4 Position and/or Direction Indicator** – A device which indicates on the lift landing or in the lift car or both, the position of the car in the lift well or the direction or both in which the lift car is travelling.

**5C.2.3.5 Rated Load (Lift)** – The maximum load for which the lift car is designed and installed to carry safely at its rated speed.

**5C.2.3.6 Rated Load (Escalator)** – The load which the escalator is designed and installed to lift at the rated speed.

**5C.2.3.7 Rated Speed (Lift)** – The mean of the maximum speed attained by the lift car in the upward and downward direction with rated load in the lift car.

**5C.2.3.8 Retiring Cam** – A device which prevents the landing doors from being unlocked by the lift car unless it stops at a landing.

**5C.2.3.9 Roping Multiple** – A system of roping where, in order to obtain a multiplying the factor from the machine to the car, multiple falls of rope are run around sheave on the car or counterweight or both. It includes roping arrangement of 2 to 1.3 to 1 etc.

**5C.2.3.10 Safety Gear** – A mechanical device attached to the lift car or counterweight or both, designed to stop and to hold the car or counterweight to the guides in the event of free fall, or, if governor operated, of over-speed in the descending direction. Any anticipated impact force shall be added in the general drawing or layout drawing.

**5C.2.3.11 Service Lift** – A passenger cum goods lift meant to carry goods along with people.

Typically in an office building this may be required to carry food or stationeries, in a residential building to carry a bureau or accommodate a stretcher and in a hotel to be used for food trolleys or baggage. There is a need in such lifts, to take care of the dimensions of the car and the door clear opening in line with the type of goods that may have to be carried based on mutual discussion between supplier and customer. Also, such lifts shall have buffer railings in the car at suitable height to prevent damage to the car panels when the goods are transported. Typically such lifts, if provided with an automatic door, may use some means to detect trolleys and stretcher movement in advance to protect the door against damage. The car floor load calculations and car area of such a lift is as in the case of a passenger lift except that these are not meant to carry heavy concentrated loads.

**5C.2.3.12 Sheave** – A rope wheel, the rim of which is grooved to receive the suspension ropes but to which the ropes are not rigidly attached and by means of which power is transmitted from the lift machine to the suspension ropes.

**5C.2.3.13 Slack Rope Switch** – Switch provided to open the control circuit in case of slackening of rope(s).

**5C.2.3.14 Suspension Ropes** – The ropes by which the car and counter weight are suspended.

**5C.2.3.15 Terminal Slow Down Switch** – A switch when actuated shall compulsorily cut off the high speed and switch on the circuitry to run the lift in Levelling speed before reaching on terminal landings.

**5C.2.3.16 Terminal Stopping Switch Normal** – Switch for cutting all the energizing current in case of car travelling beyond the top bottom landing or a switch cuts off the energizing current so as to bring the car to stop at the top and bottom level.

**5C.2.3.17 Terminal Stopping Device Final** – A device which automatically cause the power to be removed from an electric lift driving machine motor and brake, independent of the functioning of the normal terminal stopping device, the operating device or any emergency terminal stopping device, after the car has passed a terminal landing.

**5C.2.3.18 Total Headroom** – The vertical distance from the level of the top lift landing to the bottom of the machine room slab.

**5C.2.3.19 Travel** – The vertical distance between the bottom and top lift landing served.

**5C.2.3.20 Geared Machine** – A machine in which the power is transmitted to the sheave through worm or worm and spur reduction gearing.

### 5C.3 GENERAL

**5C.3.1** The appropriate aspect of lift and escalator installation shall be discussed during the preliminary planning of the building with all the concerned parties, namely, client, architect, consulting engineer and/or lift/escalator manufacturer. This enables the lift/escalator manufacturer to furnish the architect and/or consulting engineer with the proposed layout on vice-versa.

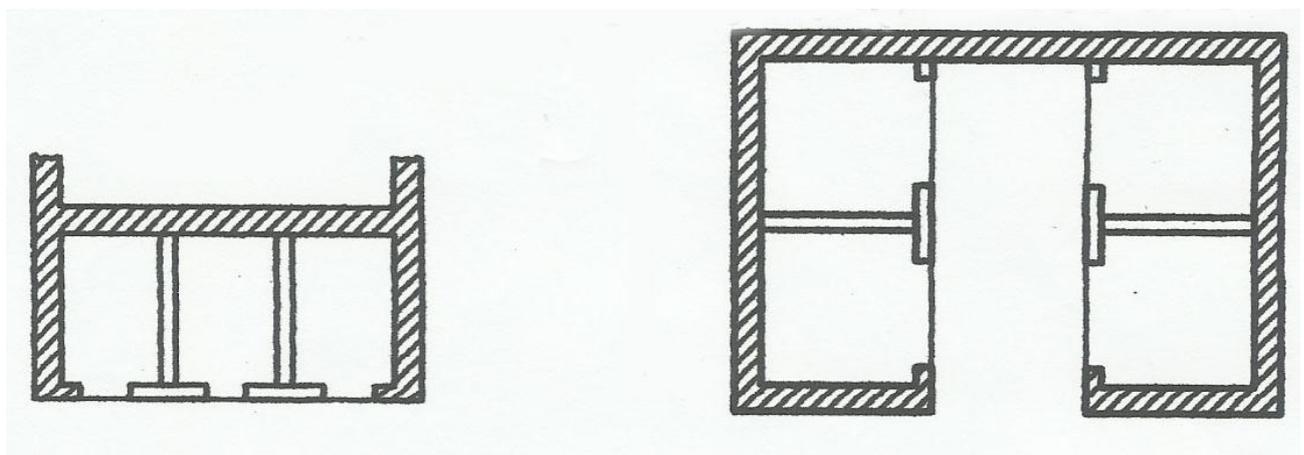
#### 5C.3.2 Exchange of Information

**5C.3.2.1** If the proposed installation is within the scope of 6, the guidelines laid down together with Fig.1 will enable the preliminary scheme for the installation to be established.

Figure 1 shows only some of the typical arrangements and variations are possible with respect to number of lifts and the layout.

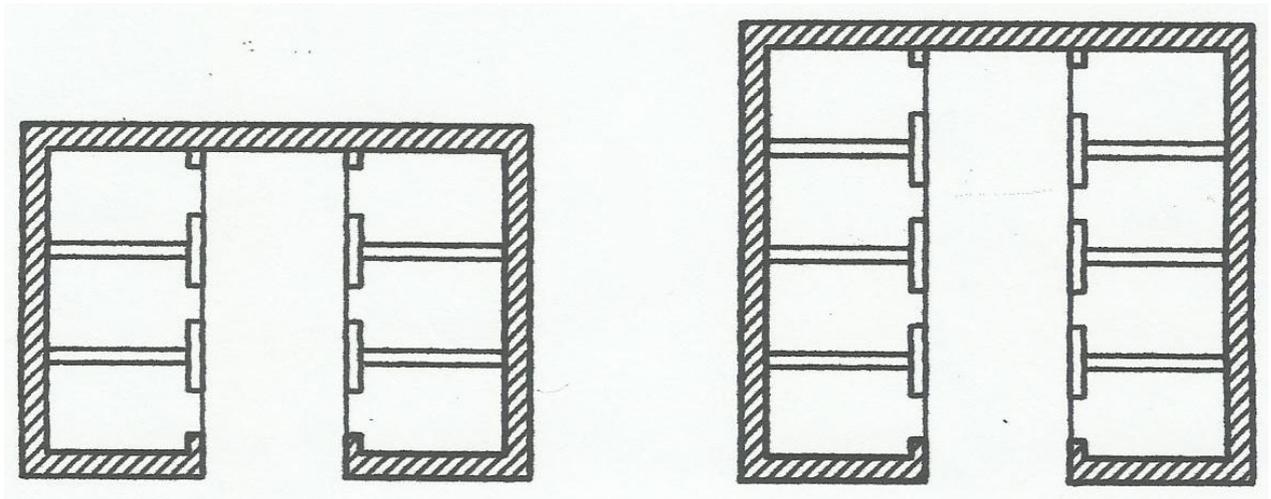
Although the recommended outline for the various classes of lifts given in 6 enables the general planning details to be determined by the architect, these should be finally settled at the earliest possible stage by detailed investigation with the purchaser's representative reaching agreement with the lift maker where necessary before an order is finally placed. This will enable a check to be made and information to be exchanged on such vital matters as:

- a) Capacity, speed the number, and disposition of the lifts necessary to give adequate lift service in the proposed building.
- b) The provision of adequate access to the machine room.
- c) The loads which the lift will impose on the building structure, and the holes to be left in the machine room floor and cut-outs for wall boxes for push-buttons and signals.
- a) The necessity for and type of insulation to minimize the transmission of vibration and noise to other parts of the building.



**1A STRAIGHT LINE  
ARRANGEMENT FOR THREE LIFTS**

**1B ALCOVE ARRANGEMENT FOR  
FOUR LIFTS**



1C ARRANGEMENT FOR SIX LIFTS

1D ARRANGEMENT FOR EIGHT LIFTS

Fig -1 ARRANGEMENT OF LIFTS

- e) The special requirements of local authorities and other requirements set out in the 'planning permit'.
- f) The need for the builder to maintain accuracy of building as to dimensions and in plumb.
- g) The periods of time required for preparation and approval of relevant drawings for manufacturing and the installation of the lift equipment.
- h) The requirements for fixing guide brackets to the building structure; and brackets spacing is not more than 2500 mm.
- i) The time at which electric power will be required before completion to allow for testing.
- j) Lift well shall be adequately ventilated at the top of the shaft to the external air by means of one or more permanent openings having a total unobstructed area of at least 1% of the horizontal section of the well and not less than 0.1 m<sup>2</sup> for each lift in the shaft.
- k) Where the depth of a pit, measured from the lower terminal landing exceeds 1000 mm and where no other means of access exists, a ladder shall be fixed permanently within reach of the lower terminal landing door. The pit ladder or the handholds for the pit ladder shall extend up to 1500 mm above the bottom terminal floor to enable safe descent into the pit. Where more than one lift is operating in the same pit, pit ladder shall be installed for every lift.
- l) Pits shall be waterproofed before installation of the lift equipment by the use of tanking, membranes or other positive means and where required, shall have a covered sump located therein. The sump cover shall be a non-slip type and shall be not easily displaced. The sump shall not be connected to any closed drainage system; but may be connected into an open-ended drain below the sump level so that it cannot be flooded.
- m) Where pumps are required, they shall be installed outside the lift well. Pump shall be effectively partitioned from the lift well and separate access for maintenance. The level of any external sump shall be such that water cannot flow back into the lift well. Drains shall not run into pits.
- n) The requirements for electrical supply feeders, etc.
- o) The requirements for scaffolding in the lift well and protection of the lift well prior to and during installation of equipment and

- p) Delivery and storage of equipment.

#### **5C.3.2.2 Information to be Provided by Architect or Engineer**

As a result of preliminary discussion the drawings of the building should give the following particulars and finished sizes;

- a) Number, type and size of lifts and position of lift well
- b) Particulars of lift well enclosure
- c) Size, position, number and type of landing doors
- d) Number of floors served by the lift
- e) Height between floor levels
- f) Number of entrances
- g) Total headroom
- h) Provision of access to machine room
- i) Provision of ventilation and, if possible, natural lighting of machine room
- j) Height of machine room; not less than 2100 mm
- k) Depth of lift pit
- l) Position of lift machine, above or below lift well
- m) Size and position of any trimmer joists or stanchions adjacent to the lift well at each floor
- n) Size and position of supporting steel work at roof levels
- o) Size and position of any footings or grillage foundations, if these are adjacent to the lift pit and
- p) In the case of passenger lifts whether the lift cage is required to carry household luggage, such as refrigerator, steel almirah, etc.

**5C.3.2.2.1** The lift lobby should be designed appropriately since this has bearing on the traffic handling especially when more number of lifts are involved. In a dual line arrangement (lifts opposite to each other) the lobby can be between 1.5 times to 2.5 times the depth of one car. Typically the more the number of lifts the bigger the multiple to be used. As an example a quadruplex may use 1.5 to 2 times whereas an octoplex will need 2 to 2.5 times. For in line (single line) arrangements, the lobby can be typically half of the above recommendations.

It is preferable that the lift lobby is not used as a thoroughfare but in such cases the lift corridor shall take into account space for people who are moving.

**5C.3.2.2.2** The architect/engineer should advise the lift manufacturer, if the Authority has any special requirements regarding lifts in buildings in the administrative area concerned.

**5C.3.2.2.3** The architect/engineer should inform the lift/escalator manufacturer of the dates when the erection of the lift/escalator may be commenced and is to be completed so that sufficient time is allowed for the manufacture and erection of the lift/escalator.

**5C.3.2.2.4** When submitting application for a building permit to the local Authority, the building plans shall include the details of lifts (number of lifts duly numbered, location, type, type of doors, passenger capacity and speed).

### **5C.3.2.3 Working Drawings to be Prepared by the lift/Escalator Manufacturer**

The lift/escalator manufacturer requires sufficient information for the preparation of working drawings and is usually obtained from architect's drawings supplemented by any information obtained from the site and by collaboration with the other contractors.

**5C.3.2.3.1** Working drawings showing the layout of lift/escalator duly numbered, details of builders works, for example, holes in walls for guide fixing, holes in machine room floor for ropes and conduits, recesses for landing sills, supports for lift/escalator machine and loads imposed on the building should be submitted by the lift/escalator manufacturer to the architect/engineer for written approval.

### **5C.3.3 Electrical Requirement**

For information of the electrical engineer, the lift/escalator a manufacturer should advise the architect/engineer of his electrical requirements. This information should be available early in planning stage so that the electrical supply requirements of the lift(s)/escalator(s) may be included in the electrical provisions of the buildings and that suitable cables and switchgear may be provided.

**5C.3.4** The requirements given under 4 to 13 deal with installation of lifts and 14 deal with the installation of escalators.

## **5C.4 ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS**

### **5C.4.1 Conformity with Lift/ Escalator Rule and Regulation**

The installation shall be generally carried out in conformity with Myanmar Electricity (Lift/ Escalator) Rule and Regulation there under, wherever they are in force.

**5C.4.1.1** It is the responsibility of the owner of the premises where the lift/escalator will be installed, to obtain necessary permission from the Authority before and after the erection of lift/ escalator and for subsequent operation of lift/ escalator.

### **5C.4.2 Conformity with Myanmar Electricity Rule and Regulation**

All electrical work in connection with installation of electric lift/escalator shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Myanmar Electricity (lift/escalator) Rule – 1985 and the provisions framed there under as amended from time to time, and shall also comply with the other provisions of Part 5 A&B 'Buildings Service, Electrical and Allied Installations'. MNBC 2012 or Latest version.

### **5C.4.3 Conformity with Myanmar Standards**

**5C.4.3.1** The materials shall be approved by the competent authority. For detailed specification for lift/escalator, reference shall be made to accepted standard as according to CP 2 2009 & EN-81-1- 1998 or latest version and EN-115-1:2008 or latest version.

### **5C.4.4 Conformity with Fire Regulations**

**5C.4.4.1** The installation shall be carried out in conformity with 'Myanmar Fire Safety code of practices' and local fire regulations and rules there under wherever they are in force.

### **5C.4.5 Factor of Safety**

The minimum factor of safety for any part of the lift shall not be less than five. Higher factor of safety for various parts shall be applicable in accordance with CP 2 2009, EN – 81 – 1 – 1998, Myanmar Electricity Rule & Regulation 1985.

### **5C.4.6 Additional Requirements for Passenger and Goods Lifts**

#### **5C.4.6.1 Bottom and Top Car Clearances**

##### **5C.4.6.1.1 Bottom car clearance**

When the car rests on its fully compressed buffer there shall be vertical clearance of not less than 600mm between the pit floor and the buffer striker plate or the lowest structural or mechanical part equipment or device installed. The clearance shall be available beneath the whole area of the platform except for:

- a) 0 mm measured horizontally from the sides of the car platform and
- b) Compensating sheaves, guide shoes or rollers, safety jaw blocks, platform aprons, guards of other equipment located within 30.

Provided that in all the cases, including small cars, a minimum clearance of 600 mm is available over a horizontal area of 800 mm x 500 mm.

Provided also that in all the cases, when the car rests on its fully compressed buffers, there shall be a vertical clearance of not less than 50 mm between any part of the car and any obstruction of device mounted in the pit.

##### **5C.4.6.1.2 Top car clearance**

The vertical clearance between the car cross-head and the nearest overhead obstruction within 500mm measured horizontally to the nearest part of the crosshead when the car platform is level with the top landing, shall be not less than the sum of the following;

- a) The bottom counterweight runby.
- b) The stroke of the counterweight buffer used.
- c) One-half of the gravity stopping distance based on:
  - 1) 115 percent of the rated speed where oil buffers are used and no provision is made to prevent the jump of the car at counterweight buffer engagement and
  - 2) Governor tripping speed where spring buffers are used.

NOTE - The gravity stopping distance based on the gravity retardation from any initial velocity may be calculated according to the following formula.

$$S = 51 V^2$$

where

S = Free fall in mm (gravity stopping distance), and

V = Initial velocity in m/s

- d) 600 mm

Where there is a projection below the ceiling of the well and the projection is more than 500 mm, measured horizontally from the centre line of the cross-head but over the roof of the car, a minimum vertical clearance not less than that calculated above shall also be available between the roof of the car and the projection.

Provided that the vertical clearance between any equipment mounted on top of the car and the nearest overhead obstruction shall be not less than the sum of the three items (a), (b) and (c) as calculated above plus 150 mm.

#### **5C.4.6.2 Bottom Runby for Cars and Counterweights**

**5C.4.6.2.1** The bottom runby of cars and counterweights shall be not less than the following:

- a) 150 mm where oil buffers are used;
- b) Where spring-buffers are used;
  - (1) 150 mm for controls as in 5C. 2.1.23 to 5C. 2.1.27.
  - (2) Not less than the following for controls as in 5C.2.1.20 to 5C. 2.1.22.

Rated Speed	Runby
m/s	mm
Up to 0.125	75
0.125 to 0.25	150
0.25 to 0.50	225
0.50 to 1	300

#### **5C.4.6.3 Maximum Bottom Runby**

In no case shall the maximum bottom runby exceed the following:

- a) 600 mm for cars and
- b) 900 mm for counterweights.

#### **5C.4.6.4 Top Counterweight Clearances**

The top counterweight clearances shall be not less than the sum of the following four items:

- a) The bottom car runby
- b) The stroke of the car buffer used
- c) 150 mm and
- d) One-half the gravity stopping distance based on
  - 1) One hundred and fifteen percent of the rated speed where oil buffers are used and no provision is made to prevent jump of the counterweight at car buffer engagement and
  - 2) Governor tripping speed where spring buffers are used.

## **5C.4.7 Additional Requirements for Service Lifts**

### **5C.4.7.1 Top and Bottom Clearances for Car and Counterweights**

#### **5C.4.7.1.1 Top car clearance**

The top car clearance shall be sufficient to avoid any protruding part fixed on the top of the car coming in direct contact with the ceiling or diverting sheave.

The clearance shall be calculated taking into account the following and shall not be less than the sum of the following four items:

- a) The bottom counterweight runby
- b) The stroke of the counterweight buffer used
- c) The dimensions of the portion of the diverting sheave hanging underneath the ceiling in the lift well and
- d) 150 mm for compensating for gravity stopping distance and future repairs to the rope connections at counterweight and at the car or at the suspension points

#### **5C.4.7.1.2 Bottom car clearance**

The bottom car clearance shall be maintained in such a way that the counterweight shall not come in contact with the ceiling or any part hanging underneath the ceiling, when the car completely rests on fully compressed buffers, provided the buffers are spring type mounted on solid concrete or steel bed.

In case of wooden buffers the bottom car clearance shall be maintained in such a way that the total downward travel of the car from the service level of the immediate travel of the car from the service level the immediate floor near the pit, shall not be more than the top counterweight clearance, when the wooden buffers are completely crushed.

#### **5C.4.7.1.3 Top counterweight clearance**

The top clearance for the counterweight can be calculated taking into account the following and shall not be less than the sum of the following three items:

- a) Car runby
- b) Compression of the buffer spring or height of the wooden block used as buffer and
- c) 150 mm to compensate for gravity stopping distance for counterweight and any future repairs to rope connections at the counterweight at the car ends or at the suspension points.

#### **5C.4.7.1.4 Runby for Cars and Counterweights**

#### **5C.4.7.1.5 The bottom runby for cars and counterweights shall not be less than 150 mm.**

#### **5C.4.7.1.6 Maximum bottom runby**

In no case shall the maximum bottom runby exceed 300 mm.

**5C.4.8** In order to maintain a safe work environment, and to avoid potential hazards, the following shall be provided:

- a) Caution sign shall be installed in the areas listed below where potential hazard exists:
  - 1) Trip hazard in machine room and
  - 2) Caution notice against unauthorized use of rescue devices (for example, brake release device).
- b) Use the hard hats for entry in pit and car top during construction period.
- c) Warning sign shall be provided on the controller so also eliminate, the possibility of contact with any exposed or concealed power circuit.
- d) Car top barricade system shall be provided as primary protection against fall, on car top.
- e) Whenever work is carried out on the lift and lift is not required to be moved on power, notice shall be put on electrical main switch indicating requirement of de-energized condition.
- f) During lift installation/maintenance, protection against fall shall be provided with suitable barricades for all open landing entrances.

#### **5C.4.9 Planning for Dimensions**

##### **5C.4.9.1 General**

The dimensions of lift well have been chosen to accommodate the door inside the well which is the normal practice. In special cases, the door may be accommodated in a recess in the front wall, for which prior consultation shall be made with the lift manufacturer.

##### **5C.4.9.2 Plan Dimensions**

**5C.4.9.2.1** All plan dimensions of lift well are the minimum clear plumb sizes. The architect/engineer, in conjunction with the builder, shall ensure that adequate tolerances are included in the building design so that the specified minimum clear plumb dimensions are obtained in the finished work.

**5C.4.9.2.2** Rough opening in concrete or brick walls to accommodate landing doors depend on design of architrave. It is advisable to provide sufficient allowances in rough opening width to allow for alignment errors of opening at various landings.

**5C.4.9.2.3** When more than one lift is located in a common well, a minimum allowance of 100 mm for separator beams shall be made in the widths shown in Table 1 to 4.

**5C.4.9.2.4** For outline dimensions of lifts having more than one car entrance, lift manufacturers should be consulted.

##### **5C.4.9.3 Outline Dimensions**

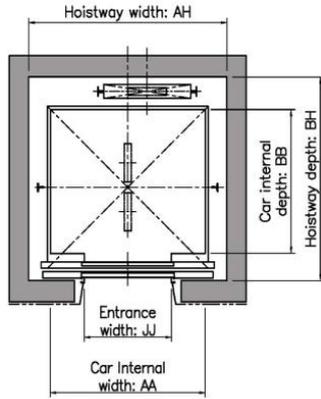
**5C.4.9.3.1** The outline dimensions of machine-room, pit depth, total headroom, overhead distance and sill for four classes of lifts to which the standard applies are specified in Tables 1 to 4 as indicated below.

