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# Panelboard and switchboards series rating information manual

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meet this standard. Series rated systems have be effective method of meeting these requirements.

There are three protection systems used to protect age power distribution conductors and equipment

- Fully rated protection
- Fully rated, selectively coordinated protection
- Series rated protection

**Fully Rated Protection**: Where all overcurrent dev rated for the full prospective short-circuit current a side terminals throughout the system.

**Selectively Coordinated Protection**: Is a fully rate where the overcurrent device closest to the fault v first, thus isolating the faulty circuit.

Series Rated Protection: A short-circuit interrupti assigned to a combination of two or more overcu protective devices that are connected in series and rating of the downstream device(s) in the combin less than the series rating.

The short-circuit interrupting rating of the first de series must be equal to or greater than the availa current. Downstream breakers, however, are not for the system's available fault current.

Series ratings are also known in the industry as ir ratings, series combination ratings, and series co ratings. The upstream overcurrent device in the s be either internally or externally feeding downstre devices.



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are responsible for their own testing, labeling, and listing. Therefore, the *UL Recognized Components Directory* can not be used to interpret series-connected ratings in equipment.

# **Code Issues**

Requirements of NFPA 70—the National Electrical Code for series ratings may be met by equipment marked with ratings adequate for the available fault current at the point of application in the electrical system. Eaton's panelboards and switchboards are marked consistent with NEC Article 240.86 for tested combinations.

NEC 240.86 Motor Contribution. Series ratings shall not be used where:

- Motors are connected on the load side of the higherrated overcurrent device and on the line side of the lower-rated device.
- 2. The sum of the full-load currents exceeds 1% of the interrupting rating of the lower-rated breaker.

**Note:** NEC 240.86 is additive and both conditions must be met to apply.

Additionally, NEC Article 110.22 requires field marking on equipment where series ratings are used. This label is supplied with Eaton panelboards and switchboards using series combination ratings and reads "Caution—Series Combination System Rated \_\_\_\_\_ Amperes Available. Identified Replacement Component Required."



**Note to Installing Electrician:** NEC 110.22 requires the installer to properly apply and complete this label. Label(s) must be placed on all equipment where series ratings are used.



#### Figure 1.

**Conclusion**: This conclusion is wrong when the downs service has a blow-open contact assembly, as does a molded-case circuit breaker or similar device. It may b valid when the current-limiting fuse is sized to protect passive bus bar system.

The up-over-down method ignores dynamic impedance (the inherent current-limiting of the downstream mole case circuit breaker). Such impedance is developed di by the forces of the let-through current created when contacts are blown open.

Some breakers rated 15 to 50 amperes, 120/240 volt maximum have been investigated and found suitable use in panelboards from a different manufacturer. The identified as "Classified" breakers. DO NOT USE SERI RATINGS WITH "CLASSIFIED" BREAKERS! Series rati apply ONLY to those Eaton breakers listed and publist this booklet.



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in bold/shaded areas. Respective branch breakers are shown directly below their associated main device. If a rating is not initially found in a column, first look to the columns to the right for higher "Series Equipment Ratings" within the same table. If still not found, use ratings from table of a higher system voltage (higher numbered table).

#### Example 1:

208Y/120 volt, 3-phase, 4-wire, AC system with available fault current of 26,438 amperes. Main (upstream) device is a 3-pole, 225 ampere, EDS breaker. The branch (down-stream) breakers are single- and 2-pole, 20, 30, and 60 amperes, 120 volt and 120/240 volt BAB breakers.

- 1. Go to the 120/240 volts table (Table 1).
- 2. Look down under the 22 kA column. This rating is not shown.
- 3. Look to the columns to the right. This combination rating is shown under the 42 kA column, and therefore is valid.

### Example 2:

480Y/277 volt, 3-phase, 4-wire, AC system with available fault current of 62,097 amperes. Main (upstream) device is a 3-pole 250 ampere, HJD breaker. The branch (downstream) breakers are 2- and 3-pole, 60, 70, and 100 ampere EHD breakers.

- 1. Go to the 480Y/277 volts table (Table 4).
- 2. Look down under the 65 kA column. This rating is not shown.
- 3. Look to the columns to the right. This rating is not shown.
- 4. Look at the table with the next higher system voltage. (480 volts, **Table 5**).
- This combination rating is shown under the 65 kA column, and therefore is valid.

- 3. Go to the 277 volts table (**Table 3**).
- Look under the 25 kA column. This rating is n Look to the columns to the right. This rating i under the 35 kA column, and therefore is valifor combinations with the single-pole GHQ bit

# **Other Applications of Series Ratings**

Series ratings can also be applied under the follow guidelines:

- Any FULLY RATED breaker can be applied upst downstream, or in the middle of any of the seri stated in the tables
- Any series rating stated in the tables may have series rated branch breakers of the EXACT SAN further downstream in that rating

COMBINING SERIES RATINGS are allowed under conditions. Main and branch ratings may be com

Breakers A, B, and C are in series respectively f main to branch. Breakers A and B series rate to Breakers A and C series rate at the same interru (or higher). It is allowable to use A, B, and C tog the A-B series rating

It is improper to combine series ratings under the condition:

Breakers A, B, and C are in series respectively f to branch. Breakers A and B series rate togethe B and C series rate at the Breaker B interrupting level. It is not allowable to use A, B, and C toge A-B series rating. However, combining multiple rent devices as in this example, can be accomp all devices in the series combination have been together and listed in triple rating **Table 13** 

**Note:** The information contained in this manual also app specifying the upstream overcurrent protective device for through-feed and sub-feed panelboards without an integration of the second second

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	QBAF QBAG	QBAF QBAG		QPGF QBAF QBAG QBHW QPHW		OPGF OBAF OBAG OBHW OPHW EHD FD			QPGF QBAF QBAG QBHW QPHW GB, GHB GHQ EHD FD HFD	
125						EGH GHQ, GHB				
150	FDB BA, BAB HQP QBGF QBAF QBAG									
200						LA-P BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW EHD FD				
225		EDB BA, BAB BABRP BABRSP HOP OBGF OPHGF OBHGF OPHGF OPHGF OBHW OPHW OBAF OBAG	EDS BA, BAB BABRP BABRSP