# 1. Recommended Dimensions of Passenger Lifts and Service Lifts

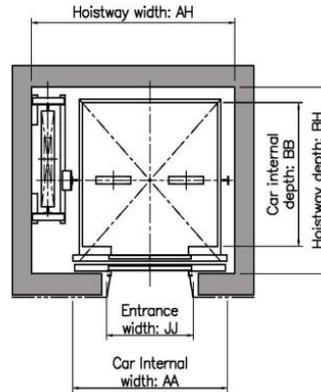
## (Machine Room System)

All dimensions in millimeters

### Hoistway Plan

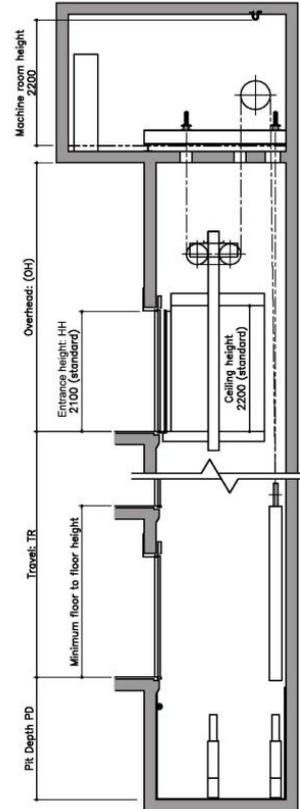


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Counterweight rear drop

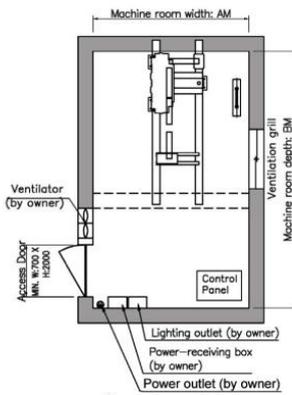


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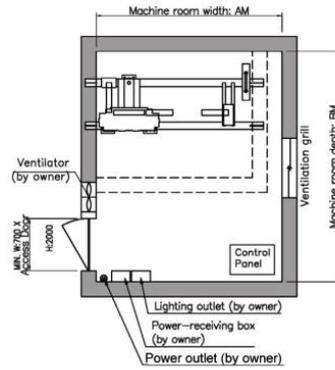
### Hoistway Section



### Machine Room Plan



Counterweight rear drop



Counterweight side drop

**Table-1(a)**

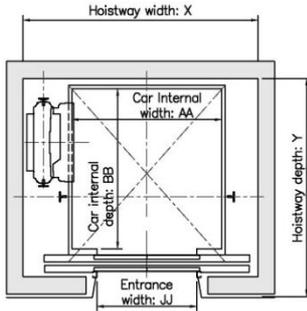
Number of persons	Rated Capacity (kg)	Rated Speed (m/sec)	Door Type	Entrance Width (mm) JJ	Car internal dimensions (mm) AA x BB	Counter-weight position	Minimum hoistway dimensions (mm) AH x BH /car	Minimum machine room dimensions (mm) AM x BM /car
6	450	1.0	CO	800	1400x850	Rear	1750x1400	2000x3250
						Side	2100x1200	2500x2900
8	550	1.0			1400x1030	Rear	1750x1590	2000x3350
		1.5				2000x3600		
		1.0				Side	2100x1380	2500x3000
9	600	1.0			1400x1100	Rear	1750x1660	2000x3550
		1.0				Side	2100x1450	2500x3000
10	700	1.0			1400x1250	Rear	1750x1810	2000x3600
		1.5				2000x3650		
11	750	1.0 1.5 1.75			1400x1350	Rear	1750x1910	2000x3700
						Side	2100x1700	2500x3100
13	900				900	Rear	2050x1910	2100x3700
						Side	2400x1730	2500x3100
15	1000				1600x1500	Rear	2050x2060	2100x3850
						Side	2400x1880	2500x3200
17	1150				1000	Rear	2250x1860	2300x3700
						Side	2600x1680	2600x3000
17	1150				1800x1500	Rear	2250x2110	2300x3900
						Side	2650x1880	2900x3100
20	1350				1100	Rear	2450x1960	2500x3450
			Side	2850x1730		3100x3000		
			1000	Rear		2250x2310	2300x4100	
				Side		2650x2080	3000x3200	
1100	Rear		2450x2160	2500x3650				
	Side		2850x1930	3200x2800				

**Table 1(b)**

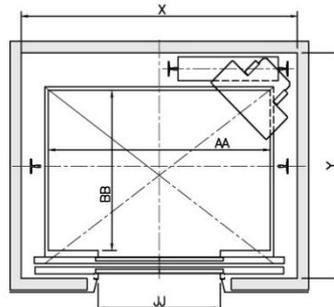
Rated Speed (m/sec)	Maximum travel (m) TR	Maximum number of Stops	Minimum overhead (mm) OH	Minimum pit depth (mm) PD	Minimum machine room clear height (mm)	Minimum floor to floor height (mm)
1	60	30	4400	1360	2200	2500
1.5	90		4560	1410		
1.75			4630	1410		

## 2. Recommended Dimensions of Passenger Lift and Service Lift (Machine Room Less System) All dimensions in millimeters

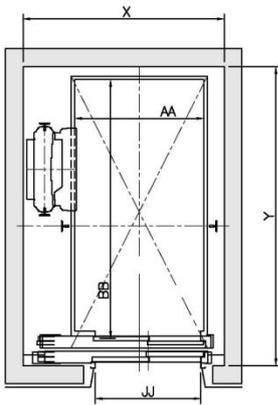
### Hoistway Plan



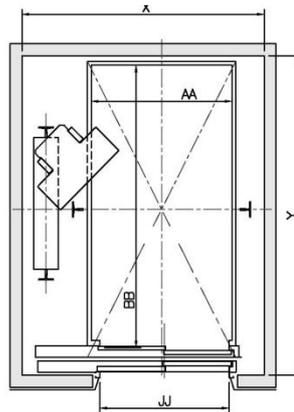
Shown for CO doors  
Counterweight side drop  
(Capacity 630kg ~ 1050kg)



Shown for CO doors  
Counterweight rear drop  
(Capacity 1275kg ~ 1600kg)

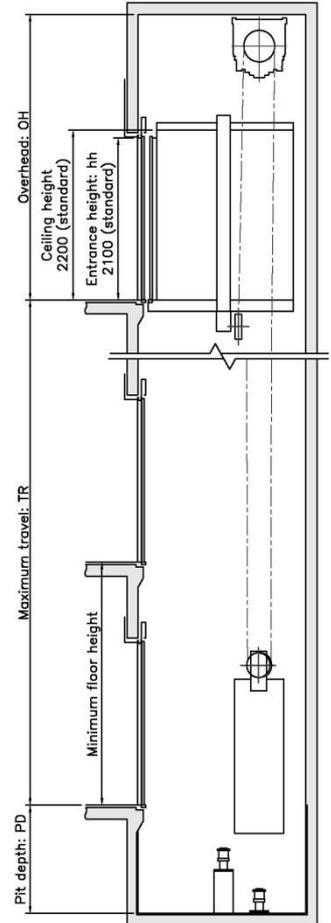


Shown for 2S doors  
Counterweight side drop  
(Capacity 450kg ~ 1050kg)



Shown for 2S doors  
Counterweight rear drop  
(Capacity 1275kg ~ 1600kg)

### Hoistway Section



Note: History Section for capacity of 1275 ~ 1600 kg is slightly different from this section

**Table -2(a)**

Code Number	Number of Persons	Rated Cap (Kg)	Door Type	Counter Weight Position	Car Internal Dimensions (mm) AA x BB	Entrance with (mm) JJ	Hoistway Dimensions (mm) X x Y
P 6	6	450	Co	Side	$\frac{930 \times 1300}{1000 \times 1200}$	800	1550 x 1700
P 8	8	550	Co	Side	$\frac{1100 \times 1300}{1030 \times 1400}$	800	1650 x 1700
P 9	9	600	Co	Side	1100 x 1400	800	1950 x 1720
P 10	10	700	Co	Side	1250 x 1400	800	2100 x 1720
P 11	11	750	Co	Side	1350 x 1400	900	2200 x 1720
P13	13	900	Co	Side	1350 x 1600	900	2350 x 1950
P 15	15	1000	Co	Side	1500 x 1600	900	2500 x 1950

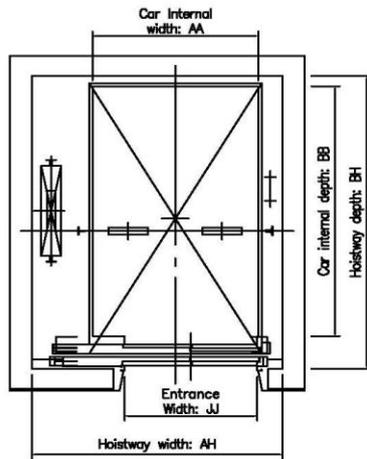
**Table -2(b)**

Rated Speed (m/s)	Rated Capacity (Kg)	Maximum overhead (OH)	Maximum pit depth (mm) PD	Minimum Floor Height (mm)
1.0	450 - 750	3600	1300	2500
	900-1000	4100	1550	
1.6	450 - 750	3750	1400	
	900 – 1000	4250	1650	
1.75	450 - 750	3850	1450	
	900 – 1000	4350	1700	

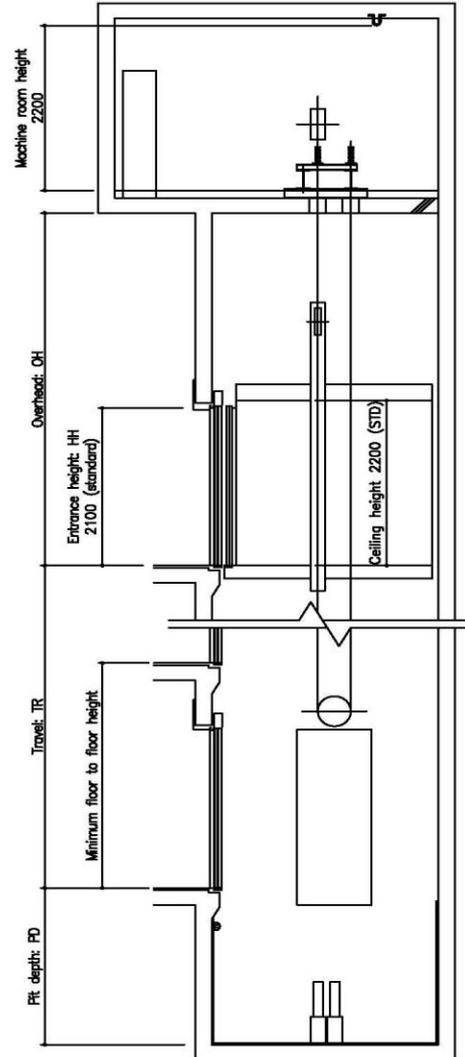
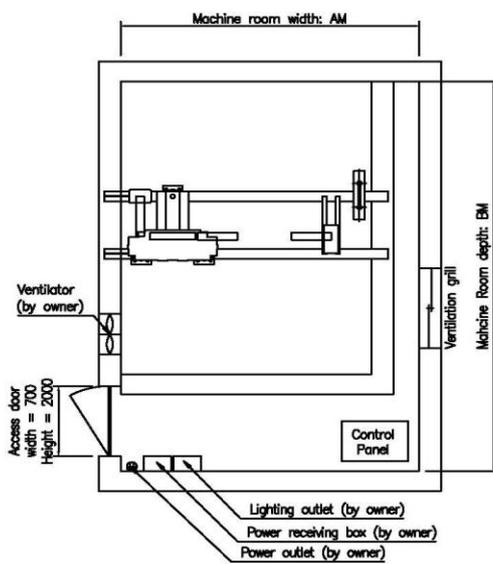
### 3. Recommended Dimensions of Hospital Lifts

All dimensions in millimeters

Hoistway Plan <B750/B1000>



Machine Room Plan <B750/B1000>



HOISTWAY SECTION <B750 / B 1000>

**Table -3(a)**

Number of persons	Rated Capacity (kg)	Rated Speed (m/sec)	Door Type	Counter-weight position	Car internal dimensions (mm) AA x BB	Entrance Width (mm) JJ	Minimum hoistway dimensions (mm) AH x BH /car	Minimum machine room dimensions (mm) AM x BM /car
11	750	1.0	2S	Side	1300x2300	1100	2135x2730	2600x3900
15	1000	1.5			1500x2500	1200	2335x2930	2700x3900
		1.75						

**Table -3(b)**

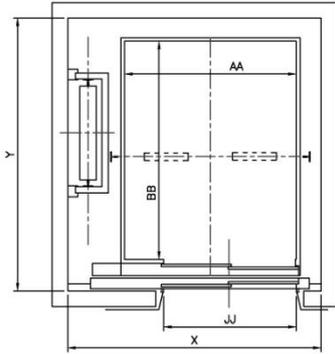
Rated Speed (m/sec)	Maximum travel (m) TR	Maximum number of Stops	Minimum overhead (mm) OH	Minimum pit depth (mm) PD	Minimum machine room clear height (mm)	Minimum floor to floor height (mm)
1	60	30	4400	1360	2200	2500
1.5	90		4560	1410		
1.75			4630	1410		

## 4. Recommended Dimensions of Good / Cargo / Freight Lift

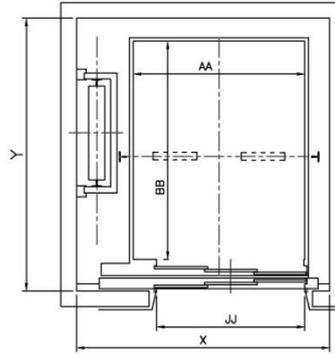
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### Hoistway Plan

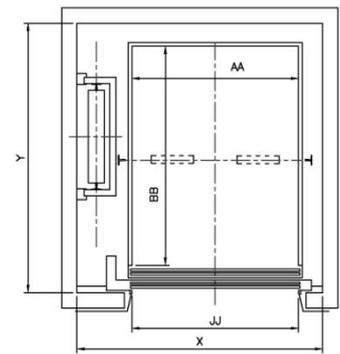
Hoistway Plan for 2-panel side opening door (2S)



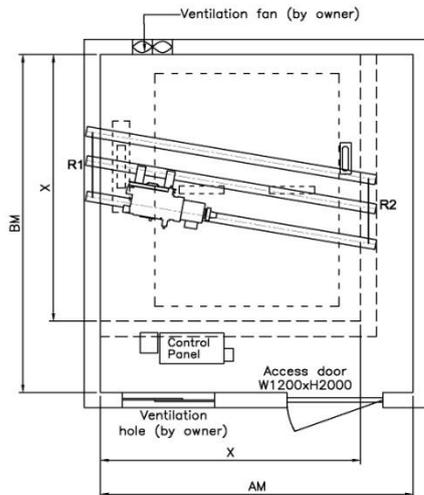
Hoistway Plan for 3-panel side opening door (3S)



Hoistway Plan for 2-panel side opening door (2U)



### Machine Room Plan



**Table -4**

Capacity (kg)	Speed (m/sec)	Motor (kW)	Machine room (mm)	Pit depth PD (mm)	Door type	Hoistway (mm)	Min. floor height (mm)	Overhead OH (mm)	Reaction loads (kN)			
									AM x BM	Machine room		Pit
			R1			R2				R3	R4	
750	0.75	7.5	2600 x 3950	1250	2S	2200 x 2900	2800	4450	57.9	41.2	70.6	55.4
	1	9.5		1550							71.6	55.4
1000	0.75	7.5	3150 x 3950	1250	2S	2600 x 2900	2800	4450	74.6	43.1	80.4	66.2
	1	9.5		1550							84.8	73.1
1500	0.75	9.5	3600 x 4050	1250	2S	3150 x 3000	2800	4450	101	53.9	119.6	82.4
	1	13		1550							129.4	88.3
2000	0.75	13	3600 x 4250	1250	2S	3150 x 3400	2800	4450	121.6	63.7	139.2	103
	1	18.5		1550							150	109.8
2500	0.75	18.5	4000 x 4400	1250	3S	3600 x 3700	3300	4850	148.1	81.4	192.2	144.2
	1	22		1550							206	154
	0.75	18.5	4000 x 4400	1250	2U	3600 x 3700	4500	4850	155.9	80.4	192.2	144.2
	1	22		1550							206	154
	0.75	18.5	4000 x 4400	1250	3U	3600 x 3700	3950	4850	155.9	80.4	192.2	144.2
	1	22		1550							206	154
3000	0.75	18.5	4100 x 4800	1250	3S	3750 x 4100	3300	4850	166.7	92.2	208	154
	1	26		1800							223	165
	0.75	18.5	4100 x 4800	1250	2U	3750 x 4100	4500	4850	174.5	92.2	208	154
	1	26		1800							223	165
	0.75	18.5	4100 x 4800	1250	3U	3750 x 4100	3950	4850	174.5	92.2	208	154
	1	26		1800							223	165

**5. Recommended Dimensions of Dumb Waiter**

**5.(a) Table Type**

**Hoistway Plan**

FIGURE 1

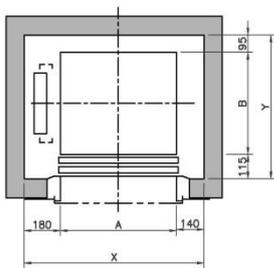


FIGURE 2

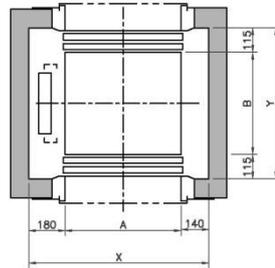


FIGURE 3

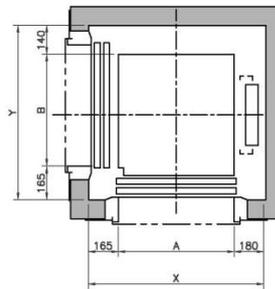


FIGURE 4

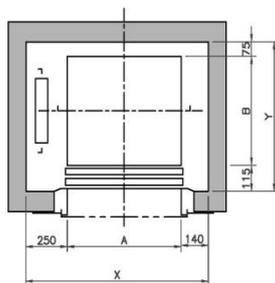
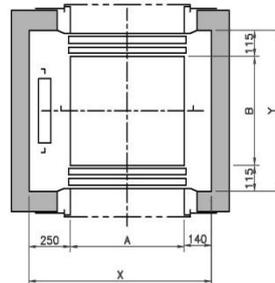
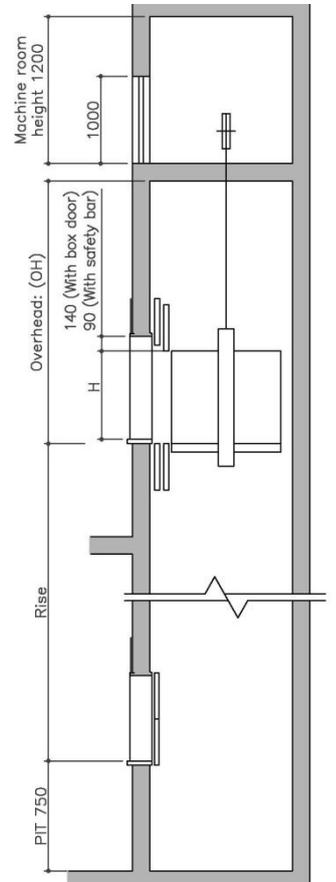


FIGURE 5



**Hoistway Section**

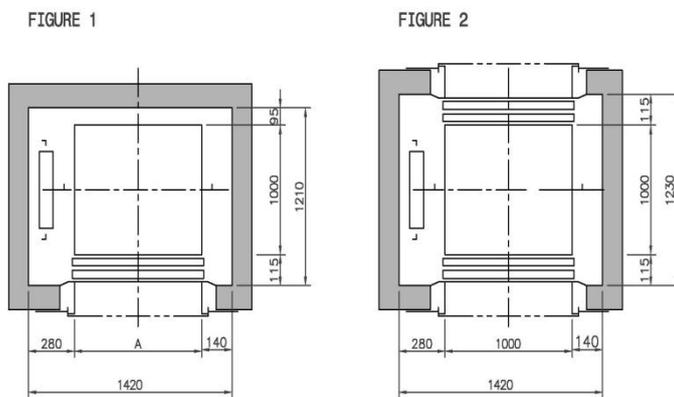


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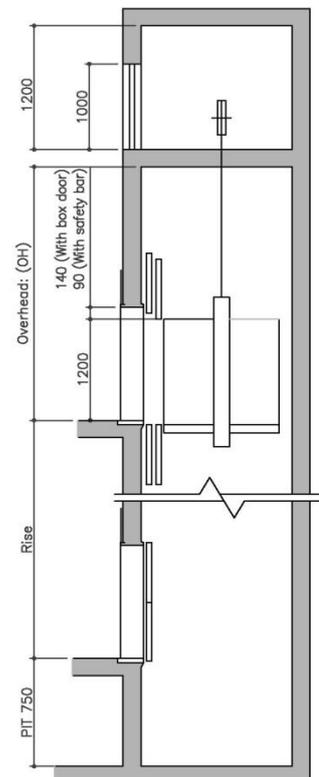
Load capacity (Kgs)	Speed (m/sec)	Kind of Equipment	Figure	Dimension (mm)							Motor Rating (KW)
				A	B	H	X	Y	OH		
									With Box Door	With Safety Bar	
50	0.5	M-50-O-5	1	550	550	750	870	760	1525	1425	0.75
		M-50-P-5	2					780			
		M-50-R-5	3					895			
100	0.5	M-100-O-5	1	700	700	900	1020	910	1750	1650	0.75
		M-100-P-5	2					930			
		M-100-R-5	3					1045			
150	0.5	M-150-O-5	4	800	800	1000	1190	990	1900	1800	0.75
		M-150-P-5	5					1030			

**5.(b) Floor Type**

**Hoistway Plan**



**Hoistway Section**



**Table 5.(b)**

Load Capacity (Kgs)	Speed (m/sec)	Kind of Equipment	Figure	Dimension (mm)		Motor Rating (KW)
				With Box Door	With Safety Bar	
200	0.35	OF-200-O-3.5	1	2200	2100	1.5
		OF-200-P-3.5	2			
300	0.35	OF-200-O-3.5	1	2200	2100	2.5
		OF-300-P-3.5	2			

**5C.4.9.3.2 Travel**

The tables have been established for a maximum travel of 30m. For travels above 30m, the lift manufacturer should be consulted.

**5C.4.9.3.3 Pit**

The pit depth of the lifts will normally accommodate compensating chains. If compensating ropes are required, pit depth shall be increased for all loads and speeds and lift manufacturer should be consulted.

**5C.4.9.3.4 Minimum floor to floor height**

Minimum floor to floor height for landings on same side for horizontally sliding door is  $f + 750$  mm and for vertically biparting doors is  $1.5f + 250$  mm, where ' $f$ ' is clear entrance heights in mm.

**5C.4.10 Lift Wells and Lift Well Enclosures****5C.4.10.1 Lift wells**

**5C.4.10.1.1** No equipment except that forming a part of the lift or necessary for its operation and maintenance shall be installed in the lift well. For this purpose, the main supply lines shall be deemed to be a part of the lift and the underground cable, if laid along the lift well shaft, shall be properly clamped to the wall.

**5C.4.10.1.2** Sufficient space shall be provided between the guides for the cars and the side walls of the lift well enclosure to allow safe and easy access to the parts of the safety gears for their maintenance and repairs; safety gears provided shall be in accordance with Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or latest version.

**5C.4.10.1.3** Lift wells, together with the whole of the contained equipment and apparatus, shall be rendered fire resistant to the greatest possible extent.

**5C.4.10.1.4** Every counterweight shall travel in juxtaposition to its car in the same lift well.

**5C.4.10.1.5** It is undesirable that any room, passage or thoroughfare be permitted under any lift well. If unavoidable spaces for other uses may be permitted under the lift well, with the prior approval of the lift Inspectorate Authority and the following provisions shall be made:

- a) Spring or Oil buffers shall be provided for lift car and counterweight.
- b) The pit shall be sufficiently strong to withstand successfully the impact of the lift car with rated load or the impact of the counterweight when either is descending at rated speed or at governor tripping speed.
- c) The car and the counterweight shall be provided with a governor-operated safety gear and
- d) The forces required on the structure in the event of car buffering directly without safety gear application to be indicated in the general arrangement drawing.

#### **5C.4.10.2 Lift Well Enclosures**

**5C.4.10.2.1** Lift well enclosures shall be provided and shall extend on all sides from floor-to-floor or stair-to-stair, and shall have requisite strength and in proper plumb. Liftwell enclosures are made concrete wall or Brick wall in up to 9 stop but more than 9 stop, must be do concrete wall only.

**5C.4.10.2.2** The inner sides of the lift well enclosures facing any car entrances shall, as far as practicable form a smooth, continuous flush surface devoid of projections or recesses.

**NOTE** – This requirement may be met in existing lift wells by filling any recesses or spaces between projections or alternatively by covering them with suitable sheet material. If it is not possible to render flush any objection or tops of recesses, they should be beveled on the under side to an angle of 60°, from the horizontal by means of metal plates, cement rendering or other fire-resisting materials. Where a car-Levelling device is operative with car door opening, such interior surfaces shall always form a smooth flush surface below each landing level for a depth to at least the depth of the car-Levelling zone plus the distance through which the lift car may travel of its own momentum when the power is cut-off.

**5C.4.10.2.3** Where an open lift well would increase the fire risk in a building, the lift well enclosure shall be fire-resisting construction (see 'Myanmar Fire Safety code of practices').

**5C.4.10.2.4** Where wire grill or similar constructions is used, the mesh or opening shall be such that the opening between the bars shall reject the ball of 30 mm in diameter and the lift well enclosure shall be of sufficient strength to resist accidental impact by users of the staircase or adjoining floor or by materials or trucks being moved in the vicinity.

**5C.4.10.2.5** Where the clearance between the inside of an open-type lift well enclosure and any moving or movable part of the lift equipment of apparatus is less than 50 mm, the openings in the enclosure shall be further protected by netting of square mesh of aperture not greater than one centimeter and of wire not smaller than one mm. (The provisions of this clause need not be adhered to for lift wells in factory premises, coming under the preview of Factories Rule and Regulation. In such cases provisions of 5C. 4.10.2.4 is sufficient.)

**5C.4.10.2.6** There shall be no opening in the lift well enclosure permitting access to the lift car by passing under the counterweight.

**5C.4.10.2.7** In case of a completely enclosed lift well, a notice with the word 'Lift' may be placed outside of each landing door.

#### **5C.4.10.2.8 Indicator**

Where lifts are installed in totally enclosed wells, position indicators are recommended to be provided at each floor; however, where position indicators are not provided, at least direction indicators or 'In Use' indicators shall be provided at each landing.

#### **5C.4.10.2.9 Landing doors**

Every lift well shall, on each side from which there is access to a car, be fitted with a door. Such a door shall be fitted with efficient electromechanical locking so as to ensure that it cannot be opened except when the lift car is at landing and that the lift car cannot be moved away from the landing until the door is closed and locked. If the door is mechanically locked, means should be provided for opening the same by means of special key during emergency or inspection.

#### **5C.4.10.2.10 Automatic devices for cutting off power**

An efficient automatic device shall be provided and maintained in each lift whereby all power shall be cut off from the motor before the car or counterweight lands on buffer.

#### **5C.4.10.3 Lift Pits**

**5C.4.10.3.1** A lift pit shall be provided at the bottom of every lift.

**5C.4.10.3.2** Pits shall be of sound construction and maintained in a dry and clean condition. Where necessary, provision shall be made for permanent drainage and where the pit depth exceeds 1.5m suitable descending arrangement shall be provided to reach the lift pit. And a suitable fixed ladder or other descending facility in the form of permanent brackets grouted in the wall extending to a height of 0.75m above the lowest floor level shall be provided. A light point with a switch shall also be provided for facility of maintenance and repair work.

#### **5C.4.11 Machine Rooms and Overhead Structures**

**5C.4.11.1** The lift machine, controller and all other apparatus and equipment of a lift installation, excepting such apparatus and equipments as function in the lift well or other positions, shall be placed in the machine room which shall be adequately lighted and rendered fire-proof and weather-proof.

**5C.4.11.2** The motor generators controlling the speed of multi-voltage or variable voltage machines, secondary sheaves, pulleys, governors, floor selecting equipment may be placed in a place other than the machine room, but such position shall be adequately lighted, ventilated and rendered fire-proof and weather – proof.

**5C.4.11.3** The machine room shall have sufficient floor area as well as permit free access to all parts of the machines and equipment located therein for purposes of inspection, maintenance or repair.

**5C.4.11.4** The room shall be kept closed, except to those who are concerned with the operation and maintenance of the equipment. When the electrical voltage exceeds 220/230 V ac, a danger notice plate shall be displayed permanently on the outside of the door and on or near the

machinery. Where standby generator is provided, it is necessary to connect fireman lift to the standby generator. Depending upon the capacity of the standby generator one or more other lifts may also be connected to the supply.

Rescue instruction with required tools and tackles if any shall be made available in the machine room.

All lift which do not have any automatic transfer facility to an alternate supply, such as generator, shall be equipped with Battery Operated Automatic Rescue Device to bring the lift to the nearest floor and open the door in the event of power failure.

**5C.4.11.5** The machine room shall be equipped with an insulated portable hand lamp provided with flexible cord for examining the machinery.

**5C.4.11.6** If any machine room floor or platform does not extend to the enclosing walls, the open sides shall be provided with hand rails or otherwise suitably guarded.

**5C.4.11.7** The machine room shall not be used as a store room or for any purpose other than housing the lift machinery and its associated apparatus and equipment.

**5C.4.11.8** Machine room floor shall be provided with a trap door, if necessary. The size of the trap door shall be as per manufacturer's recommendation.

**5C.4.11.9** The height of the machine room shall be sufficient to allow any portion of equipment to be accessible and removable for repair and replacement and shall be not less than 2m clear from the floor or the platform of machine whichever is higher.

**5C.4.11.10** It will be noted that generally lifts have machine rooms immediately over the lift well, and this should be arranged whenever possible without restricting the overhead distance required for normal safety precautions. In case where machine room provision on top is a limitation, either machine room less lift or basement drive or side drive lift can be considered.

**5C.4.11.11** For detailed information regarding nomenclature of floors and storeys, reference may be made to Myanmar electricity rule and Regulation.

**5C.4.11.12** There should be a proper access planned for approach to the machine room taking into account need for maintenance personnel to access the machine room at all times of day and night and also the need to take heavy equipment. Any fixture such as a ladder provided should be secured permanently to the structure and should have railings to reduce the risk of falling.

**5C.4.11.13** It is desirable that emergency exit may be provided in case of large machine rooms having four or more lifts.

**5C.4.11.14** Where the machine room occupies a prominent position on roof of a building, provision should be made for lightning protection in accordance with Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version and Myanmar electricity Rule and Regulation.

**5C.4.11.15** Wherever the machine room is placed, it should be properly ventilated. The ambient temperature of machine room shall be maintained between +5°C and +40°C.

**5C.4.11.16** If located in the basement, it should be separated from the lift well by a separation wall.

### **5C.4.12 Essential Features Required**

**5C.4.12.1** Power operated car doors on automatically operated lifts shall be so designed that their closing and opening is not likely to injure a person. The power operated car door shall be provided with a sensitive device which shall automatically initiate reopening of the door in the event of a passenger being struck or is about to be struck by the door, while crossing the entrance during closing movement. The effect of the device may be neutralized:

- a) During the last 58 mm of travel of door panel in case of side opening doors
- b) When panels are within 58 mm of each other in case of center opening doors.

The force needed to prevent the door from closing shall not exceed 150 N and this measurement shall not be made in the first third of the travel of the door.

In order to achieve this it is desirable that all power operated doors have a full length (covering at least 80 percent of the car door height from the bottom) infrared light curtain safety to retract the door in the event of coming across any obstacle during closing of the door.

**5C.4.12.2** Single speed and two speed drives which are poor in Levelling accuracy and energy consumption shall not be used for new lifts in view of availability of latest technology energy efficient Variable Voltage Variable Frequency drive systems with improved Levelling accuracy.

**5C.4.12.3** For passenger lifts with car call button control in car and with capacities of 16 passenger and above, it is recommended to have an additional car operating panel with call buttons on the opposite side to main panel for ease of access to buttons.

**5C.4.12.4** Passenger lifts shall be provided with power operated doors which are imperforate.

## **5C.5 DIMENSIONAL TOLERANCES**

### **5C.5.1 Lift Well Dimensions**

Plan dimensions of lift wells given by the lift maker represent the minimum clear plumb sizes. The purchaser's representative, in conjunction with the builder, should ensure that adequate tolerances are included in the building design so that the specified minimum plumb dimensions are obtained in the finished work.

Dimensions in excess of these minimum plumb dimensions for lift well and openings (but not less) can be accommodated by the lift maker up to certain maximum values beyond which changes in design may be necessary involving additional expense or work by the builder. The purchaser's representative should take these factors into account when specifying the lift well structural dimensions on the basis of the constructional tolerance appropriate to the building technique.

### **5C.5.2 Landing Door Openings**

It is very important that finished landing openings should be accurate to design size and plumb one above the other for the full travel of the lift. In constructing the structural openings in concrete walls to lift wells it is not possible to achieve a degree of accuracy vertically which will allow doors and frames to be inserted in the opening without some form of masking or packing to overcome inaccuracies. Provisions should therefore be made in design by increasing the nominal height from design finished floor level and width of openings to each jamb and head.

In addition, the alignment of the outer face of the front wall of the lift well is of importance when architrave of fixed dimensions are called for, and in this case the alignment of the outer face from

floor to floor should not vary to a greater extent than can be accommodate by the subsequent front wall finish, the architrave being set accurately plumb.

To facilitate accurate alignment of landing sills it is common practice to provide at each landing an independent threshold, the position of which can be adjusted.

### 5C.5.3 Structural Limits for Lift Wells at any Level

If the net plumb well (dimensions A and B of Fig-2) and the nominal structural entrance openings (dimensions C and D of Fig.2) are defined by plumb lines, the actual wall should not encroach on these dimensions.

Dimension K (inside face of wall of Fig .2) should fall within the following limits:

For wells up to 30 m - 0.25 mm

For wells up to 60 m - 0.35 mm

For wells up to 90 m - 0.50 mm

When architrave are to be supplied by the lift maker dimension L (side of structural opening of Fig.2) should fall within the limits of 0 and 25 mm and dimension M (outer face of the front wall of Fig.2) should not vary to a greater extent than can be accommodated by the subsequent front wall finish, the architrave being set accurately plumb.

When the entrance linings are supplied by the builder, corresponding provision should be made for the finished openings to be accurately plumb one above the other for the full travel of the lift end to design size.

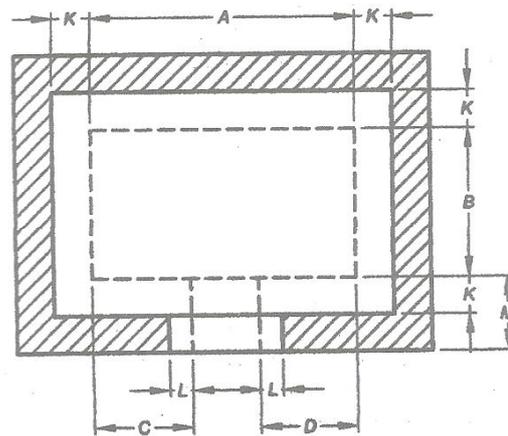


FIG. 2 LIFE WELL TOLERANCE

## **5C.6 PRELIMINARY DESIGN**

### **5C.6.1 Number of Lifts and Capacity**

**5C.6.1.1** Two basic considerations, namely, the quantity of service required and the quality of service desired, determine the type of lifts to be provided in a particular building. Quantity of service gives the passenger handling capacity of the lifts during the peak periods and the quality of service is measured in terms of waiting time of passengers at various floors. Both these basic factors require proper study into the character of the building, extent and duration of peak periods, frequency of service required, type and method of control, type of landing doors etc. In busy cities patience, coefficient being low satisfaction cannot be obtained if lifts with adequate capacities and speed are not provided. In view of many variables, no simple formula is possible for determining the most suitable lifts.

NOTE – It is recommended to do Traffic Analysis Study to ensure optimum provision of lifts for the building in consultation with lift manufactures. In view of the dynamic situation it is recommended that a computerized software is used for Traffic Analysis Study.

**5C.6.1.2** The number of passenger lifts and their capacities, that is load and speed, required for a given building depend on the characteristics of the building. The most important of these are:

- a) Number of floors to be served by the lifts
- b) Floor to floor distance
- c) Population of each floor to be served and
- d) Maximum peak demand; this demand may be unidirectional, as in up and down peak periods, or a two-way traffic movement.

It should be appreciated that all calculations on the traffic handling capabilities of lifts are dependent on a number of factors which vary according to the design of lift and the assumptions made on passenger actions. It follows, therefore, that the result of such calculations can only be put to limited use of a comparative nature. For instance, they can with advantage be used to compare the capabilities of lifts in a bank with different loads and speeds provided the same set of factors are used for all cases. On the other hand, they cannot be used to compare the capabilities of different makes of lift used for a given bank of lifts.

Different authorities and manufacturers differ widely in their methods of calculation, due to the variations in lift performance, especially with regard to rates of acceleration and deceleration and door operation times which form the components of performance time. Therefore, the calculations made by different organizations will not necessarily agree.

### **5C.6.2 Preliminary Lift Planning**

#### **5C.6.2.1 General**

Methods of calculating the traffic handling capabilities of lifts were first devised for office buildings. In due course detailed modifications were devised to suit other applications without altering the basic principles. The application to office buildings is still the most frequently used.

Therefore, the following method may be used as general guidance on preliminary lift planning for offices, bearing in mind the differences set out in 5C .6.1.2.

A lift installation for office building is normally designed to populate the building at a given rate and the three main factors to be considered are:

- a) Population or the number of people who require lift service.
- b) Handling capacity of the maximum flow rate required by these people.
- c) Interval or the quality of service required.

#### **5C.6.2.2 Population**

The first point to be ascertained from the eventual occupier is the total building population and whether this is likely to increase in the future.

If a definite population figure is unobtainable an assessment should be made from the net area and probable population density. Average population density can vary from about one person per 4 m<sup>2</sup> to one person per 20 m<sup>2</sup>. It is essential, therefore, that some indication of the probable population density should be obtained from the building owner. If no indications is possible (a speculative development for example) population in the region of 5m<sup>2</sup> per person for general office buildings is usually assumed.

#### **5C.6.2.3 Quantity of Service**

The quantity of service is a measure of the passenger handling capacity of a vertical transportation system. It is measured in terms of the total number of passenger handled during each five-minute peak period of the day. A five-minute base period is used as this is the most practical time over which the traffic can be averaged.

The recommended passenger handling capacity for various buildings is as follows:

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<b>Type of Building</b>	<b>Handling Capacity</b>
Office – Diversified tenants	10 to 15 percent
Office – Single tenant	15 to 25 percent
Residential	7.5 percent

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#### **5C.6.2.4 Quality of Service**

The quality of service on the other hand is generally measured by the passenger waiting time at the various floors. The following shall be the guiding factor for determining this aspect.

Quality of Service or Acceptable Interval

20 to 25 seconds	Excellent
26 to 35 seconds	Good
36 to 40 second s	Fair

41 to 45 seconds	Poor
Over 45 seconds	Unsatisfactory

NOTE – For residential buildings longer intervals should be permissible.

#### **5C.6.2.5 Traffic Peaks**

The maximum traffic flow during the up peak period is usually used as a measure of the vertical transportation requirement in an office building. The employees of all offices are subject to discipline and are required to be at their place in time. Consequently, the incoming traffic flow is extremely high and the arrival time is over a short period.

Sometimes it becomes necessary to reduce the maximum traffic flow by staggering the arrival of the employees so that different groups arrive at different times. This reduces the peak and also the requirement of lifts. However, many organizations may object to staggering and prefer to have all employees arrive at the same time since it is claimed that staggering will affect the proper co-ordination of business.

#### **5C.6.2.6 Capacity**

The minimum size of car recommended for a single purpose buildings is one suitable for a duty load of 884 kg. Generally, for large office buildings cars with capacities up to 2040 kg are recommended according to the requirements.

#### **5C.6.2.7 Speed**

It is dependent upon the quantity of service required and the quality of service desired (see 5C.6.2.3 and 5C.6.2.4). Therefore, no set formulae for indicating the speed can be given. However, the following general recommendations are made:

No. of Floors	Speed
4 to 5	0.5 to 0.75 m/s
6 to 12	0.75 to 1.5 m/s
13 to 20	1.5 m/s to 2.5 m/s
Above 20	2.5 m/s and above

#### **5C.6.2.8 Layout**

The shape and size of the passenger lift car bears a distinct relation to its efficiency as a medium of traffic handling. A study of the most suitable proportions for these lifts reveal that the width of the lift well entrance is in reality, the basic element in the determination of the best proportions. In other words, the width of the car is determined by the width of the entrance and the depth of the car is regulated by the loading per square metre permissible under this Code. Centre opening doors are more practicable and efficient entrance units for passenger lifts.

#### **5C.6.2.9 Determination of Transportation or Handling Capacity During the Up Peak**

**5C.6.2.9.1** The handling capacity is calculated by the following formula:

$$H = \frac{300 \times Q \times 100}{T \times P}$$

Where

H = Handling capacity as the percentage of the peak population handled during 5 min period,

Q = Average number of passengers carried in a car,

T = Waiting interval in seconds, and

P = Total population to be handled during peak morning period. (It is related to the area served by a particular bank of lifts.)

The value of Q depends on the dimensions of the car. It may be noted that the car is not loaded always to its maximum capacity during each trip and, therefore, for calculating H the value of Q is taken as 80 percent of the maximum carrying capacity of the car.

The waiting interval is calculated by the following formula:

$$T = \frac{RTT}{N}$$

where

T = Waiting interval in seconds,

N = Number of lifts, and

RTT = Round trip time, that is, the average time required by each lift in taking one full load of passengers from ground floor, discharging them in various upper floors and coming back to ground floor for taking fresh passengers for the next trip.

RTT is the sum of the time required in the following process:

- a) Entry of the passengers on the ground floor,
- b) Exit of the passengers on each floor of discharge,
- c) Door closing time before each starting operation,
- d) Door opening time on each discharging operation,
- e) Acceleration periods,
- f) Stopping and Levelling periods,
- g) Periods of full rated speeds between stops going up, and
- h) Periods of full rated speeds between stops going down.

It is observed that the handling capacity is inversely proportional to waiting interval which in turn is proportional to RTT. Reducing the RTT of a lift from 120 to 100 increases its handling capacity by 20 percent.

The round trip time can be decreased not only by increasing the speed of the lift but also by improving the design of the equipment related to opening and closing of the landing and car doors, acceleration, deceleration, Levelling and passenger movement. These factors are discussed below:

- a) The most important factor in shortening the time consumed between the entry and the exit of the passengers to the lift car is the correct design of the doors and the proper car width. For comfortable entry and exist for passengers it has been found that most suitable door width is 1000 mm and that of car width is 2000 mm.
- b) The utilization of centre opening doors has been a definite factor in improving passenger transfer time, since when using this type of door the passengers, as a general rule, begin to move before the doors have been completely opened. On the other hand, with a side opening door the passengers tend to wait until the door has completely opened before moving.

The utilization of centre opening doors also favours the door opening and closing time periods. Given the same door speed, the centre opening door is much faster than the side opeing type. It is beyond doubt that the centre opening door represents an increase in transportational capacity in the operation of a lift.

**5C.6.2.9.2** An example illustrating the use of the above consideration is given below:

Gross area per floor	1100 m <sup>2</sup>
Net usable area per floor	950 m <sup>2</sup>
No. of landings including ground	15
Assuming population density	9.5 m <sup>2</sup> per person

Probable population in

$$P = \frac{14 \times 950}{9.5}$$

Upper floors 1400 persons

Taking 20 passengers lift with 2.5 m/s the calculated RTT = 165 s

$$Q = 20 \times 0.8 = 16$$

a) Taking No. of lifts, N = 4

$$T = \frac{RTT}{N} = \frac{165}{4} = 41s$$

$$H = \frac{300 \times Q \times 100}{T \times P} = \frac{300 \times 16 \times 100}{41 \times 1400} = 8.3 \text{ percent}$$

b) Taking No. of lifts, N = 6

$$T = \frac{165}{6} = 27.6s$$

$$H = \frac{300 \times Q \times 100}{T \times P} = \frac{300 \times 16 \times 100}{27.6 \times 1400} = 12 \text{ percent}$$

### **5C.6.3 Quiet Operation of Lifts**

Every precaution should be taken with passenger lifts to ensure quiet operation of the lift doors and machinery. The insulating of the lift machine and any motor generator from the floor by rubber cushions or by a precast concrete slab with rubber cushions, prevents transmission of most of the noise.

### **5C.6.4 Positioning of Lifts**

A thorough investigation should be made for assessing the most suitable position for lift(s) while planning the building. It should take into account future expansions, if any. Though each building has to be considered individually for purposes of location of lifts, factors influencing the locations of passenger and goods lifts are given in 5C. 6.4.2 to 5C. 6.4.4.

The location of lifts may also conform to the travel distance requirements specified in 'Myanmar Fire Safety code of practices'.

#### **5C.6.4.1 Arrangement of Lifts**

The lifts should be easily accessible from all entrances to the building. For maximum efficiency, they should be grouped near the centre of the building. It is preferably not to have all the lifts out in straight line and, if possible, not more than three lifts should be arranged in this manner. It has to be kept in mind that the corridor should be wide enough to allow sufficient space for waiting passengers as well as through passengers.

**5C.6.4.1.1** In some cases when there are more than three lifts, the alcove arrangement is recommended. With this arrangement, the lift alcove lead off the main corridor so that there is no interference by traffic to other groups or to other parts of the ground floor. This arrangement permits the narrowest possible corridors and saves space on the upper floors. Walking distance to the individual lift is reduced and passenger standing in the center of the group can readily see all the lift doors and landing indicators. The ideal arrangement of the lifts depends upon the particular layout of the respective building and should be determined in every individual case. Some typical recommended arrangements are given in Fig. 1.

#### **5C.6.4.2 Passenger Lifts**

##### **5C.6.4.2.1 Low and medium class flats**

Where a lift is arranged to serve two, three or four flats per floor, the lift may be placed adjoining a staircase, with the lift entrances serving direct on to the landings. Where the lift is to serve a considerable number of flats having access to balconies or corridors, it may be conveniently placed in a well ventilated tower adjoining the building.

##### **5C.6.4.2.2 Office buildings, hotels and high class flats**

In general the arrangement as recommended in 5C 6.4.1 is to be followed. However, in case this is not possible, it is desirable to have at least a battery of two lifts at two or more convenient points of a building. If this is not possible, it is advisable to have at least two lifts side by side at the main entrance and one lift each at different sections of the building for intercommunication. When two lifts are installed side by side, the machine room shall be suitably planned with sufficient space for housing the machine equipment. The positioning of lifts side by side gives the following advantages:

- a) All machine and switch gear may be housed in one machine room
- b) The lifts can be inter-connected more conveniently from an installation point of view and
- c) Greater convenience in service owing to the landing openings and each floor being adjacent.

##### **5C.6.4.2.3 Shops and departmental stores**

Lifts in shops and stores should be situated so as to secure convenient and easy access at each floor.

**5C.6.4.2.4** For buildings with more than 12 floors, it is recommended to have provision of one stretcher/service lift in addition to the passenger lifts.

**5C.6.4.2.5** For buildings with more than 12 floors, where passenger and service lifts are provided in one lobby it is recommended to have group control for all the lifts.

### **5C.6.4.3 Goods Lifts**

The location of lifts in factories, warehouses and similar buildings should be planned to suit the progressive movement of goods throughout the buildings, having regard to the nature of position of the loading platforms, railway sidings, etc. The placing of a lift in a fume or dust laden atmosphere or where it may be exposed to extreme temperatures, should be avoided wherever possible. Where it is impossible to avoid installing a lift in an adverse atmosphere, the electrical equipment should be of suitable design and construction to meet the conditions involved.

**5C.6.4.3.1** Normally goods lifts have lower speeds than passenger lifts for the same travel because traffic conditions are less demanding, and more time is required for loading and unloading.

**5C.6.4.3.2** As loads for goods lifts increase in size and weight, so the operation of loading and unloading becomes more difficult. Therefore, it is usual to require greater accuracy of levelling as the capacity of the goods lift increases.

**5C.6.4.3.3** A large capacity goods lift at high speed is often a very uneconomical proposition. The inherent high cost is enhanced due to the very small demand for such equipment, much of which is custom made. The high capital cost of the lift, building work and electrical supply equipment usually shows a much smaller return as an investment than more normal sizes of lifts.

### **5C.6.4.4 Hospital Bed Lifts**

Hospital bed lifts should be situated conveniently near the ward and operating theatre entrances. There shall be sufficient space near the landing door for easy movement of stretcher.

It is convenient to place the passenger lifts in a hospital, near the staircases.

### **5C.6.5 Structural Considerations**

**5C.6.5.1** Lift well enclosures, lift pits, machine rooms and machine supports besides conforming to the essential requirements given in 4, should form part of the building construction and comply with the lift manufacturer's drawings.

#### **5C.6.5.2 Machine Room**

Floors shall be designed to carry a load of not less than  $350 \text{ kg/m}^2$  over the whole area and also any load which may be imposed there on by the equipment used in the machine room or by any reaction from any such equipment both during periods of normal operation and repair.

**5C.6.5.3** The side wall of the lift well may be made of reinforced cement concrete at least 150 mm thick so as to provide satisfactory anchoring arrangement for fixing. Reference shall also be made to 'Structural Design,

**5C.6.5.4** The total load on overhead beams shall be assumed as equal to all equipment resting on the beams plus twice the maximum load suspended from the beams.

**5C.6.5.5** The factor of safety for all overhead beams and supports based on ultimate strength of the material and load in accordance with 5C 6.5.4 shall be not less than the following:

For Steel 5

For Reinforced Concrete 7

The deflection of the overhead beams under the maximum static load calculated in accordance with above shall not exceed 1/1500 of the span.

#### **5C.6.6 Access to Machine Room and Lift Pits**

**5C.6.6.1** Access to machine room above a lift well may be either from the roof or by an internal staircase with a proper arrangement for fixing.

**5C.6.6.2** Access between a secondary floor and a machine room may be by ladder. Where a machine room entrance is less than 1.5 m above or below the adjacent floor or roof surfaces, a substantial permanently attached ladder may be used. Ladders shall be fixed at least 150 mm clear of any wall, beam or obstruction and shall extend at least to the landing level. Above the landing level and for a height of at least 1.15m, either the ladder stringers shall be extended or suitable hand grips shall be provided.

**5C.6.6.3** Where the machine room entrance is 1.5 m or more above or below the adjacent floor or roof surface, access shall be provided by means of stairs in accordance with the requirements given in 5C 6.6.3.1 to 5C 6.6.3.6.

**5C.6.6.3.1** The angle of inclination of the stair shall not exceed 50° from the horizontal and the clear width of the stair shall be not less than 600 mm.

**5C.6.6.3.2** The tread shall have a non-slip surface which shall be not less than 150 mm wide for open stair construction and not less than 20cm wide for closed stair construction.

**5C.6.6.3.3** The rise of the stair shall not exceed 250 mm.

**5C.6.6.3.4** A hand rail shall be provided on the outer stringer of all stairways fixed at a convenient height, but not less than 500 mm high measured vertically from the nosings, and not less than 1m high on landings and platforms. Such hand rail shall have at least 50 mm clearance between nearest permanent object at the corresponding side of the stair.

**5C.6.6.3.5** Headroom clearance of not less than 2 m measured from the nosings of the stairway, shall be provided on every stairway.

**5C.6.6.3.6** Heights of stairs over 5 m in length shall be provided with intermediate landings.

NOTE – Where compliance with any of the requirements specified in 5C.6.6.1 to 5C.6.6.3 is impracticable, applications for variation shall be made to the Authority, who may, vary such requirements.

**5C.6.6.4** Access to a machine room in a basement may be provided from a corridor.

**5C.6.6.5** Access to a machine room via the lift well shall be prohibited.

**5C.6.6.6** The lift pit should be capable of being examined by a separate access. In the case of a battery of two lifts, it is possible to examine the lift pit through the adjoining one.

#### **5C.6.7 Fire Protection**

To prevent fire from spreading by means of the lift well, lift well enclosures shall conform to the requirements given in 'Myanmar Fire Safety code of practices'. The machine room should be

constructed of a suitable grade of fire-resisting material and precautions should be taken to minimize spread of fire from the machine room into the lift well see also 5C.7.3.14.

### **5C.6.8 Requirements for Fireman's Lift**

**5C.6.8.1** For buildings having height of 24 m or more atleast one lift shall meet the requirements of fireman's lift as given in 5C.6.8.2.

**5C.6.8.2** The fireman's lift shall have the following minimum requirements:

- a) Lift car shall have floor area of not less than 1.44 square meters. It shall also have a loading capacity of not less than 550 kg (8 persons).
- b) Lift landing doors shall have a minimum of fire resistance of one hour.
- c) Doors shall be of automatic operation for car and landing.

**5C.6.8.3** Fireman's lifts in a building having more than 24 m or more height, shall work at or above the speed of 1.0 m/s so as to reach the top floor from ground level within one minute.

### **5C.6.8.4 Operation Requirements of Fireman's Lift**

The lift shall be provided with the following as a minimum:

- a) A two position switch at evacuation floor (normally main entrance floor) (ON/OFF), and
- b) Buzzer and 'Fireman's lift' – light in car

#### **5C.6.8.4.1 Sequence of operation:**

a) Return to evacuation floor (Phase 1):

- 1) Shall start when the switch at the evacuation floor is turned to the "ON" position or the signal from smoke detector (if provided by the Building Management System) is on. All lift(s) controlled by this switch shall cancel all existing car calls and separate from landing calls and no landing or car calls shall be registered. The buzzer and "fireman's lift" light shall be turned on. All heat and smoke sensitive door reopening devices shall be rendered inoperative.
- 2) If the lift is travelling towards the evacuation floor, it shall continue driving to that floor.
- 3) If the lift is travelling away from the evacuation floor, it shall reverse its direction at the nearest possible floor without opening its doors and return non-stop to the evacuation floor.
- 4) If the lift is standing at a floor other than the evacuation floor, it shall close the door and start travelling non-stop to the evacuation floor.
- 5) When at the evacuation floor the lift shall park with doors open.
- 6) The buzzer is turned off after this return drive.

b) Fireman's service (Phase 2):

The phase 2 operation of the lift shall be as defined below.

- 1) The phase 2 is started after phase 1, if the switch is "ON".
- 2) The lift does not respond to landing calls but registers car calls. All heat and smoke sensitive door reopening devices are rendered inoperative.
- 3) When the car call button is pressed the doors start closing. If the button is released before the doors are fully closed, they re-open. The car calls is registered only when the doors are fully closed.
- 4) After registering a car call the lift starts driving to the call. If more than one car call is registered, only the nearest call is answered and the remaining calls will be cancelled at the first stop.
- 5) At the floor the doors are opened by pushing the door open button. If the button is released before the doors are fully open, they re-close.
- 6) The lift returns to normal service when it stands at the evacuation floor with doors open and the switch is "OFF".

### **5C.6.9 Supply Cables and Switches**

Each lift should be provided with a main switch or circuit breaker of a capacity determined by the lift manufacturer and the incoming supply cable should terminate in this switch. For a single lift, this switch should be fixed adjacent to the machine room entrance inside the machine room. In a machine room common to more than one lift, each main switch should be conveniently situated with respect to the lift it controls. Switches and fuses (which may form part of a distribution switch-board) should be provided for isolating the supply cables to the machine room.

**5C.6.10** The detailed design considerations for different types and selection of the lifts shall be done in accordance with Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version .

## **5C.7 POWER AND CONTROL SYSTEMS**

### **5C.7.1 Features Associated with Power Systems**

#### **5C.7.1.1 Industrial Switchgear**

Switchgear for controlling lift power systems is characterized by its high duty cycle and its high rupturing capacity. Switchgear must be robust enough and shall be so designed as to withstand the high duty cycle and high rupturing capacity introduced during the operation of the lifts.

#### **5C.7.1.2 Levelling Accuracy**

The Levelling tolerances in not more than  $\pm 5\text{mm}$ , are those which can be reasonably expected between no load and full load in either direction.

Where greater Levelling accuracy is required, careful examination should be made to see whether such increased precision is justified or practical. Advice should also be obtained, as additional apparatus and cost may be involved, and in some cases the requirement may not be practicable.

#### **5C.7.1.3 Overload Tests**

A lift is designed to operate and transport the contract load at the required duty cycle, and should not by intention or habitually be used to carry overloads. During test as a safeguard to cover variable supply and temperature conditions a lift is checked for the car to complete one round trip with contract load plus 10 percent at nominal supply voltage and nominal ambient temperature.

There is also static test with contract load plus 25 percent to check that the brake will sustain the car.

It is unnecessary to specify an additional overload test or capacity and in fact it is detrimental to the normal running efficiency and safety of the lift to do so.

#### **5C.7.1.4 Occasional Extra Load**

It is not good practice to request that a lift should be designed to carry an occasional extra load. It is tantamount to specifying an excessive overload test which is detrimental to the normal running efficiency and safety of the lift.

### **5C.7.2 Description of Operation Systems**

#### **5C.7.2.1 Methods of Control Systems**

The methods of control systems are as follows:

- a) Attendant and dual control (see 5C.7.2.2) and
- b) Automatic push button operation (see 5C.7.2.2).

##### **5C.7.2.1.1 Types of control systems**

- a) Collective control (see 5C.7.2.3)
- b) Single push button collective control (see 5C.7.2.4)
- c) Down collective control (see 5C.7.2.5)
- d) Directional collective control for one car (see 5C.7.2.6)
- e) Directional collective control for two or three cars (see 5C.7.2.7)
- f) Group supervisory control (see 5C.7.2.8)

Features of control systems are described in 5C. 7.3.

#### **5C.7.2.2 Automatic Push Button Operation**

Automatic control is a method of operation by which a momentary pressure on a push button sets the car in motion and causes it to stop automatically at any required lift landing. This is the simplest control system and it is sometimes referred to as push button control.

A car answers a landing or car call whichever is actuated first by momentary pressure provided the lift is not in use. Momentary pressure of a car push button will send the car to the designated floor. The car always responds to a car push button in preference to a landing push button.

With this type of control, a RED landing signal light or direction arrow indicates that the car is in use that is the lift is travelling.

This type of control is recommended for the following applications.

- a) A single passenger lift serving up to 4 floors.
- b) Goods lifts serving any number of floors where it is usually the most suitable form of control.

For special purposes, the following two systems may be considered:

- a) Despatch from landings as an additional feature for a goods lift with manually operated doors. The call is registered by pressing the car push button and when the doors are closed the car will travel to the designed floor.
- b) Automatic with attendant control as an additional feature on goods lifts with a key operated switch in the car to transfer the control from normal automatic to attendant operation. There is also a visual call indicator with buzzer in the car to indicate to the attendant the landing floors at which push buttons have been pressed when the car is under attendant control.

### **5C.7.2.3 Collective Control**

Collective control is a generic term for those methods of automatic operation by which calls made by pressing push buttons in the car and at lift landings are registered and answered by the car stopping in floor sequence at each lift landing for which calls have been registered irrespective of the order in which the calls have been made, and until all calls have had attention.

Collective control of any form is usually not suitable for goods lifts except where loading is not expected to fill the car and additional loads can be taken at other stops.

### **5C.7.2.4 Single Push Button Collective Control**

Single push button collective control has a single push button at each landing. It is not recommended, as the direction in which it is desired to travel cannot be registered by the intending passenger.

### **5C.7.2.5 Down Collective Control**

Down collective is a control system where landing calls are registered from a single push button, irrespective of the car being in motion or the landing door being open and calls are stored until answered. Any number of car calls can be registered and the car will stop in sequence in the down direction at each of the designated floors. The car will travel in the up direction to the highest call registered stopping only in response to car calls. It will then travel downwards answering calls in floor sequence. If only one call has been registered the car travels to the floor of call.

This system is suitable where there is traffic between the ground and upper floors only and no interfloor traffic. Two or three car banks have interconnected control.

With this type of control the following signals are included:

- a) A landing signal light indicates that the call has been registered and will be answered.
- b) Illuminated car position indicator above the entrance in the car.
- c) Arrow shaped signal lights in the back of the car or on the landing to indicate to the entering person in which direction the car is going to depart.

### **5C.7.2.6 Directional Collective Control for One Car**

Directional collective control for one car is a control system having UP and DOWN push buttons at intermediate landings whereby the call is registered for the intended direction of travel. Calls from the car or landing push buttons are registered and stored until answered. The car will answer

calls in floor sequence in one direction of travel. Calls for the opposite direction of travel are answered when the direction of travel is reversed.

This system is suitable for single lifts serving 4 or more floors with interfloor traffic, such as small office blocks, hotels and blocks of flats.

With this type of control the following signals are included:

- a) A landing signal light for each landing push button indicated that the call has been registered and will be answered.
- b) Illuminated car position indicator above the entrance in the car.
- c) Arrow shaped signal lights in the back of the car or on the landing to indicate to the entering person in which direction the car is going to depart.

#### **5C.7.2.7 Directional Collective Control for Two or Three Cars**

Directional collective control for two or three cars is a system covering a control in which the two or three cars in a bank are interconnected. One push button unit with UP and DOWN push buttons or floor buttons (in case of car control from floor) are required at each landing and the call system is common to all lifts. If for architectural balance, in the case of a three car bank, extra push button units are required, these should be specified. Each landing call is automatically allocated to the best placed car. The control is designed so that cars are effectively spaced and thus give even service. When a car reaches the highest floor to which there is a call its direction of travel is automatically reversed when it next starts. One or more cars will return to the parking floor.

Automatically bypassing of landing calls when a car is fully loaded is an essential feature for three-car banks. It is also necessary for two-car banks in offices. Other cars will continue to provide service to all floors.

When three-car banks serve 7 or 8 floors and over, some form of automatic supervisory control (see 5C.7.2.8) is generally necessary in the interest of efficiency.

With this type of control the following signals are included:

- a) A landing signal light for each landing push button to indicate that the call has been registered and will be answered.
- b) Illuminated car position indicator above the entrance in the car.
- c) Arrow shaped signal lights in conjunction with an audible single stroke gong or an indication on the landing call push button station above each landing entrance to indicate to the waiting person(s) which car is going to stop and in which direction it will continue its course.

#### **5C.7.2.8 Group Supervisory Control**

A bank or group of intensive traffic passengers lifts requires a supervisory system to co-ordinate the operation of individual lifts which are all on collective control and are interconnected.

The very nature of intensive service calls for a sophisticated automatic supervisory control system so as to match the speed capacity of these lifts.

The supervisory system regulates the despatching of individual cars and provides service to all floors as different traffic conditions arise minimizing such unproductive factors as idle cars, uneven service and excessive waiting time. The system will respond automatically to traffic conditions such as UP and DOWN peaks, balanced or light traffic and provides for other specialized features.

If desired, a master station can be provided in the lift lobby which gives by indicators, visual information regarding the pattern under which the system is operating. Where the system is based on a definite programme, control means are provided for altering the type of traffic programme. There are other facilities, such as the removal of any lift from service.

### **5C.7.3 Features of Operation Systems**

#### **5C.7.3.1 Car Preference**

Sometimes it is necessary to give a special personal service or a house service. When this service is required and for whatever purpose, it should be specified as 'car preference' is by a key operated switch in the car. The operation is then from the car only and the doors remain open until a car call is registered for a floor destination. All landing calls are bypassed and car position indicators on the landing for this lift are not illuminated. The removal of the key when the special operation is completed restores the control to normal service.

#### **5C.7.3.2 Landing Call Automatic Bypass**

For collective operation, automatic bypassing of landing calls can be provided. This device will bypass landing calls when a car is fully loaded but the calls are not cancelled.

#### **5C.7.3.3 Motor Generator Shut Down**

Lifts controlled by variable voltage system automatically shutdown when subject to an overriding control which puts them out of service under certain conditions, for example, no demand for lift service. They are automatically put back into service as required.

#### **5C.7.3.4 Basement Service**

For lifts with collective control when service is required below the main parking floor, which is usually the ground floor, to a basement and/or a sub-basement, the lift maker should be informed of the type of service required, as special technical considerations are then usually necessary.

#### **5C.7.3.5 Hospital Service**

Lifts for carrying beds and stretchers require a car preference switch so than an attendant can have complete control of the car when required. This requirement should be specified as 'car preference' and it will function as described in 5C.7.3.1. Otherwise such lifts can have the same control system as for normal passenger lift, the choice depending on the number of floors and served, the service required and the number of lifts.

#### **5C.7.3.6 Manually Operated Doors (Without Closers)**

A 'door open' alarm should be provided to draw attention to a car or landing door which has been left open.

### **5C.7.3.7 Automatically Power Closed Doors**

For passenger operation when the cars arrives at a landing the door will automatically open and then close after lapse of a time interval. This time interval can be overruled by the pressure of a push button in the car to give instant door closing.

An 'open door' push button is provided in the car to reverse closing motion of the doors or hold them open.

### **5C.7.3.8 Controlled Power Closed Doors**

When there are conditions that particularly affect the safety of passengers or damage to vehicles or turcks, the closing of the door should only be made by the continuous pressure of push buttons in the car or on landings.

A 'door open' alarm should be provided to draw attentions to a car or landing door which has been left open. This means of operation is required for some forms of good lifts.

### **5C.7.3.9 Safe Operation of Doors**

The safety of passengers passing through lift entrances is fully covered by the provision of Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version Myanmar Electricity (lift) Rule & Regulation, CP 2 2009, EN 81-1-1998. No modification of these provisions should be specified.

### **5C.7.3.10 Director Service**

There are many forms of giving special service for individuals, but they should always be avoided. They range from key operated switches at preferred landings to the complete segregation of one out of a bank of lifts. It is obvious that any preferential treatment of this nature can seriously jeopardize the efficiency of the service as a whole. When a bank of say three lifts is installed to meet the anticipated traffic requirements and then, when the buildings is occuppies, one lift is detached permanently for directors' service, the traffic handling can be reduced by a half rather than a third.

When preferential service is imperative, then the car preference feature should be available (see 5C.7.3.1)

### **5C.7.3.11 Indication of Car Arrival**

As all lift cars are illuminated when available (in service). It is recommended that this illumination be used to signal the arrival of a car at a landing.

The following is the practice adopted for vision panels in doors:

- a) For lifts with manually operated car and landing doors, vision panels are provided in all doors
- b) For lifts with power operated car doors and manually operated landing doors, vision panels are provided in the landing doors only
- c) For lift with automatically opened car and landing doors, no vision panels are required and

### **5C.7.3.12 Service Switches**

When switches are provided to take cars out of service, that is because the remaining cars in the groups can cater for the required passenger traffic, it is essential that such switches should not stop the fireman's control from being operative in the event of the lift being designated as a fireman's lift. Service switches should not be confused with maintenance switches which are only used when it is dangerous to attempt to operate the lift because maintenance work is actually in progress. A control station fitted on top of the car is regarded as a maintenance switch.

### **5C.7.3.13 Fire Switch**

When required by the fire authority a fire switch has to be provided, the function of which is to enable the fire authority to take over the complete control of one or more lifts in an installation.

### **5C.7.3.14 Push Buttons and Signals**

It is most important that the purpose of every push button and signal should be clearly understood by all passengers.

**5C.7.3.15** In public places where blind persons are expected to use the lifts it is recommended to provide Braille buttons.

## **5C.7.4 Electrical Installation Requirements**

### **5C.7.4.1 General**

The lift are requirements for main switches and wiring with reference to relevant regulations. The lift maker should specify, on a schedule, particulars of full load current, starting current, maximum permissible voltage drop, size of switches and other details to suit requirements. For multiple lifts a diversity factor may be used to determine the cable size and should be stated by the lift manufacturer.

- a) Power supply mains – The lift sub-circuit from the intake room should be separate from other building service.

Each lift should be capable of being isolated from the mains supply. This means of isolation should be lockable.

- b) For banks of interconnected lifts, a separate sub-circuit is required for the common supervisory system, in order that any car may be shut down without isolating the supervisory control of the remainder.
- c) Lighting – Machine rooms and all other rooms containing lift equipment should be provided with adequate illumination and with a switch fixed adjacent to the entrance. At least one socket outlet, suitable for lamps or tools, should be provided in each room.

The supply to the car light should be from a separate circuit, and controlled by a switch in the machine room. For multiple lifts with a common machine room a separate supply should be provided for each car. The car lighting supply should be independent of the power supply mains. Plug should be provided with a light, the switch for which should be in the lift well, and accessible from the lower terminal floor entrance.

When the alarm system is connected to a transformer or trickle charger, the supply should be taken from the machine room lighting.

#### **5C.7.4.2 Electric Wiring and Apparatus**

**5C.7.4.2.1** All electrical supply lines and apparatus in connection with the lift installation shall be so constructed and shall be so installed, protected, worked and maintained that there may be no danger to persons therefrom.

**5C.7.4.2.2** All metal casings or metallic coverings containing or protecting any electric supply lines of apparatus shall be efficiently earthed.

**5C.7.4.2.3** No bare conductor shall be used in any lift car as may cause danger to persons.

**5C.7.4.2.4** All cables and other wiring in connection with the lift installation shall be of suitable grade for the voltage at which these are intended to be worked and if metallic covering is used it shall be efficiently earthed.

**5C.7.4.2.5** Suitable caution notice shall be affixed near every motor or other apparatus in which energy is used at a pressure exceeding 250 V.

**5C.7.4.2.6** Circuits which supply current to the motor shall not be included in any twin or multicore trailing cable used in connection with the control and safety devices.

**5C.7.4.2.7** A single trailing cable for lighting control and signal circuit shall be permitted, if all the conductors of this trailing cable are insulated for maximum voltage running through any one conductor of this cable.

#### **5C.7.4.3 Emergency Signal or Telephone**

It is recommendatory that lift car be provided either with an emergency signal that is operative from the lift car audible outside the lift well or with a telephone.

When an alarm bell is to be provided each car is fitted with an alarm push which is wired to a terminal box in the lift well at the ground floor by the lift maker. This alarm bell, to be supplied by the lift maker (with indicator for more than one lift) should be fixed in an agreed position and wired to the lift well. The supply may be from a battery (or transformer) fixed in the machine room or, when available, from the building fire alarm supply.

When a telephone is to be provided in the lift car the lift maker should fit the cabinet in the car and provided wiring from the car to a terminal box adjacent to the lift well.

The type of telephone should be stated in the enquiry.

#### **5C.7.4.4 Earthing**

**5C.7.4.4.1** The terminal for the earthing of the frame of the motor, the winding machine, the frame of the control panel, the cases and covers of the tappet switch and similar electric appliances which normally carry the main current shall be at least equivalent to a 5 mm diameter bolt, stud or screw. The cross-sectional area of copper earthing conductor shall be not smaller than half that of the largest current – carrying conductor subject to an upper limit of 65 mm<sup>2</sup> ( Part 5

A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version) CP 2- 2009 & Myanmar Electricity rule & Regulation.

**5C.7.4.4.2** The terminal for the earthing of the metallic cases and covers of door interlocks, door contacts, call and control buttons, stop buttons, car switches, limit switches, junction boxes and similar electrical fittings which normally carry only the control current (such terminal being one specially provided for this purpose), and the earth conductor should be appropriately sized in accordance with Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version Myanmar Electricity rule & Regulation 1985.

The size of earthing conductor shall be in accordance with Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version .

**5C.7.4.4.3** The earthing conductor shall be secured to earthing terminal in accordance with the recommendations made in Part 5 A&B Electrical and Allied Installation MNBC 2012 or Latest version, Myanmar Electricity rule & Regulation 1985 and also in conformity with the latest provisions of Myanmar Electricity rule & Regulation and Rules framed thereunder from time to time.

**5C.7.4.4.4** The exposed metal parts of electrical apparatus installed on a lift car shall be sufficiently bonded and earthed.

**5C.7.4.4.5** Where screwed conduit screws into electric fittings carrying control current making the case and cover electrically continuous with the conduit, the earthing of the conduit may be considered to earth the fitting. Where flexible conduit is used for leading into a fitting, the fitting and such length of flexible conduit shall be effectively earthed.

**5C.7.4.4.6** One side of the secondary winding of bell transformers and their cases shall be earthed.

**5C.7.4.4.7** Where there are more than one lift in a building, there should be a separate earth pit for the lifts.

### **5C.7.5 Building Management Systems – Interface for Lifts**

**5C.7.5.1** Where more than three lifts are provided in a building and especially when these are provided at different locations in the building a form of central monitoring may be provided. Such central monitoring may be through a Building Management Systems, if provided in the building or through a display panel.

**5C.7.5.2** The following signals should be given to the building management interface from each lift.

- a) Alarm button in car,
- b) Door Zone or floor level information,
- c) Lift moving information,
- d) Power on information and
- e) Lift position information.

**5C.7.5.3** Each of these signals shall be provided through a potential free contact located in the lift machine room. The contacts shall be rated for 230 V ac/1A or 24 V dc/1A. A pair of wires should be used for each potential contact.

**5C.7.5.4** The wiring between lift machine room to Building Management Systems shall be planned and carried out by the builder along with other wiring in the building.

**5C.7.5.5** The building management system should ensure that any position information is read only when the lift is moving (lift moving information) or is capable of reading several times to detect a stable state.

In addition to the signals above the following signals may be added if required for the benefit of monitoring the lift performance.

- a) A summary fault output to indicate a lift in fault condition, which prevents the lift from providing service. This summary fault condition shall include the most common faults such as safety circuit open.
- b) Service or inspection mode.
- c) Attendant mode.
- d) Fire mode.
- e) Doors opening.
- f) Doors closing.
- g) Lift moving up.

(In combination with lift moving and lift moving up information, lift moving down information can be sensed by the Building Management Systems).

- h) Door Reopen Request (Summary of Door Open, Light Curtain, Photocell, Safety Edge Signals).

**5C.7.5.6** Where it is desired that it should be possible to control the lift from Building Management Systems, the following control signals can be provided.

- a) Normal to service/inspection mode change over.
- b) Fault Accept/Rest Input

(Using this input, the lift controller may be allowed to clear an existing fault if this is other wise safe. It will be decided by the Lift manufacturer as to what faults can be cleared)

- c) Car call to top most floor and bottom most floor of each lift.

Where such control inputs are provided, it should be with a pass word and login feature that allows one to determine who has used these inputs and at what time. Always such inputs should be through authorized person only. The Building Management Systems should make all changeovers effective only when lift is not moving.

**5C.7.5.7** Control inputs from Building Management Systems should be through a potential free contact capable of carrying 24 V dc/1A or 230 V ac/1A. The wiring should be terminated in each lift machine room.

## **5C.8 CONDITIONS FOR OPTIMUM PRACTICE**

### **5C.8.1 Lift Entrance Operation**

#### **5C.8.1.1 General**

Every lift journey involves two horizontal movements, in and out of the car, to one vertical movement. The type of door, and the operation of the doors, play a main part in the service given, and should receive careful consideration.

#### **5C.8.1.2 Goods Traffic**

Most types of goods traffic require relatively longer loading and unloading times and manual doors are frequently used for economy and simplicity.

Power operation can be applied, especially for large entrances, to give automatic opening: the doors then always open fully, reducing the risk of damage. For many types of goods traffic, it is preferable for closing though powered, to be controlled by continuous pressure button, rather than being.

For heavy duty lifts, a power operated vertically sliding door preferred, this can be made extremely robust, and is capable of extension to very large entrances.

#### **5C.8.2 Painting at Works and on Site**

Lift equipment with normally receive a protective coat of paint at works before dispatch to site. Further painting of lift equipment may be necessary and is normally in the form of a finishing coat and can take place on site. Alternatively, the further painting of the equipment may be carried out at works as a finishing coat with normal touching up after site erection as may be necessary.

Any additional painting, due to site conditions during erection and/or final operating conditions in the premises, is subject to negotiation between the lift maker and the purchaser.

Decorative finishes are a subject for separate negotiation.

#### **5C.8.3 Special Environments**

Standard equipment is suitable for use inside normal residential, commercial and industrial buildings but when unusual environments are likely to be encountered, the advice of the lift maker should be sought at the earliest possible stage to enable the most economic satisfactory solution to be found. Special mechanical protection and or electrical enclosures may be necessary as well as compliance with statutory or other regulations and with the purchaser's particular requirements, which should be fully considered at the time of enquiry.

Examples of situations which necessitate special consideration are:

- a) Exposure to weather, for example, car parks.
- b) Low temperatures, for example, cold stores.
- c) High temperature, for example, boiler plant.
- d) Hosing – down for example, for hygiene or decontamination.
- e) Corrosive atmosphere, for example, chemical works.
- f) Dusty atmospheres, for example, gas plant.
- g) Explosive and inflammable atmosphere, for example gas plants and petroleum and polyester industries.

#### **5C.8.4 Ventilation of Machine Rooms**

Machine rooms shall be ventilated. They shall be such that the motors and equipment as well as electric cables etc, are protected as far as possible from dust, harmful dusts and humidity. The ambient temperature in the machine room shall be maintained between 5°C and 40°C.

#### **5C.8.5 Lighting and Treatment of Walls, Floors, Etc**

**5C.8.5.1** All machine rooms should be considered as plant space, and conditions provided to permit reliable operation of electrical switchgear and rotating machinery, and be conducive to good maintenance.

Lighting should be provided to give at least 200 lux around the controller and machine. The machine room walls, ceiling and floor should be faced in dust-resisting materials, tiles, etc, or painted as minimum to stop dust circulation which otherwise could damage rotating machinery and cause failure of switchgear. Machine rooms should also be weatherproof and if ventilation louvers are provided they should be designed and sited to prevent snow being driven through or to the apparatus.

**5C.8.5.2** Lift wells should be constructed to be weatherproof and of a dust free surface material or should be painted to minimize dust circulation on to moving apparatus and from being pumped by the car movement into machine rooms or on to landings.

Sufficient number of light points should be provided in the lift shaft for proper illumination.

**5C.8.5.3** Should a lift entrance open out into an area expected to be weather the entrance should be protected by a suitable canopy and the ground level slope up to the entrance to prevent during rain or surface drainage from entering the lift well through the clearances around the landing doors. Any push buttons so enclosed should be of weatherproof type.

#### **5C.8.6 Stairwell Enclosure**

The location of lifts in stairwells is not recommended.

The use of stair stringers for fixing of guides normally involves extensive site measurement in order to fabricate purpose-made brackets. The resulting attachments are often unreliable and lacking in robustness. For stairwells of normal width, the span required for the lift machine support beams is excessive and unless uneconomic sections are used the deflections under varying load adversely affect the motor of the lift.

The necessary provision of suitable continuous enclosures can be very expensive.

#### **5C.8.7 Handwinding Release Procedure and Indication**

The release procedure by handwinding should only be carried out in an emergency and by authorized persons who have received the necessary instruction because it is dangerous for any other persons to attempt to do so.

Before attempting to move the car, it is imperative that any person in the car be warned of the intention to move the car and that they do not attempt to leave the car until they are advised that it is safe to do so. Any failure to carry out this precaution may render the person concerned guilty of negligence should an accident occur.

Before attempting to handwind the lift machine, it is vital that the supply is switched off at the main switch.

It is usually necessary to have two persons in the machine room: one to operate the brake release and the other to carry out the handwinding. The exceptions are small lift machines where the handwinding can be easily controlled by one man and larger machines which need two men to operate the handwinding alone with an additional man to control the brake release.

If the car is stuck in the lift well and cannot be moved when an attempt is made to move it in a downward direction, then no attempt at handwinding should be made because the car safety gear may have set. Any further procedure should be carried out under the instruction of a qualified lift mechanic.

Provided the car is free to be moved in the downward direction, then it should be hand wound to the nearest floor. There is a preference to move the car in a downward direction. However, this may not always be practical owing to the distance involved and the time taken to complete the movement. In addition the amount of out of balance load on the counterweight side, due to the size of car and the small number of persons inside it, may make it necessary to wind the car upwards. In the case of higher speed lifts the direction of handwinding will usually be governed by effort required to move the car because of the absence of a large gear reduction ratio.

It is essential that all detail operations be carried out according to the manufacturer's instructions for the lift concerned and these should be clearly stated and permanently displayed in the form of a notice in the machine room.

## **5C.9 RUNNING AND MAINTENANCE**

**5C.9.1** The lift installation should receive regular cleaning, lubrication, adjustment and adequate servicing by authorized competent persons at such intervals as the type of equipment and frequency of service demand. In order that the lift installation is maintained at all times in a safe condition, a proper maintenance schedule shall be drawn up in consultation with the lift manufacturer and rigidly followed. The provision of a log book to record all items relating to general servicing and inspection is recommended for all lifts. It is essential that the electrical circuit diagram of the lift with the sequence of operation of different components and parts should be kept readily available for the persons responsible for the maintenance and replacement where necessary.

**5C.9.2** Particular attention may be directed for through periodical examination of wire ropes when in service. Attention should also be directed to the thorough examination of the groove of drums, sheaves and pulleys when installing a new rope. A groove deepened by rope wear is liable to lead to early failure of a new rope unless the groove is returned.

**5C.9.3** Any accident arising out of operation of maintenance of the lifts should be duly reported to the Authority in accordance with the rules laid down. A notice may be put in the machine room to this effect.

## **5C.10 PROCEDURE FOLLOWING TEST, INCLUDING INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE**

### **5C.10.1 Acceptance**

The purchaser should make timely arrangement for accepting the lift on completion of test, and for insurance cover. Special arrangements (see 5C.10.4) are necessary if there is no break interval before the lift goes into normal service.

### **5C.10.2 Guarantee and Servicing**

Any guarantee provided by the lift maker should be conditional upon the lift receiving regular and adequate servicing, and should cover the free replacement of parts which prove defective through reasons of fault, materials or workmanship in the guarantee period, which is generally twelve months.

To ensure the continuance of satisfactory and safe operation, the purchaser (or building occupier) should arrange for the completed lift to receive regular servicing by competent persons at such intervals as the type of equipment and intensity of operation demand. Such service can be secured under a service contract. It is desirable and normal for the lift maker to be entrusted with the servicing during the guarantee period of a new lift.

The scope of a service contract may be extended to cover not only regular servicing, but also intermediate service calls, repairs and replacement of worn parts.

The building owner should co-operate with the service engineer, and should ensure that the equipment is properly used, and that unauthorized persons are not permitted to enter the lift well or machine rooms.

Particular attention should be paid to methods of ensuring that lifts are not overloaded when they are used in connection with furniture and equipment removals, and internal redecoration and other similar activities, which may be undertaken within the building.

### **5C.10.3 Statutory Examinations**

Lifts in certain premises are required by statutory regulations to be examined at intervals, as specified by the Lift Rule and Regulation, by a competent person, who is required to report on a prescribed form. Such reports should normally be kept in a register.

Statutory examinations are not a substitute for servicing, the provision of statutory reports may be specially included in a service contract or may be arranged separately.

### **5C.10.4 Lift not in Immediate Use (Shut Down Maintenance)**

When conditions do not permit a lift to be taken to normal service immediately following completion and acceptance, it should be immobilized. The main contractor should take effective precautions against damage especially to finishes, or damage to equipment from dampness and builder's debris, until such time as the lift is required.

A separate service contract should be made with the lift maker to make regular visits during this period, to inspect, lubricate and report on the condition of the lift.

A date should also be agreed with the lift maker from which his guarantee period will commence.

### **5C.10.5 Temporary Use of Lifts**

If the purchaser intends to permit temporary use of a lift by some other party, such as the building contractor, before taking it into normal service, so that it is not immobilized, then the responsibilities of those concerned should be clearly defined and agreed. In addition to the precautions noted in 5C.10.4, temporary insurance cover should be arranged.

If temporary use of lifts is envisaged, it should preferably be given consideration at an early stage, having regard to the conditions under which it is likely to take place.

### 5C.10.6 Cleaning Down

Acceptance following test should include checking the condition of decorative finishes, before the lift maker leaves the site.

After a shut down (or temporary service) period, the lift may require a further general cleaning down immediately before taking into normal service. The lift maker should be instructed accordingly to undertake this work and if any accidental damage has occurred to repair this at the same time. Both these items should be the subject of extra costs.

## 5C.11 ESCALATORS

**5C.11.1** Escalators are deemed essential where the movement of people, in large numbers at a controlled rate in the maximum of space, is involved, for example, railway stations, air-ports, etc. In exhibitions big departmental stores and the like, escalators encourage people to circulate freely and conveniently.

**5C.11.1.1** As the escalators operate at a constant speed, serve only two levels and have a known maximum capacity, the traffic study is rather easy. Provided the population to be handled in a given time is known, it is easy to predict the rate at which the population can be handled.

**5C.11.1.2** For normal peak periods, the recommended handling capacities for design purposes should be taken as 3200 to 6400 persons per hour depending upon the width of the escalator.

The number of persons that may be theoretically carried by the escalator in 1 hr. can be calculated as follows:

For determination of theoretical capacity it is assumed that one step with an average depth of 0.4 m can carry 1 person for a step width of 0.6 m, 1.5 persons for a step width of 0.8 m and 2 persons for a step width of 1.0 m.

The theoretical capacity then is:

$$3600 \times (\text{rated speed in m/s} \times k) / 0.4$$

Where

$$K=1.15, \text{ or } 2 \text{ for } 0.6, 0.8 \text{ and } 1.0 \text{ m step widths.}$$

Some values calculated as per the above are:

Step width	Theoretical Capacity in Persons/hour		
	0.5 m/s speed	0.65 m/s speed	0.75 m/s speed
0.6 m	4 500	5 850	6 750
0.8 m	6 750	8 775	10 125
1.0 m	9 000	11 700	13 500

### 5C.11.2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given the following apply.

#### 5C.11.2.1 Angle of inclination

Maximum angle to the horizontal in which the steps, the pallets or the belt move

### **5C.11.2.2 Balustrade**

Part of the escalator/moving walk which ensures the user's safety by providing stability, protecting from moving parts and supporting the handrail

### **5C.11.2.3 Balustrade decking**

Transverse member of the balustrade which meets the handrail guidance profile and which forms the top cover of the balustrade

### **5C.11.2.4 Brake load**

Load on the step/pallet/belt which the brake system is designed to stop the escalator/moving walk

### **5C.11.2.5 Comb**

Pronged section at each landing that meshes with the grooves

### **5C.11.2.6 Comb plate**

Platform at each landing to which the combs are attached

### **5C.11.2.7 Electrical safety system**

Safety related part of the electrical control system as an arrangement of safety circuits and monitoring devices

### **5C.11.2.8 Electrical safety devices**

Part of a safety circuit consisting of safety switches and/or fail safe circuits

### **5C.11.2.9 Escalator**

Power-driven, inclined, continuous moving stairway used for raising or lowering persons in which the user carrying surface (e.g. steps) remains horizontal

**NOTE** Escalators are machines - even when they are out of operation - and cannot be considered as fixed staircases.

### **5C.11.2.10 Exterior panel**

Part of the exterior side of the enclosure of an escalator or moving walk

### **5C.11.2.11 Fail safe circuit**

Safety related electrical and/or electronic system with defined failure mode behaviour

### **5C.11.2.12 Handrail**

Power-driven moving rail for persons to grip while using the escalator or moving walk

### **5C.11.2.13 Interior panel**

Panel located between the skirting or lower inner decking and the handrail guidance profile or balustrade decking

#### **5C.11.2.14 Lower inner decking**

Profile that connects the skirting with the interior panel when they do not meet at a common point

#### **5C.11.2.15 Lower outer decking**

Profile that connects the exterior panels with the interior panel

#### **5C.11.2.16 Machinery**

Escalator or moving walk machine(s) mechanisms and associated equipment

#### **5C.11.2.17 Machinery spaces**

Space(s) inside or outside of the truss where the machinery as a whole or in parts is placed

#### **5C.11.2.18 Maximum capacity**

Maximum flow of persons that can be achieved under operational conditions

#### **5C.11.2.19 Moving walk**

Power-driven installation for the conveyance of persons in which the user carrying surface remains parallel to its direction of motion and is uninterrupted (e.g. pallets, belt)

**NOTE** Moving walks are machines - even when they are out of operation – and should not be used as a fixed access.

#### **5C.11.2.20 Newel**

End of the balustrade

#### **5C.11.2.21 Nominal speed**

Speed in the direction of the moving steps, pallets or the belt, when operating the equipment under no load condition (i.e. without persons), stated by the manufacturer as that for which the escalator or moving walk has been designed

**NOTE** Rated speed is the speed the escalator/moving walk moves under rated load conditions.

#### **5C.11.2.22 Rated load**

Load which the equipment is designed to move

#### **5C.11.2.23 Rise**

Vertical distance between the upper and lower finished floor levels

#### **5C.11.2.24 Safety circuit**

Part of the electric safety system consisting of electrical safety devices

#### **5C.11.2.25 Skirting**

Vertical part of the balustrade interfacing with the steps, pallets or belt

#### **5C.11.2.26 Skirt deflector**

Device to minimize the risk of trapping between the step and the skirting

### 5C.11.2.27 Stand-by operation

Mode in which an escalator/moving walk can be stopped or operated under no load condition with any speed below the nominal speed

### 5C.11.3 Symbols and abbreviations

The following symbols and corresponding units of measurement of the following Table 1 are used in this standard.

**Table 1 — Symbols and corresponding units of measurement used in this standard**

Symbol	Designation	Unit	Figure
b1	Distance between the handrail centre lines	m	3
b2	Width of the handrail	mm	3
b3	Horizontal distance between skirting and interior panel	mm	3
b4	Width of the horizontal part of the lower inner decking that directly joins the interior panel	mm	3
b5	Horizontal distance between the inner edge of the handrail and the top edge of the interior panel	mm	3
b6', b6"	Horizontal distance between the handrail profile and guide or cover profiles	mm	3
b7	Width of the grooves	mm	2
b8	Web width	mm	2
b9	Horizontal distance between the outer edge of the handrail and a non- continuous obstruction, e.g. roof intersection, column	mm	A.1
b10	Horizontal distance between the outer edge of the handrail and a continuous obstruction, e.g. wall	mm	A.1
b11	Horizontal distance between the handrails of adjacent escalators/moving walks	mm	A.1
b12	Vertical distance between the lower edge of the handrail and the balustrade decking	mm	3
b13	Width of the lower outer decking	mm	4
b14	Horizontal distance between the outer edges of interior panels on adjacent escalators or moving walks	mm	4
b15	Horizontal distance between the building structure (wall) and the centre line of the handrail	mm	4
b16	Horizontal distance between the centre lines of the handrails of adjacent escalators/moving walks	mm	4
b17	Horizontal distance of the anti-slide device to the outer edge of the handrail	mm	4
h1	Vertical distance between the top of the handrail and step nose or pallet surface or belt surface	m	2, 3
h2	Vertical distance between top edge of skirting or bottom edge of cover joints and the line of the step nose or the tread surface of the pallets or belt	mm	3
h3	Distance between the entry of handrail into the newel and the	m	2,3

**Table -1 Continued**

Symbol	Designation	Unit	Figure
h4	Free height above any point of step surfaces, pallets or belt over the area between both outer edges of the handrails	m	2, A.1
h5	Height of the deflector	m	2,4
h6	Clearance between the upper edge of the tread surface and the root of the comb teeth	mm	2
h7	Depth of the grooves	mm	2
h8	Mesh depth of the comb into the grooves of the tread	mm	2
h9	Vertical distance between floor and lower end of the anti-climbing	mm	4
h10	Vertical distance between lower edge of the handrail and upper end of the access restriction device	mm	4
h11	Height of the anti-slide device	mm	4
h12	Height of the upper edge of the free space outside the handrail	mm	A.1
h13	Vertical distance between the upper and lower finished floor levels	m	2
L1	Root of the comb teeth	-	2
l1	Horizontal distance between supports	m	2
L2	Comb intersection line	-	2
l2	Distance between the furthest point reached by the handrail and the comb intersection line measured parallel to the tread surface	m	2
l3	Length of the straight portion of the handrail in the direction of landing measured from the comb intersection line	m	2
l4	Distance between the furthest point reached by the handrail and the point of entry into the newel measured parallel to the tread surface	m	2
l5	Length of anti-climbing device on the lower outer decking	mm	4
v	Nominal speed	m/s	-
x1	Step height	m	5
y1	Step depth	m	5
z1	Nominal width for the load carrying area (step, pallet or belt)	m	3, 5
z2	Horizontal distance between skirting	m	3
z3	Transverse distance between the supporting rollers	mm	8
$\alpha$	Angle of inclination of the escalator or moving walk	°(degree)	2
$\beta$	Design angle of the teeth of the comb	°(degree)	2
$\gamma$	Cross-sectional angle of inclination of the lower inner decking	°(degree)	3
$\mu$	Friction coefficient	-	-

#### 5C.11.4 List of significant hazards

##### 5C.11.4.1 General

This clause contains all the significant hazards, hazardous situations and events, as far as they are dealt with in this standard, identified by risk assessment as significant for escalators and moving walks and which require action to eliminate or reduce the risk.

#### **5C.11.4.2 Mechanical hazards**

Mechanical hazards on escalators and moving walks and in their immediate vicinity can occur because of the design of the machine or access to it.

These include:

- Contact with moving machinery parts (e.g. driving unit, handrail drive) normally not accessible to the public (see 5C.11.5.2(b), 5C.11.5.2(d), 5C.11.5.2(e), 5C.11.5.2(f), 5C.11.5.6.1, A.3.2, A.3.3);
- Impact on bodies caused by collision with building structures (wall, roof, criss-cross arrangement or with persons on adjacent escalators/moving walks (see A.2.1, A.2.2, A.2.3, A.2.4);
- Trapping between step and step or pallet and pallet (see 5C.11.5.4).

#### **5C.11.4.3 Electric hazards**

Electric hazardous situations can occur due to:

- Contact of persons with live parts
- Indirect contact
- Inadequate emergency stops [see 5C.11.5.12.2(c)]
- Wrong assembly of electric components
- Electrostatic phenomena
- External influences on electric equipment [see 5C.11.5.12.1(d), 5C.11.5.12.1(e), 5C.11.5.12.2(d)]

#### **5C.11.4.4 Fire hazard**

Fire hazards can be generated by accumulation of combustible material inside the truss, by the isolation material for cables and overloading of drives [see 5C.11.5.2.1(d), 5C.11.5.10].

#### **5C.11.4.5 Hazards generated by neglecting ergonomic principles in machinery design**

Hazardous situation can occur because of:

- Inadequate lighting in the working places and access to them (see 5C.11.5.9.3(a), 5C.11.5.9.3(b), A.3.4, A.3.5).
- Insufficient space in working places (see 5C.11.5.11.2(b), 5C.11.5.11.2(c), 5C.11.5.11.2(d), A.3.6, A.3.7, A.3.8).
- Missing lifting equipment for heavy loads (see 5C.11.5.9.2.2).

#### **5C.11.4.6 Hazards generated by break-up during operation**

Even if the design of an escalator or moving walks follows the requirements of EN 115-1, there are specific hazards which can occur due to

- Greater than specified user and structural loads on the truss (see 5C.11.5.2.3).
- Loads greater than specified on the steps/pallets by unforeseeable misuse (see 5C.11.5.5).

#### **5C.11.4.7 Slipping, tripping and falling hazards**

Most of the dangerous situations on escalators and moving walks are caused by the slipping and falling of persons.

This is:

- Falling caused by inadequate lighting at the landings (see A.2.8,A.2.9).

#### **5C.11.5 Safety requirements and/or protective measures**

##### **5C.11.5.1 General**

Escalators and moving walks shall comply with the safety requirements and/or protective measures of this clause.

##### **5C.11.5.2 Supporting structure (truss) and enclosure**

###### **5C.11.5.2.1 General**

- (a) All mechanically moving parts of the escalator or moving walk shall be completely enclosed within imperforate panels or walls. Except from this are the accessible steps, the accessible pallets, the accessible belt and that part of the handrail available for the user. Apertures for ventilation are permitted [see also 5C.11.5.2.1(e)].
- (b) The exterior panels shall withstand a force of 250 N at any point at right angles on an area of 25 cm<sup>2</sup> without breakage or deflection resulting in any gap. The fixing shall be designed in that way to carry at least twice the dead load of the enclosure.
- (c) It is permissible to omit an enclosure of the mechanically moved parts if other measures (such as rooms with locked doors accessible to authorized personnel only) make a hazard to the public impossible.
- (d) Accumulation of materials (e.g. grease, oil, dust, paper) represents a fire risk. Therefore it shall be possible to clean the inner part of the escalator/moving walk.
- (e) Ventilation apertures shall be built or arranged. However it shall not be possible to pass a straight rigid rod 10 mm in diameter through the enclosure and to touch any moving part through a ventilation aperture.
- (f) Any exterior panels which are designed to be opened (e.g. for cleaning purposes) shall be provided with an electric safety device).

#### **5C.11.5.2.2 Angle of inclination**

The angle of inclination  $\alpha$  of the escalator shall not exceed  $30^\circ$ , but for rises  $h_{13}$  not exceeding 6 m and a nominal speed not exceeding 0,50 m/s the angle of inclination is permitted to be increased up to  $35^\circ$  (see  $\alpha$  in Figure 2).

The angle of inclination of moving walks shall not exceed  $12^\circ$ .

#### **5C.11.5.2.3 Structural design**

The supporting structure shall be designed in a way that it can support the dead weight of the escalator or moving walk plus a rated load of 5 000 N/m<sup>2</sup>.

Based on the rated load, the maximum calculated or measured deflection shall not exceed 1/750 of the distance  $l_1$  between the supports.

#### **5C.11.5.3 Steps, pallets, belt**

##### **5C.11.5.3.1 General**

In the user carrying area of the escalator, the step treads shall be horizontal with a tolerance of  $\pm 1^\circ$  in the direction of travel.

Tread surfaces for escalators and moving walks shall provide a secure foothold.

#### **5C.11.5.4 Dimensions**

##### **5C.11.5.4.1 General**

For escalators and moving walks the nominal width  $z_1$  shall be not less than 0,58 m and not exceed 1,10 m. For moving walks with an angle of inclination up to  $6^\circ$  widths up to 1,65 m are permitted.

- Step treads and pallets (see Figure 2, detail X and Figure 5).
- The step height  $x_1$  shall not exceed 0,24 m.
- The step depth  $y_1$  shall be not less than 0,38 m.
- The surface of the step treads and pallets shall have grooves in the direction of movement with which the teeth of the combs mesh.
- The step risers shall be cleated and the surface of the cleat shall be smooth. The ends of the step tread shall mesh with the cleating of the next step riser.
- The width  $b_7$  of the grooves shall be at least 5 mm and not exceed 7 mm.
- The depth  $h_7$  of the grooves shall be not less than 10 mm.
- The web width  $b_8$  shall be at least 2,5 mm and not exceed 5 mm.
- The step treads and step risers or pallets shall not finish with a groove at their side edges.

- The edge between the surface of the step tread and the riser shall have any sharpness relieved.
- Belts (see Figure 2, detail X).
- The belts shall have grooves in the direction of travel with which the teeth of the comb mesh.
- The width  $b_7$  of the grooves shall be at least 4,5 mm and not exceed 7 mm, and shall be measured at the tread surface of the belt.
- The depth  $h_7$  of the grooves shall be not less than 5 mm.
- The web width  $b_8$  shall be at least 4,5 mm and not exceed 8 mm and shall be measured at the tread surface of the belt.
- The belt shall not finish with a groove at the side edge of the belt.

Splicing of the treadway belt shall be such as to provide a continuous unbroken treadway surface.

### **5C.11.5.5 Structural design**

#### **5C.11.5.5.1 General**

The materials shall retain their strength characteristics during their specified life cycle taking into account the environmental conditions, e.g. temperature, ultra violet radiation, humidity, corrosion.

The steps, pallets and the belt shall be designed to withstand all possible loading and distortion effects, which may be imposed by the tracking, guiding and driving system during normal operation and shall be designed to support an equally distributed load corresponding to 6 000 N/m<sup>2</sup>.

**NOTE** 6000 N/m<sup>2</sup> is derived from a static load of 5000 N/m<sup>2</sup> plus an impact factor of 1.2.

Assembled steps and pallets shall be designed such that all component parts e.g. inserts or fixings are securely attached and do not become loose during their life cycle. The inserts and fixings shall withstand the reaction force of operating the comb/comb plate electric safety device.

#### **Key**

- 1** flexible part
- 2** rigid part
- a** in the inclined area
- b** in the transition and horizontal areas



### 5C.11.5.7.2 Configuration of steps, pallets and belts

- (a) At the landings, the steps of the escalator shall be guided in such a way that the front edges of the steps leaving the comb and the rear edges of the steps entering the comb are moving horizontally for a length of at least 0,80 m measured from point L<sub>1</sub> (see Figure 2 and detail X).

At nominal speeds above 0,50 m/s and not more than 0,65 m/s or rises h<sub>13</sub> above 6 m this length shall be at least 1,20 m, measured from point L<sub>1</sub> (see Figure 2 and detail X).

At nominal speeds above 0,65 m/s this length shall be at least 1,60 m measured from point L<sub>1</sub> (see Figure 2 and detail X).

A vertical difference in level between two consecutive steps of 4 mm is permitted.

- (b) For escalators, the radius of curvature in the upper transition from incline to horizontal shall be:

- At least 1,00 m for nominal speeds  $v \leq 0,5$  m/s (inclination of max 35°).
- At least 1,50 m for nominal speeds  $0,5 \text{ m/s} < v \leq 0,65$  m/s (inclination of max 30°).
- At least 2,60 m for nominal speeds  $v > 0,65$  m/s (inclination of max 30°).

The radius of curvature in the lower transition from incline to horizontal of the escalator shall be at least 1,00 m up to 0,65 m/s the nominal speed and at least 2,00 m above 0,65 m/s.

- (c) For belt moving walks, the radius of curvature in the transition from incline to horizontal shall be at least 0,40 m.

For pallet moving walks, it is not necessary to determine the radius of curvature because, on account of the maximum permissible distance between two consecutive pallets, it will always be sufficiently large.

- (d) At the upper landings of moving walks with an inclination of more than 6°, the pallets or belt shall move for a length of at least 0,40 m at a maximum angle of 6° before entering or after leaving the comb.

Analogous to 5C.11.5.7.2 (a), for pallet moving walks the movement is specified as follows:

The front edge of the pallet leaving the comb and the rear edge of the pallet entering the comb shall move without changing the degree of angle over at least 0,40 m.

- (e) Provisions shall be made in the area of the combs to ensure the correct meshing [see 5C.11.5.7.2(e)] of the comb teeth with the grooves of the tread surface.

Belts shall be supported in this area in a suitable manner, e.g. by drums, rollers, sliding plates.

### **5C.11.5.8 Combs**

#### **5C.11.5.8.1 General**

Combs shall be fitted at both landings to facilitate the transition of users. The combs shall be easily replaceable.

#### **5C.11.5.8.2 Design**

(a) The teeth of the combs shall mesh with the grooves of the steps, pallets or belt [see 5C.11.5.8.2.(g)] The width of the comb teeth shall be not less than 2,5 mm, measured at the tread surface (see Figure 2, detail X).

(b) The ends of the combs shall be rounded off and so shaped as to minimise the risk of trapping between combs and steps, pallets or belt.

(c) The radius of the teeth end shall be not greater than 2 mm.

(d) The teeth of the comb shall have a form and inclination so that the feet of users, leaving the escalator or moving walk, should not stub against them. The design angle  $\beta$  shown in Figure 2, detail X shall not exceed  $35^\circ$ .

(e) The combs or their supporting structure shall be adjustable, to ensure correct meshing (see Figure 2, detail X).

(f) The combs shall have such a design that upon trapping of foreign bodies either their teeth deflect and remain in mesh with the grooves of the steps, pallets or belt, or they break.

(g) In the case of objects being trapped which are not dealt with by the means described in [5C.11.5.8.2(e)] and in the case of comb/step/pallet impact the escalator or moving walk shall be stopped automatically.

(h) Mesh depth of the combs into the grooves

(i) The mesh depth  $h_8$  of the combs into the grooves of the tread (see Figure 2, detail X) shall be at least 4 mm.

(j) The clearance  $h_6$  (see Figure 2, detail X) shall not exceed 4 mm.

### **5C.11.5.9 Machinery spaces, driving station and return stations**

#### **5C.11.5.9.1 General**

These rooms/spaces shall be used only for accommodating the equipment necessary for the operation and maintenance and inspection of the escalator or moving walk. Fire alarm systems, equipment for direct fire abatement and sprinkler heads, provided they are sufficiently protected against incidental damage, are permitted in these rooms provided they do not generate additional risks for maintenance operation.

#### **5C.11.5.9.2 Dimensions and equipment**

(a) In machinery spaces, especially in driving and return stations inside the truss, space with a sufficiently large standing area shall be kept free from permanently installed parts of any kind.

The size of the standing area shall be at least 0,30 m<sup>2</sup> and the smaller side shall be at least 0,50 m long.

(b) If the controller cabinet has to be moved or lifted for maintenance purposes, then suitable attachments for lifting shall be provided, e.g. eyebolts, handle.

(c) Where the main drive or brake is arranged between the user side of the step, pallet or belt and the return line, a level standing area in the working zone of not less than 0,12 m<sup>2</sup> shall be provided. The minimum dimension shall be not less than 0,30 m. This standing area is permitted to be fixed or removable.

**NOTE** For machinery spaces, see also A.3.

#### **5C.11.5.9.3 Lighting and socket outlets**

(a) The electric lighting and the socket outlets shall be independent of the power supply to the machine being fed either by a separate cable or a branch cable which is connected before the main switch of the escalator or moving walk. It shall be possible to break the supply of all phases by means of a separate.

(b) Electric lighting installations in driving and return stations and machinery spaces inside the truss shall be by means of a portable lamp permanently available in one of these places. One or more socket outlets shall be provided in each of these places.

The light intensity shall be at least 200 lx in working areas.

#### **5C.11.5.9.4 Socket outlets shall be**

Either of type 2 P+PE (2 poles + earth conductor), 250 V, directly supplied by the mains, or of a type that is supplied at a safety extra low voltage in accordance with Local Rule. 5C.11.5.11.3 Maintenance and repair stop switch. There shall be a stop switch in the driving and return station. Escalators and moving walks with the driving unit arranged between the user side of the step, pallet or belt and the return line, or outside the return stations, shall have additional stop switches in the area of the driving unit. The operation of these stop switches shall cause the disconnection of the power supply from the driving machine and allow the operational brake to become effective to stop the escalator or moving walk.

The stop switches shall be achieve a category 0 stop. When activated it shall prevent the escalator or moving walk from starting. The switching positions shall be marked clearly and permanently.

**SPECIFIC CASE** A stop switch need not be provided in a machinery space if a main switch according to 5C.11.5.10 is located therein.

#### **5C.11.5.10 Fire protection**

Fire protection and building requirements differ from country to country and so far neither have been harmonized. Therefore, this standard cannot include specific requirements for fire protection and building requirements. However, it is recommended that as far as possible, escalators and moving walks are made of materials that do not create an additional hazard in case of fire.

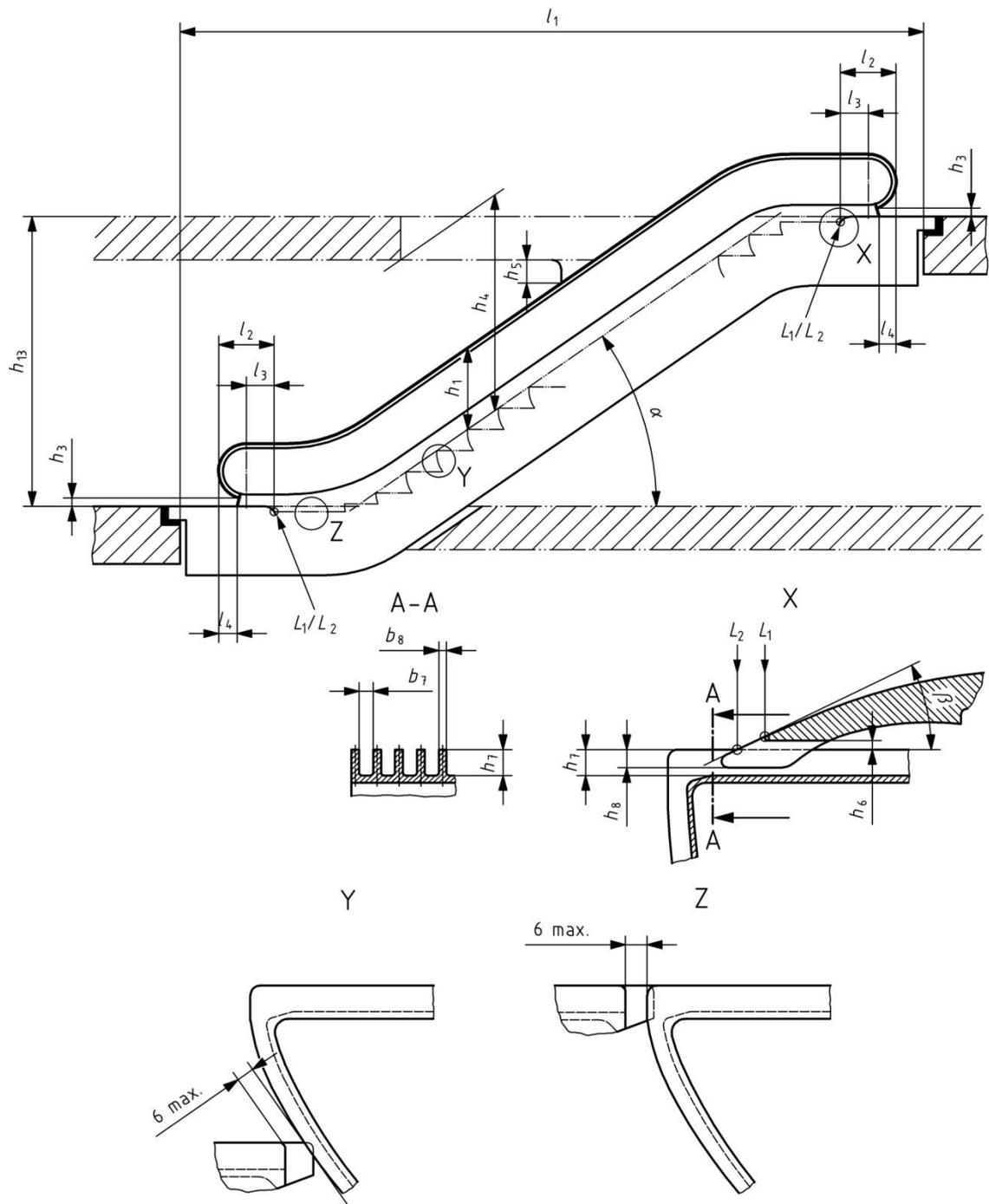
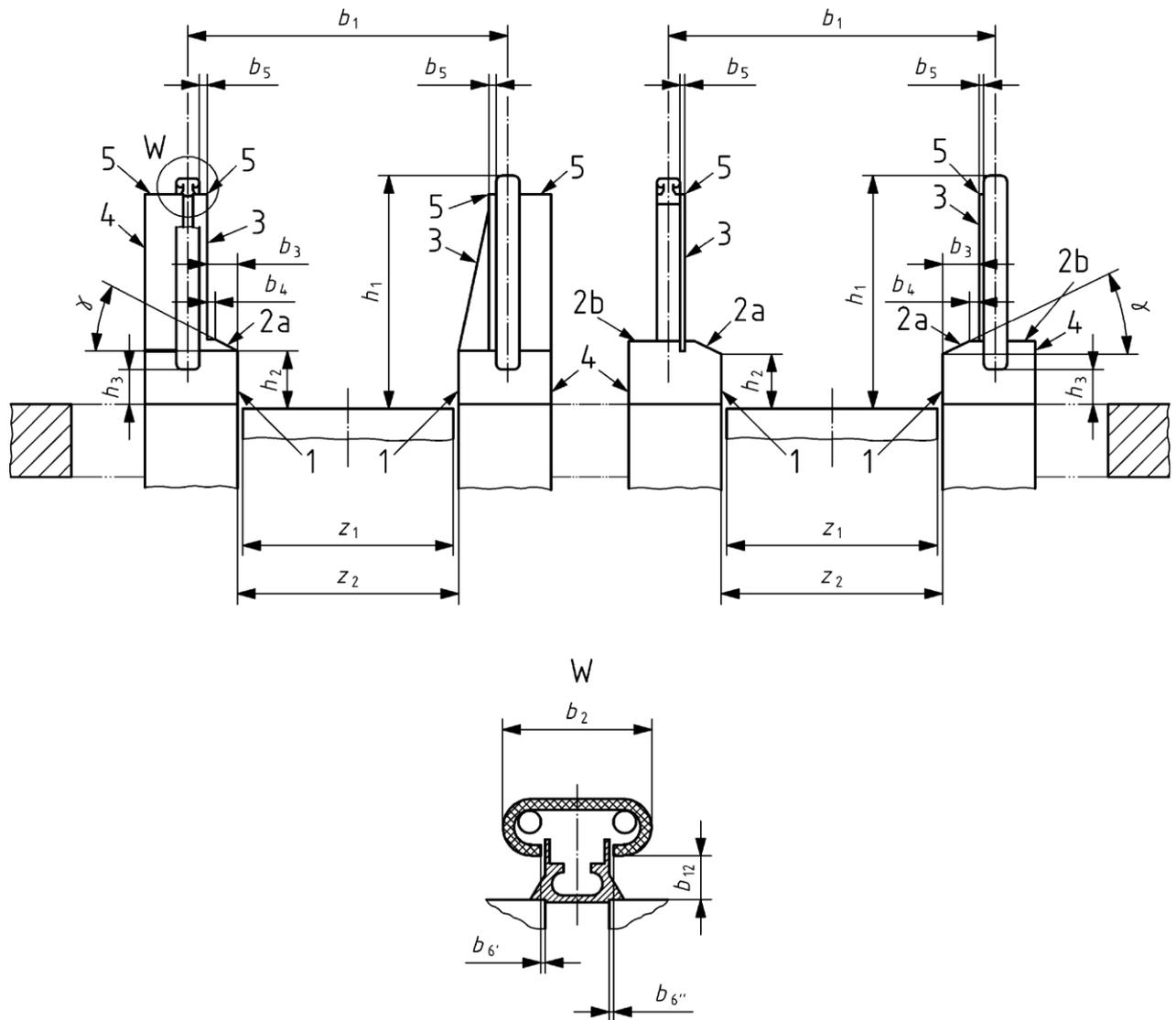


Figure 2 — Escalator (elevation), principal dimensions

Principal dimensions	Clause	Principal dimensions	Clause
b7 5 mm to 7 mm (step treads and pallets)	11.5.4.1(f)	h8 $\geq$ 4 mm	11.5.8.2(h)
b7 4,5 mm to 7 mm (belts)	11.5.4.1(m)	h13 Rise	
b8 2,5 mm to 5 mm (step treads and pallets)	11.5.4.1(b)	L1 Root of the comb teeth	
b8 4,5 mm to 8 mm (belts)	11.5.4.1(o)	L2 Comb intersection line	
h1 0,90 m to 1,10 m	11.5.8.2(a)	l1 Distance between supports	
h3 0,10 m to 0,25 m		l2 $\geq$ 0,60 m	
h4 $\geq$ 2,30 m		l3 $\geq$ 0,30 m	
h5 $\geq$ 0,30 m		l4 $\geq$ 0,30 m	
h6 $\leq$ 4 mm	11.5.8.2(i)	$\alpha$ Angle of inclination	
h7 $\geq$ 10 mm (step treads and pallets)	11.5.8.2(g)	$\beta \leq 35^\circ$	11.5.8.2(c)
h7 $\geq$ 5 mm (belts)	11.5.8.2(b)		

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Figure 2 — Escalator (elevation), principal dimensions



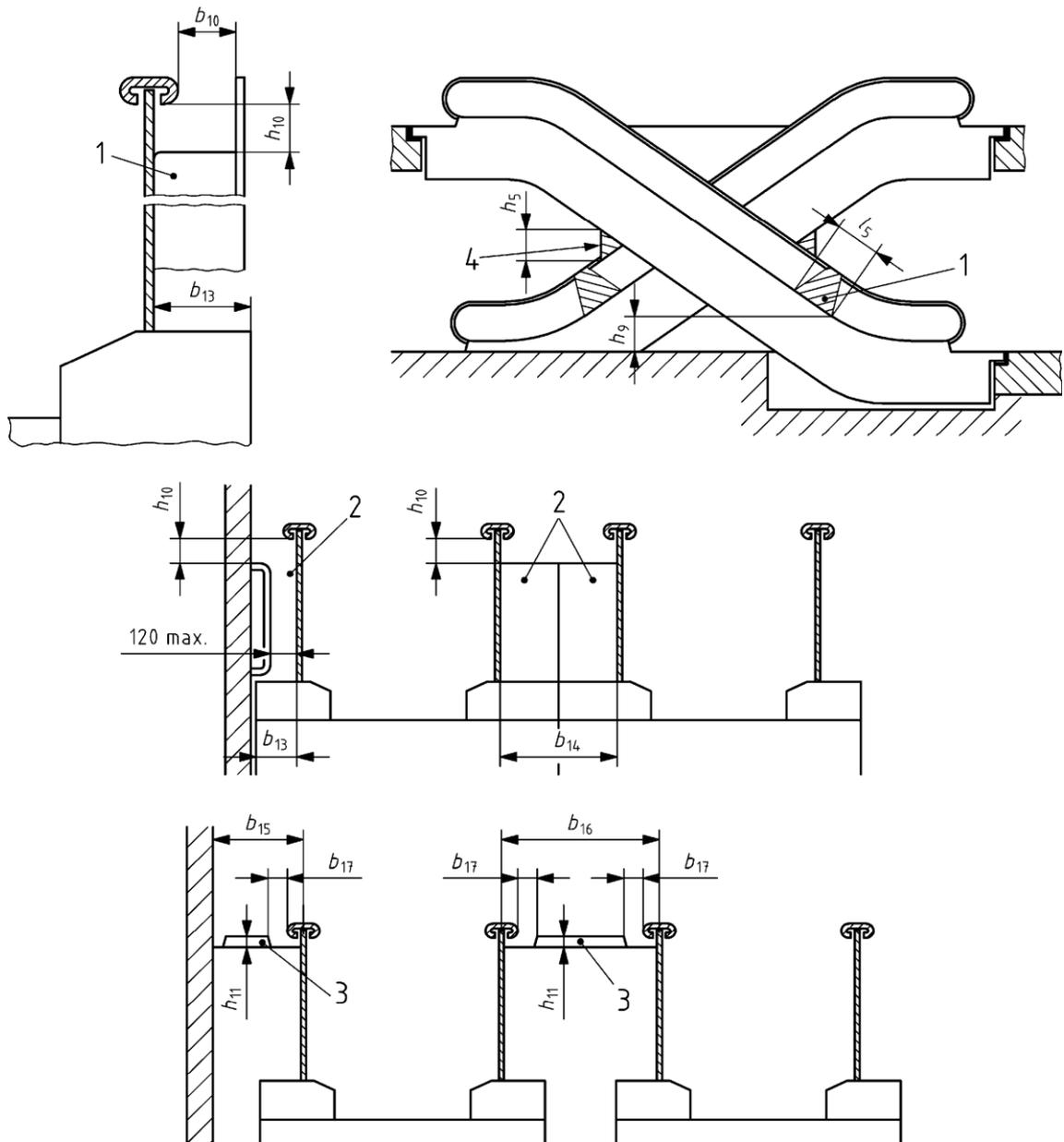
**Key**

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|----|---------------------|---|--------------------|
| 1  | skirting            | 3 | interior panel     |
| 2a | lower inner decking | 4 | exterior panel     |
| 2b | lower outer decking | 5 | balustrade decking |

Principal dimensions	Clause	Principal	Clause	Principal	Clause
$b_1 \leq z_2 + 0,45 \text{ m}$		$b_6' + b_6'' \leq 8 \text{ mm}$		$z_2 = z_1 + 7 \text{ mm};$	
$b_2 \quad 70 \text{ mm to } 100$		$b_{12} \geq 25 \text{ mm}$	A. 2.2	distance	
$b_3 < 0,12 \text{ m}$ (if $\gamma$ less		$h_1 \quad 0,90 \text{ m to}$		between skirting	
$b_4 < 30 \text{ mm}$		$h_2 \geq 25 \text{ mm}$		$\gamma \geq 25^\circ$	
$b_5 \leq 50 \text{ mm}$		$h_3 \quad 0,10 \text{ m to } 0,25$			

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Figure 3 — Escalator/moving walk (sectional view), principal dimensions



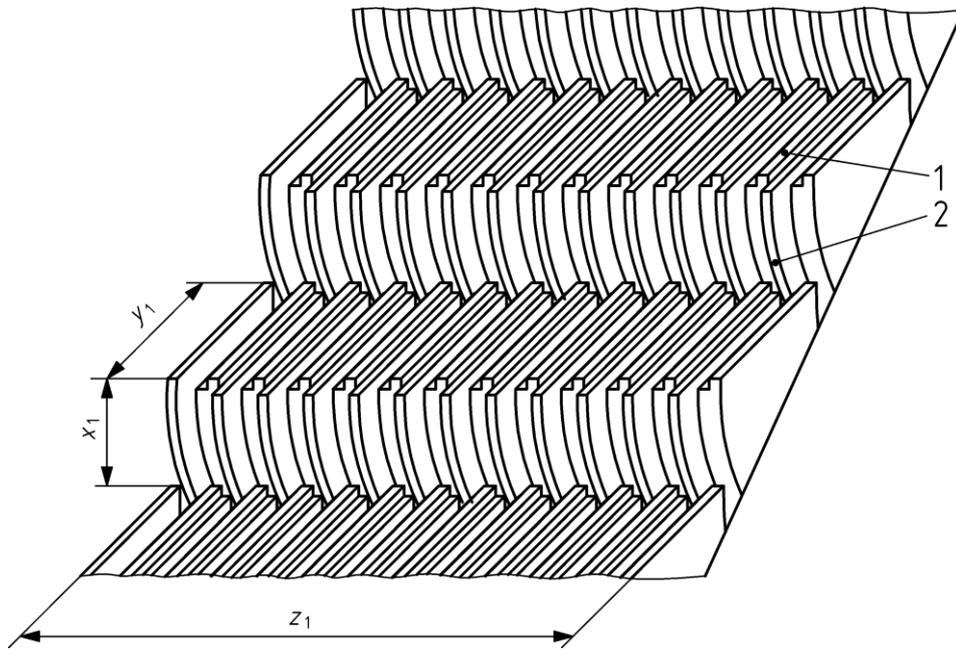
**Key**

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|---|---------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 1 | anti-climbing device      | 3 | anti-slide device  |
| 2 | access restriction device | 4 | vertical deflector |

Principal dimensions	Clause	Principal dimensions	Clause
b13, b14, b15, b16		$h_{10} = 25 \text{ mm to } 150 \text{ mm}$	
$b_{17} \geq 100 \text{ mm}$		$h_{11} \geq 20 \text{ mm}$	
$h_5 > 0.30 \text{ m}$	A.2.4	$l_5 > 1000 \text{ mm}$	
$h_9 = (1000 \pm 50) \text{ mm}$			

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Figure 4 — Anti-misuse devices



Key

- 1 step treads
- 2 step risers

Principal dimensions	Clause
$x_1 \leq 0,24 \text{ m}$	11.5.4.1(b)
$y_1 \geq 0,38 \text{ m}$	11.5.4.1(c)
$z_1 \text{ 0,58 m to 1,10 m}$	11.5.4

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 Figure 5 — Steps, principal dimensions

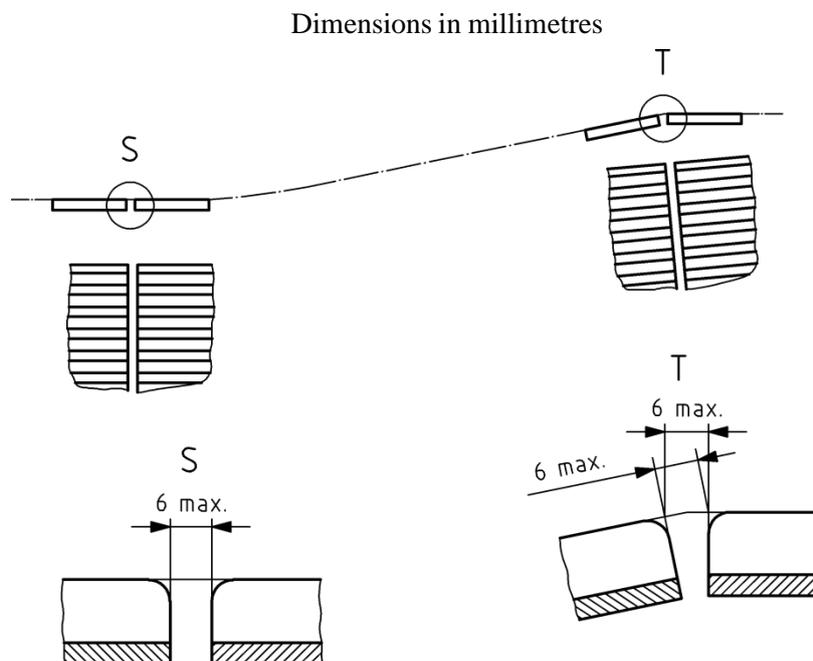


Figure 6 — Pallets, clearance and mesh depth (pallet type moving walk without meshed front and rear edges) in lower and upper landing and transition curves

Dimensions in millimetres

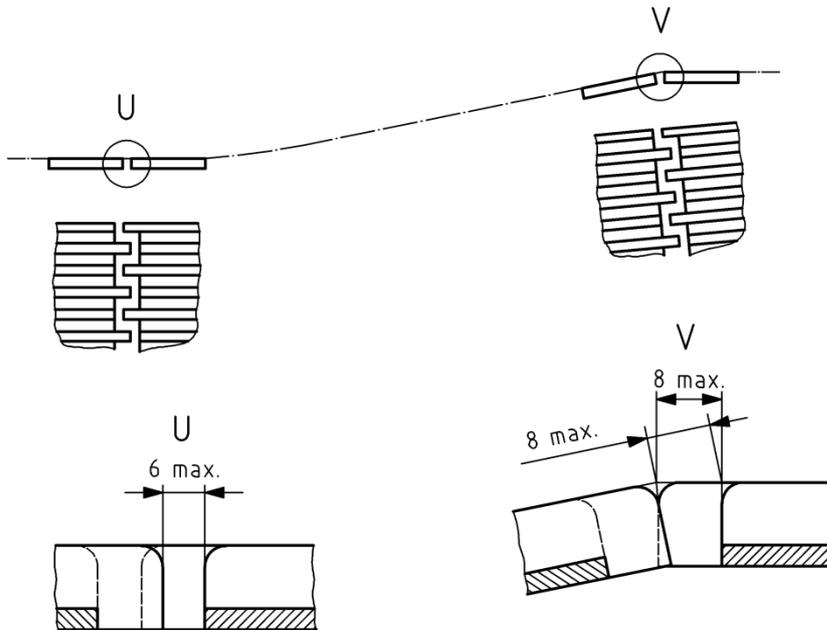
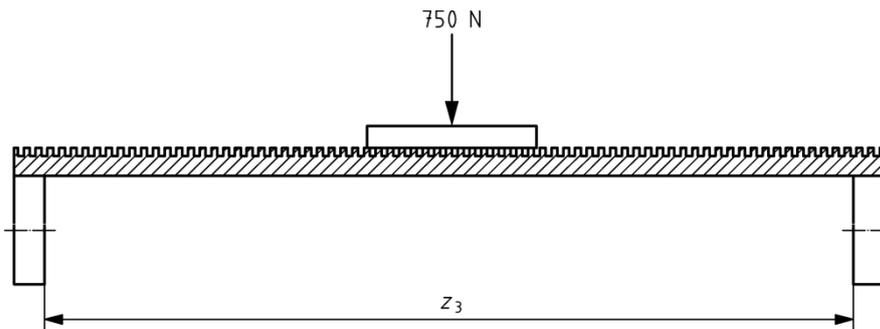


Figure 7 — Pallets, clearance and mesh depth (pallet type moving walk with meshed front and rear edges) in lower and upper landing and transition curves



Symbol for quantity/Designation	Clause
z3 Transverse distance between the supporting rollers	

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Figure 8 — Belt (sectional view), single force

## **5C.11.5.11 Electric installations and appliances**

### **5C.11.5.11.1 General**

#### **Introduction**

The electric installation of escalators or moving walks shall be so designed and manufactured as to ensure protection against hazards arising from the electric equipment or which may be caused by external influences on it, provided the equipment is used in applications for which it was made and is adequately maintained.

Therefore, the electric equipment shall:

- (i) Comply with the requirements stated in Myanmar Electrical Regulations;
- (ii) Where no harmonised standards as referred to in a) exist, comply with the requirements of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)

#### **Limits of application**

The requirements of this standard relating to the installation and to the constituent components of the electric equipment apply:

- (i) To the main switch of each independent power circuit (e.g. machine, heating system) of the escalator or moving walk and dependent circuits;
- (ii) To the switch for the lighting circuit of the escalator or moving walk and dependent circuits.

The escalator or moving walk shall be considered as a whole, in the same way as a machine with its incorporated apparatus.

The electricity supply to the input terminals of the switches refers to in (b) and the electricity supply to the lighting of the machinery spaces, driving and return stations are not laid down by this standard.

### **5C.11.5.11.2 Voltage limit for control and safety circuits**

For control and safety circuits, the value in direct current or the r.m.s. value in alternating current between conductors or between conductors and earth shall not exceed 250 V.

- (a) Conductor for neutral and earth-continuity
- (b) Contactors, relay contactors, components of fail safe circuits
- (c) Contactors and relay contactors
- (d) To stop the driving machine the main contactors shall belong to the following categories .
  - (i) AC-3 for contactors of alternating current motors;
  - (ii) DC-3 for contactors of direct current machines.

- (e) Relay contactors shall belong to the following categories ,
  - (i) AC-15 for contactors in alternating current control circuits;
  - (ii) DC-13 for contactors in direct current control circuits.
- (f) Components of fail safe circuits
- (g) When devices according to 5C.11.5.11.2 (e) are used as relays in a fail safe circuit, the assumptions of also apply.
- (h) If the relays used are such that the break and make contacts are never closed simultaneously for any position of the armature, the possibility of partial attraction of the armature is permitted to be disregarded
- (i) Devices connected after electric safety devices shall meet the requirements of 5C.11.5.12.2
- (j) With regard to the creep distances and air gaps (not with regard to the separation distances).

This requirement does not apply to the devices mentioned in 5C.11.5.11.2(c).

### **5C.11.5.11.3 Main switches**

(a) In the vicinity of the machine or in the return stations, or in the vicinity of the control devices, there shall be a main switch capable of breaking the supply to the motor, to the brake releasing device and to the control circuit in the live conductors.

This switch shall not cut the supply to the socket outlets or to the lighting circuits necessary for inspection and maintenance (see 5C. 11.5.9).

When separate supplies are provided for auxiliary equipment such as heating, balustrade lighting and comb lighting, it shall be possible to switch them off independently. The corresponding switches shall be located close to the main switch and be marked unambiguously.

(b) The main switches as defined in 5C. 11.5.11.3 (a) shall be capable of being locked or otherwise secured in the "isolated" position, with the use of a padlock or equivalent, to ensure no inadvertent operation by others . The control mechanism of the main switch shall be easily and rapidly accessible after opening of the doors or trap doors.

(c) Main switches shall be capable of interrupting the highest current involved in normal operating conditions of the escalator or moving walk.

(d) Where the main switches of several escalators or moving walks are positioned together it shall be possible to easily identify to which escalator or moving walk they refer.

### **5C.11.5.12 Electric safety devices**

#### **5C.11.5.12.1 General requirements**

(a) The electric safety devices for the (events escalator or moving walk listed in Table 6) shall prevent the driving machine from starting or cause the immediate stopping of the driving machine and consist of:

- (i) Either one or more safety switches satisfying 5C. 11.5.12.2 directly disconnecting the supply to the contactors or their relay contactors, or
- (ii) Fail safe circuits satisfying consisting of:
  - 1) Either one or more safety switches satisfying 5C. 11.5.12.2 not directly disconnecting the supply to the contactors or their relay contactors, or
  - 2) Contacts not satisfying the requirements of 5C. 11.5.12.2 or
  - 3) Other components in accordance with the requirements of Annex B.
- (b) No electric equipment shall be connected in parallel with an electric safety device with the exception of:
  - (i) Electric safety devices in case of inspection mode;
  - (ii) Connections to different points of the safety circuit for information about the status of electric safety devices; the devices used for that purpose shall fulfil the requirements of Annex B.
- (c) The effects of internal or external inductance or capacitance shall not cause failures of fail safe circuits.
- (d) An output signal emanating from a fail safe circuit shall not be altered by an extraneous signal emanating from another electric device placed further down the same circuit, which would cause a dangerous condition to result.
- (e) The construction and arrangement of the internal power supply units shall be such as to prevent the appearance of false signals at the outputs of electric safety devices due to the effects of switching. In particular, voltage peaks arising from the operation of the escalator or moving walk or other equipment on the network shall not create inadmissible disturbances in electronic components .

#### **5C.11.5.12.2 Safety switches**

- (a) The operation of a safety switch shall be by positive mechanical separation of the contacts. This positive mechanical separation shall even occur if the contacts are welded together.

Positive mechanical separation is achieved when all contacts are brought to their open position in such a way that for a significant part of the travel there are no resilient elements (e.g. springs) between the moving contacts and the part of the actuator to which the actuating force is applied.

The design shall be such as to minimise the risk of a short-circuit resulting from a faulty component.

- (b) The safety switch shall be provided for a rated insulation voltage of 250 V if the enclosure provides a degree of protection of at least IP, or 500 V if the degree of protection of the enclosure is less than IP 4X.

- (i) AC-15 for safety switches in alternating current circuits;
- (ii) DC-13 for safety switches in direct current circuits.

(c) If the protective enclosure is not at least of type IP 4X the air gaps shall be at least 3 mm and creep distances at least 4 mm.

After separation the distance for contacts shall be at least 4 mm.

(d) In the case of multiple breaks, the individual distances for breaking contacts shall be at least 2 mm after separation.

(e) Debris from the conductive material shall not lead to short-circuiting of contacts.

The starting switch(es) shall be located within reach of a stop switch according to 5C.11.5.12.2(b). For remote starting devices the requirements above shall apply.

**NOTE** For the obligation of the maintainer to observe a complete revolution of the step/pallet band before making the escalator/moving walk available to the public after maintenance.

**NOTE** An average speed against for a walking person of 1 m/s should be taken into account.

The requirements protection of electric faults shall be met. Constructional measures may be necessary to prevent circumvention of the control elements.

(f) Stop switch for emergency situations, manually operated

(g) Stop switch for emergency situations shall be provided to stop the escalator or moving walks in the event of an emergency. They shall be placed in conspicuous and easily reachable positions at least at or near each landing of the escalator or moving.

The distances between stop switches for emergency situations shall not exceed:

- 30 m on escalators;
- 40 m on moving walks.

If necessary, additional stop switches shall be provided to maintain the distance.

For moving walks intended to transport shopping trolleys and baggage carts (C-2).

(h) Stop switch for emergency situations shall be electric safety devices according to electric safety devices.

(i) Stopping initiated by monitoring or electric safety devices [ see 5C.11.5.12.1(a)]

## Annex A(normative)

### Building interfaces

#### A.1 General

The requirements in A.2 and A.3 are important for the safety of users and maintenance personal.

If it is not possible for the manufacturers of the escalator or moving walk to fulfill these requirements (or some of them) due to the fact that e.g. they are not installing the escalator or moving walk, those requirements that are not fulfilled have to be part of the instruction handbook as an obligation for the owner. Recommendations do not use escalators as regular staircases or emergency exits. Provide the staircases from user in case of emergency each floor.

#### A.2 Free space for users

**A.2.1** The clear height above the steps of the escalator or pallets or belt of the moving walk at all points shall be not less than 2,30 m (see h<sub>4</sub> in Figures 2 and A.1).

The clear height shall extend to the end of the newel.

**NOTE** - The clear height of 2,30 m should also be applied to the unrestricted area.

**A.2.2** To prevent collision, a minimum free area around the escalator or moving walk is defined as per Figure A.1. The height h<sub>12</sub>, measured from the steps of the escalator or the pallets or the belt of the moving walk shall be at least 2,10 m. The distance between the outer edge of the handrail and walls or other obstacles (see b<sub>10</sub> in Figure A.1) shall under no circumstances be less than 80 mm horizontally and 25 mm vertically below the lower edge of the handrail (see b<sub>12</sub> in Figure 3). The area is permitted to be smaller, if by appropriate measures, the risk of injury is minimized.

**A.2.3** For escalators arranged adjacent to one another either parallel or criss-cross, the distance between the handrails shall be not less than 160 mm (see b<sub>11</sub> in Figure A.1).

**A.2.4** Where building obstacles can cause injuries, appropriate preventive measures shall be taken.

In particular, at floor intersections and on criss-cross escalators or moving walks, a vertical deflector of not less than 0,30 m in height, not presenting any sharp cutting edges, shall be placed above the handrail level and extend at least 25 mm below the lower edge of the handrail, e.g. as an imperforate triangle (see h<sub>5</sub> in Figures 2 and 4).

It is not necessary to comply with these requirements when the distance b<sub>9</sub> between the outer edge of the handrail and any obstacle is equal to or greater than 400 mm (see Figure A.1).

**14.A.2.5** At the exit(s) of each individual escalator or moving walk a sufficient unrestricted area shall be available to accommodate persons. The width of the unrestricted area shall at least correspond to the distance between the outer edges of the handrails plus 80 mm on each side. The depth shall be at least 2,50 m measured from the end of the balustrade. It shall be permissible to reduce it to 2,00 m if the width of the unrestricted area is increased to at least double the distance between the outer edges of the handrails plus 80 mm on each side.

For succeeding escalators and moving walks the depth of an unrestricted area shall be determined in each individual case depending on e.g. type of use (persons only or persons

with transport devices, number of intermediate exits, relative orientation and theoretical capacity).

**A.2.6** In the case of successive escalators and moving walks without intermediate exits, they shall have the same capacity.

**A.2.7** Where it is possible for people to come into contact with the outer edge of a handrail at a landing and can be drawn into a hazardous situation, such as toppling over a balustrade, appropriate preventative measures shall be taken (for an example, see Figure A.2).

**Some examples are:**

- Prevention of entry into the space by the placement of permanent barriers;
- Increasing the height of the building structure of the fixed balustrade in the hazard area by at least 100 mm above the handrail level and positioned between 80 mm and 120 mm from the outer edge of the handrail.

**A.2.8** The surrounds of the escalator or moving walk shall be illuminated, especially in the vicinity of the combs.

**NOTE** - Information should be exchanged between the manufacturer and the customer.

**A.2.9** It is permissible to arrange the lighting in the surrounding space and/or at the installation itself. The intensity of illumination at the landings including the combs shall be related to the intensity of illumination of the general lighting in the area. The intensity of illumination shall be not less than 50 lx at the comb intersection line measured at floor level.

### **A.3 Machinery spaces outside the truss**

**A.3.1** A safe access for persons to machinery spaces shall be provided.

**A.3.2** Machinery spaces shall be lockable and only accessible to authorised

**A.3.3** Machinery spaces shall be provided with permanently installed electric lighting on the following basis:

- a) A minimum of 200 lx at floor level in working areas;
- b) A minimum of 50 lx at floor level in access routes leading to these working areas.

**A.3.4** Emergency lighting shall be installed to allow the safe evacuation of all personnel working in any machinery space.

**NOTE** - Emergency lighting is not intended for continuation of maintenance or other activities.

**A.3.5** The dimensions of machinery spaces shall be sufficient to permit easy and safe working on equipment, especially the electrical equipment.

In particular there shall be provided at least a clear height of 2,00 m at working areas, and:

- a) A clear horizontal area in front of the control panels and the cabinets. This area is defined as follows:
  - 1) Depth, measured from the external surface of the enclosures: at least 0,70 m.
  - 2) Width, the greater of the following values: 0,50 m or the full width of the cabinet or panel.

b) A clear horizontal area of at least 0,50 m x 0,60 m for maintenance and inspection of moving parts at points where this is necessary.

**A.3.6** The clear height for movement shall not be less than 1,80 m.

The access ways to the clear spaces mentioned in A.3.6 shall have a width of at least 0,50 m. This value may be reduced to 0,40 m where there are no moving parts.

This full height for movement is taken to the underside of the structural roof beams and measured from both:

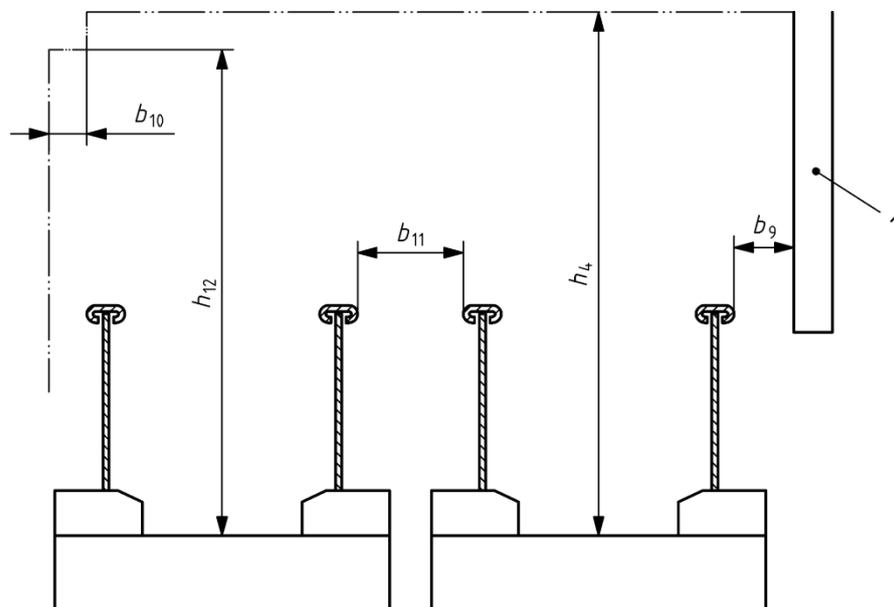
- a) The floor of the access area.
- b) The floor of the working area.

**A.3.7** In machinery spaces the clear height shall under no circumstances be less than 2,0 m.

#### A.4 Electric power supply

Agreements shall be made between the owner and the manufacturer about electric supply and electric protection requirements (e.g. electric shock, short circuit; overload).

The installation shall with the requirements of the national rules of the country where it is installed.



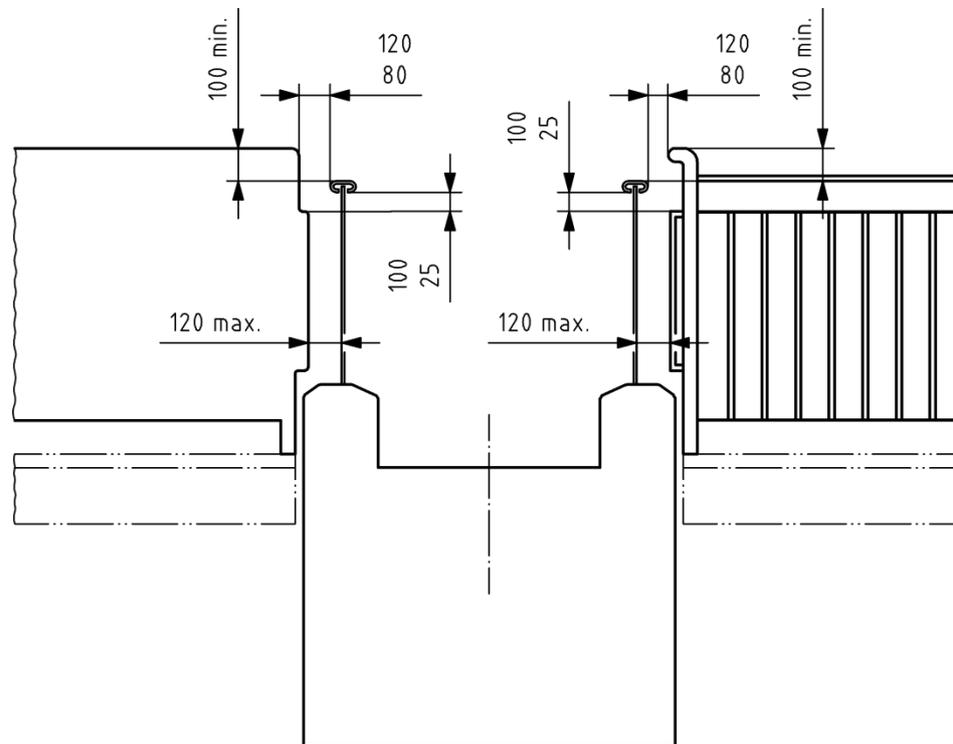
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1 obstacle (e.g. column)

Principal dimensions	Clause	Principal dimensions	Clause
$b_9 \geq 400 \text{ mm}$	A.2.4	$h_4 \geq 2300 \text{ mm}$	A.2.1
$b_{10} \geq 80 \text{ mm}$	A.2.2	$h_{12} \geq 2100 \text{ mm}$	A.2.2
$b_{11} \geq 160 \text{ mm}$	A.2.3		

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Figure A.1 — Clearances between building structure and escalator/moving walk units



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Figure A.2 — Example of barriers at landings

## Annex B (informative)

### Design guide-line for safety circuits

This design guide-line gives recommendations to avoid dangerous situations in the case when information is collected from the safety circuit for control purposes, for remote control, alarm control, etc.

Some dangerous situations are recognised coming from the possibility of bridging one or several electric safety devices by short circuiting or by local interruption of common lead (earth) combined with one or several other failures. It is good practice to follow the recommendations given below:

- Design the board and circuits with distances in accordance with specifications Connectors Terminals Plugs and Printed Circuit Board.
- Organise common lead so that the common lead for the control of the escalator/moving walk comes behind the electronic components. Any rupture will cause a non-operation of the control (danger exists that changes in wiring occur during the life of the escalator/moving walk).

- Make always calculations about the "worst case" condition.
- Always use outside (out of element) resistors as protective devices of input elements; internal resistor of the device should not be considered as safe.
  
- Use only components according to listed specifications.
- Consider backwards voltage coming from electronics. Using galvanically separated circuits can solve the problems in some cases.
- The "worst case" calculation cannot be avoided, whatever the design. If modifications or add-ons are made after the installation of the escalator/moving walk, the "worst case" calculation, involving new and existing equipment, must be carried out again
- Some failure exclusions can be accepted, according to electronics & electrical components.
- Failures outside the environment of the escalator/moving walk need not be taken into consideration.
- "An interruption of the earth from the main supply of the building to the controller collection earth bar (rail).

can be excluded, providing the installation is made in accordance with local electrical rules and regulations.

## Annex C (normative)

Requirements on escalators and moving walks intended to transport shopping trolleys and baggage carts

### C.1 Escalators

The use of both shopping trolleys and baggage carts on escalators is unsafe and shall not be permitted.

The principle reasons why the use of these products is considered to be unsafe are foreseeable misuse, overloading and width restriction.

Where shopping trolleys and/or baggage carts are available in the area around escalator installations, suitable barriers shall be provided to prevent access.

#### Outline guidance is given as follows:

Shopping trolleys or baggage carts which are chosen for use on an escalator must be specified between the shopping trolley or baggage cart manufacturer and the escalator manufacturer. If non-specified shopping trolleys or baggage carts are available in the escalator area, there is a serious risk of misuse. It is necessary to prevent access to the escalator entrance.

The width of the shopping trolley or baggage cart and its contents should be at least 400 mm less than the nominal step width. Passengers should be able to leave the escalator, even if shopping trolleys or baggage carts are on the escalator.

The escalators should be supplied with a horizontal step run of 1,6 m at both landing areas, minimum transition radii of 2,6 m at the upper landing and 2,0 m at the lower landing, and limiting the rated speed to 0,5 m/s and the inclination to 30°.

Combs should be designed with an angle  $\beta$  of max. 19° combined with a diameter of the shopping trolley or baggage cart roller of at least 120 mm diameter.

Additional stops for emergency situations at handrail level (taking into account A.2.2) with a distance between 2,0 m and 3,0 m before the step reaches the comb intersection line should be provided. The stop for emergency situations near the transition curve should be reachable from inside the escalator and the stops for emergency situations at exit(s) shall be reachable from outside of the escalator.

Shopping trolleys or baggage carts should conform to the escalator design:

- The shopping trolley or baggage cart design should ensure a safe and correct loading.
- The maximum weight for a shopping trolley or baggage cart should be 160 kg when loaded.
- Shopping trolley or baggage cart should automatically lock themselves on the inclined part of escalators.
- Shopping trolley or baggage cart should be fitted with a braking or blocking system.
- Shopping trolley or baggage cart should have deflectors (bumpers) to reduce the risk of clamping.
- For safe exit from the escalator, it is necessary that the rear rollers of the shopping trolley or baggage cart are able to push the front rollers over the comb. The front rollers and/or blocking system should easily release from the steps

- Deflectors and guiding devices should be added to the surrounding area to ensure correct alignment of shopping trolley or baggage cart when entering the escalator.
- Safety signs about safe and correct use of the shopping trolley or baggage cart should be added.

## **C.2 Moving walks**

The use of suitably designed shopping trolleys and baggage carts on moving walks is permitted.

Shopping trolleys or baggage carts which are chosen for use on a moving walk shall be specified between the baggage cart manufacturer and the moving walk manufacturer. If non-specified shopping trolleys or baggage carts are available in the moving walk area, there is a serious risk of misuse. It is necessary to prevent access to the moving walk entrance.

The width of the shopping trolley or baggage cart and its contents shall be at least 400 mm less than the nominal pallet/belt width. Passengers shall be able to leave the moving walk, even if shopping trolleys or baggage carts are on the moving walk.

For moving walks with an inclination greater than 6°, the rated speed shall be limited to 0,5 m/s.

Combs shall be designed with an angle  $\beta$  of max. 19° combined with a diameter of the shopping trolley or baggage cart roller of at least 120 mm diameter.

Additional stops for emergency situations at handrail level (taking into account A.2.2) with a distance between 2,0 m and 3,0 m before the pallet reaches the comb intersection line shall be provided. The stop for emergency situations near the transition curve shall be reachable from inside the moving walk and the stops for emergency situations at exit(s) shall be reachable from outside of the moving walk.

Shopping trolleys or baggage carts shall conform to the moving walk design:

- The shopping trolley or baggage cart design shall ensure a safe and correct loading.
- The maximum weight for a shopping trolley or baggage cart shall be 160 kg when loaded.
- Shopping trolley or baggage cart shall automatically lock themselves on the inclined part of moving walks.
- Shopping trolley or baggage cart shall be fitted with a braking or blocking system.
- Shopping trolley or baggage cart shall have deflectors (bumpers) to reduce the risk of clamping.
- For safe exit from the moving walk, it is necessary that the rear rollers of the shopping trolley or baggage cart are able to push the front rollers over the comb. The front rollers and/or blocking system shall easily release from the pallet.
- Deflectors and guiding devices shall be added to the surrounding area to ensure correct alignment of shopping trolley or baggage cart when entering the moving walk.
- Safety signs about safe and correct use of the shopping trolley or baggage cart should be added.

## **D.2 Testing and assessing anti-slip properties**

The procedure for testing anti-slip properties is governed by local rules.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the intermediary medium of oil in the test procedure is not used to give the test a particularly adverse operating condition. The use of a specific, defined oil is used as a constant test parameter with which, as has been proved, better differentiation of the test results is achieved.

**NOTE** – This procedure is based on the people carrying out the test treading on the covering to be tested on an inclined plane. It is used as an aid to deciding whether the respective covering is suitable for use on escalators and moving walks.

The average inclination angle determined from a range of measurements is critical for classifying the covering in one of five assessment groups. The assessment group is used as a benchmark for the level of anti-slip properties where coverings in assessment group R 9 meet the lowest anti-slip requirements and those in assessment group R 13 the highest. The allocation of assessment groups to the angle ranges is shown in TableD.1.

**Table D.1 — Allocating the overall average values of the inclination angles to the anti-slip assessment groups**

Overall average value	Assessment group
from 6° to 10°	R 9
over 10° to 19°	R 10
over 19° to 27°	R 11
over 27° to 35°	R 12
greater than 35°	R 13

The assessment of the anti-slip properties of coverings with surface profiles arranged in a specific direction, e.g. a step covering with lengthwise grooves or cover plates with transverse grooves, shall be based on average values that take into consideration the place the coverings are laid and the direction the users walk on them.

Coverings that meet at least assessment group R 9 are considered anti-slip for indoor installations and at least assessment group R 10 for outdoor installations.

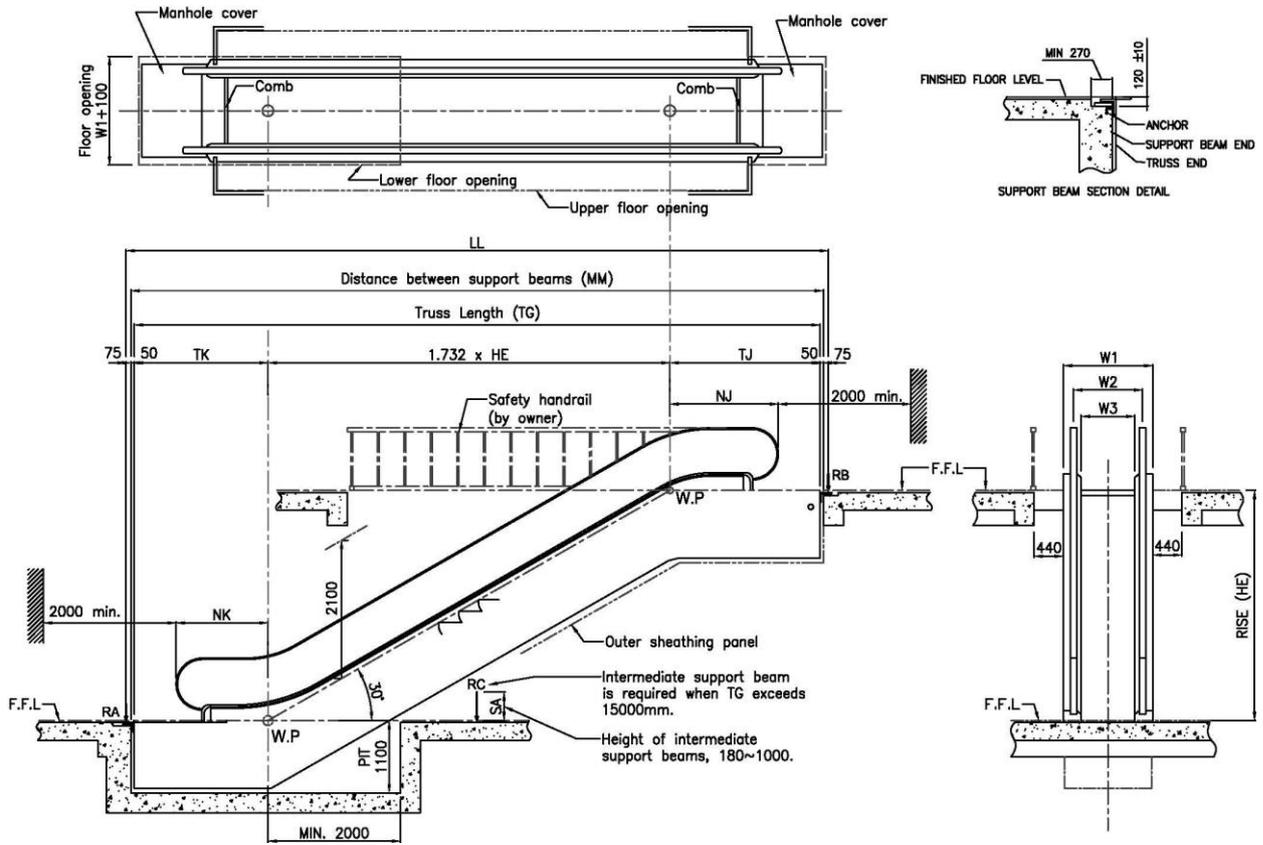
**NOTE** – If, at the landings of escalators and moving walks and their allocated floors, there are different assessment groups, it should be taken care that neighbouring floors shall only differ by one in their assessment groups.

The part of the test related to the area below the surface of cleated profiles is not used to assess the anti-slip properties of coverings on escalators and moving walks.

# Attach Figure-1

## Standard Installation of Escalator for 30 ° Inclination Angle

All dimension in millimeters



### Dimensions (mm)

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Type	Step width (mm)		
	600	800	1000
W1 (Escalator width)	1150	1350	1550
W2 (Between Moving Handrails)	840	1040	1240
W3 (Between Skirt Panels)	610	810	1010

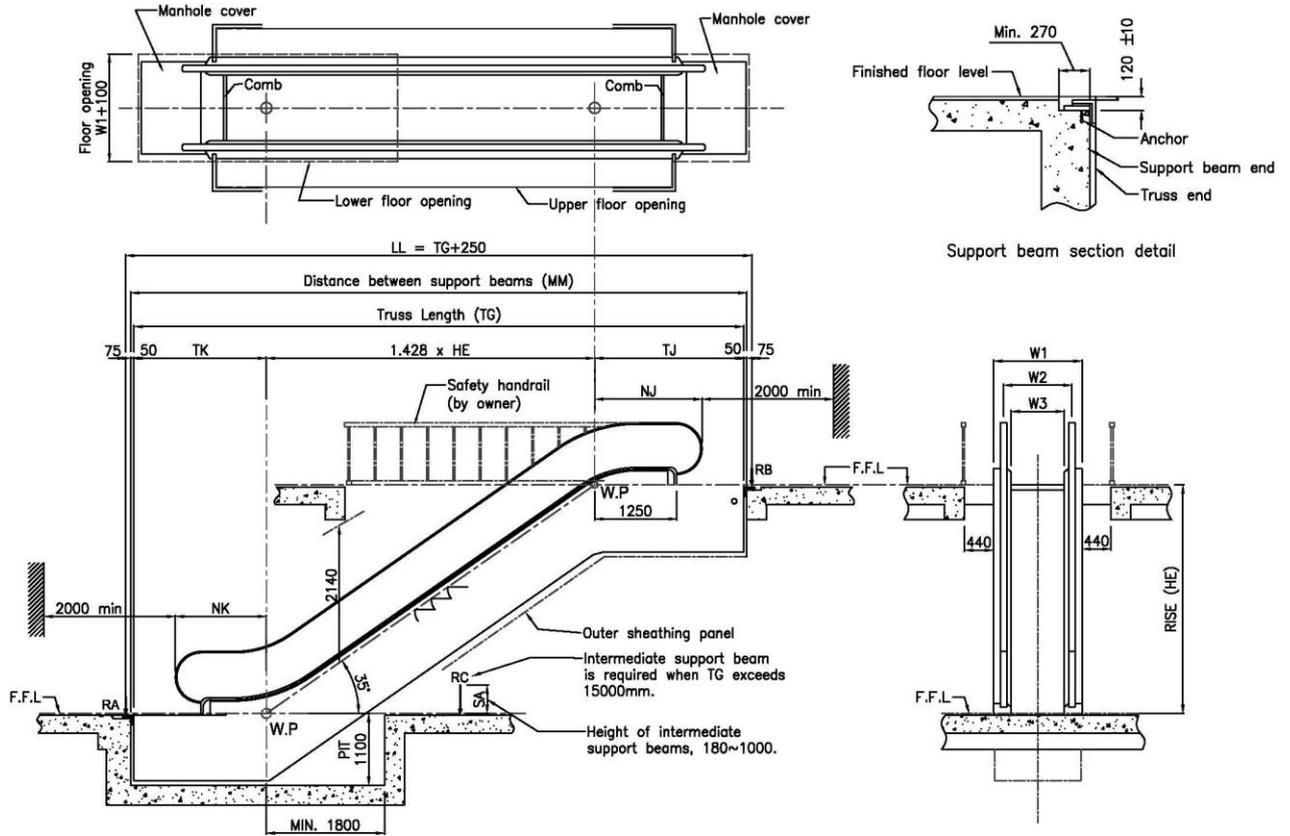
Horizontal Steps	NK	NJ	TJ	TK
1.5 Steps (Nominal)	1385	1635	2265	2015

3 Setps	1975	2260	2890	2605
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## Attach Figure-2

### Standard Installation of Escalator for 35 ° Inclination Angle

All dimension in millimeters



### Dimensions (mm)

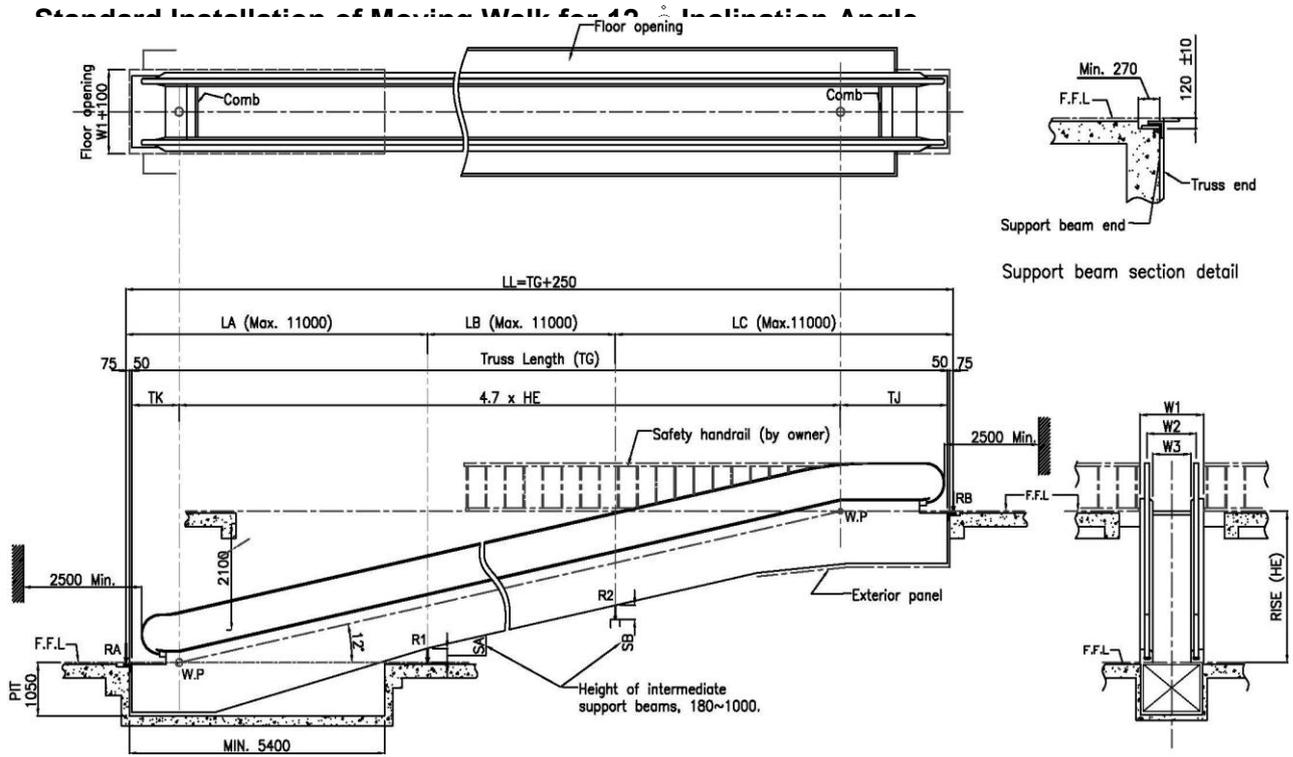
Type	Step width (mm)		
	600	800	1000
W1 (Escalator width)	1150	1350	1550
W2 (Between Moving Handrails)	840	1040	1240
W3 (Between Skirt Panels)	610	810	1010

Horizontal Steps	NK	NJ	TJ	TK
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2 Steps	1630	1900	2530	2260
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### Attach Figure-3

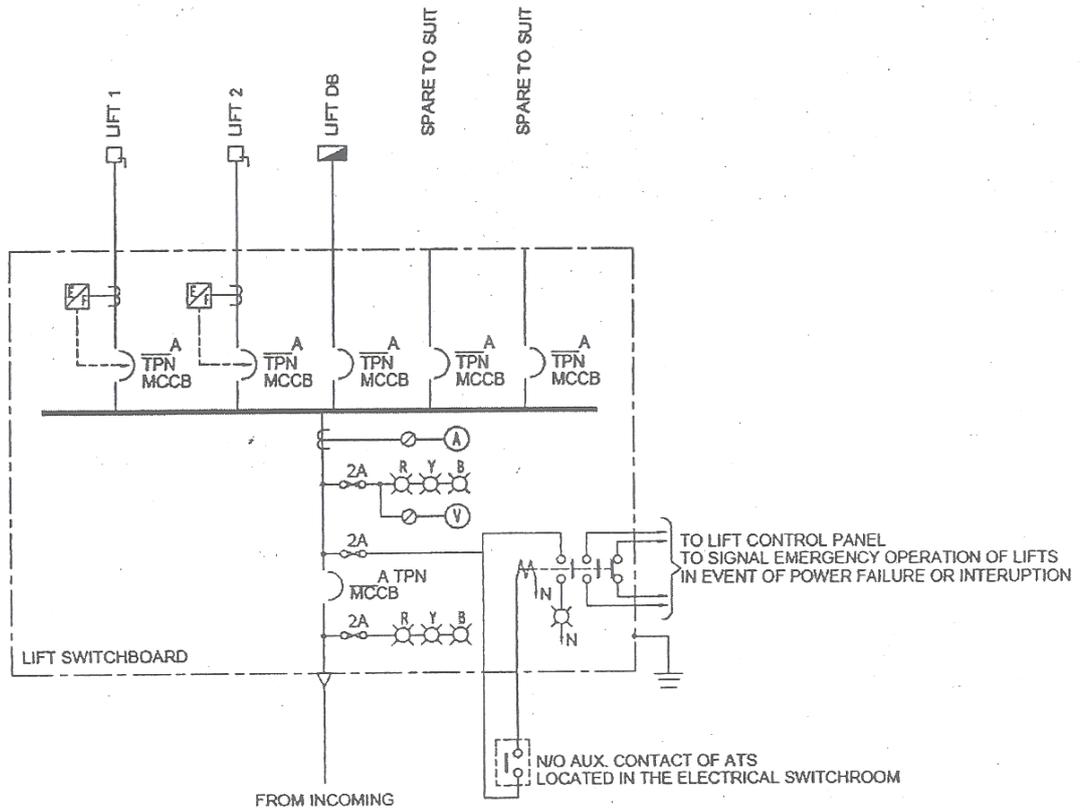
Standard Installation of Moving Walk for 4% Inclination Angle



### Dimensions (mm)

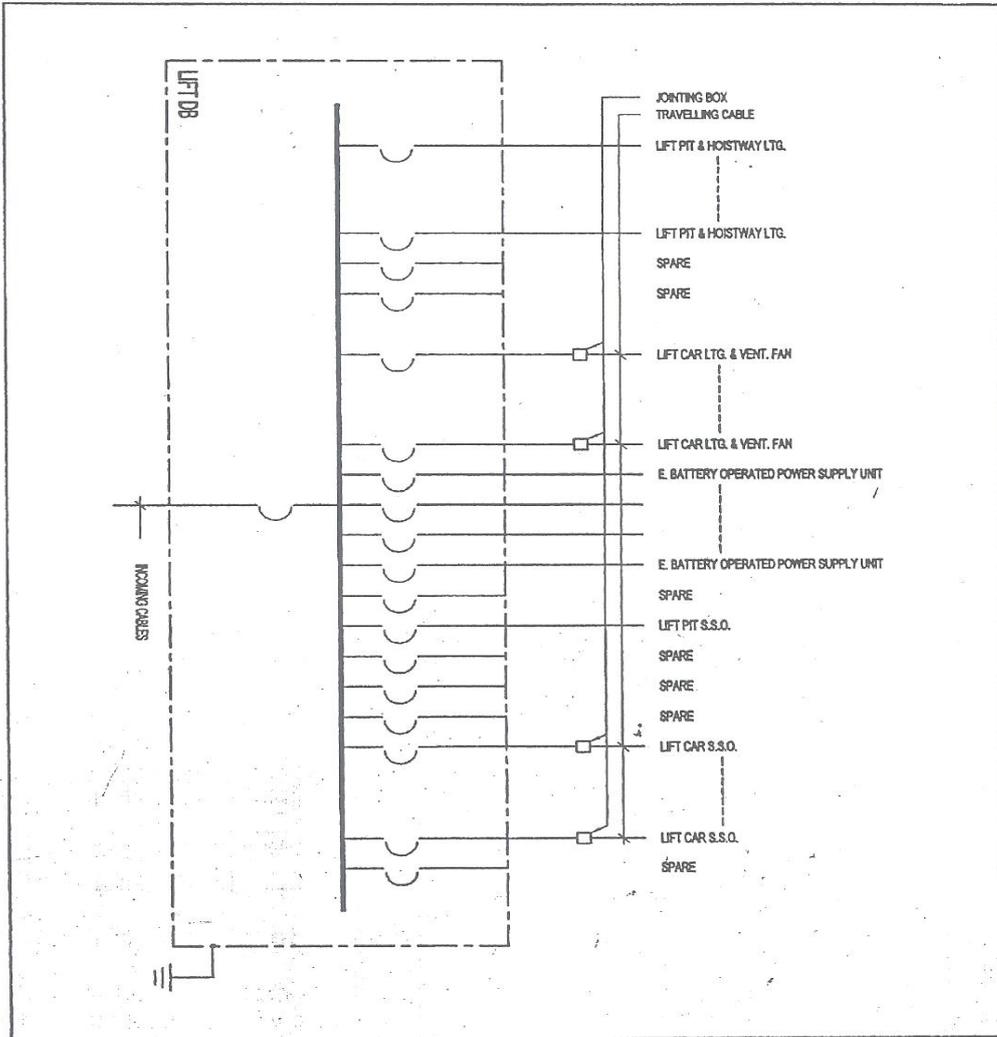
Type	1200
W1 (Escalator width)	1550
W2 (Between Moving Handrails)	1280
W3 (Between Skirt Panels)	1010
TK	990
TJ	2321 (HE ≤ 5400) 2675 (5400 ≤ HE ≤ 6500)

### Attach Figure - 4



**Typical example of lift switchboard in lift machine room**

**Attach Figure - 5**



**Typical example of lift distribution board in lift machine room**

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(1) 14665 (Part 1) : 2000  (Part 3/Sec 1 & 2) 2000 (Part 4/Sec 1 to 9):  2001	Electric traction lifts: Guidelines for outline dimensions of passenger, goods, service and hospital lifts Safety rules, Section 1 Passenger and goods lifts, Section 2 Service lifts Components, Section 1 Lift Buffers, Section 2 Lift guide rails and guide shoes, Section 3 Lift carframe, car, counterweight and suspension, Section 4 Lift safety gears and governors, Section 5 Lift retiring cam, Section 6 Lift doors and locking devices and contacts, Section 7 Lift machines and brakes. Section 8 Lift wire ropes, Section 9 Controller and operating devices
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(4) 14665 (Part 2/Sec 1&2): 2000	Electric traction lifts : Part 2 Code of practice for installation, [operation and maintenance], Section 1 Passenger and goods lifts, Section 2 Service lifts
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(11) SS550: 2009	Code of practice for Installation , operation and maintenance of electric passenger and goods lift
(12) EN 81 – 1 1998	European Standard
(13) 1985	Myanmar Electricity Regulation
(14) EN 115 : 1995	European Standard
(15) CP – 15 – 2004	Code of practice for installation operation and maintenance of escalator and passenger conveyors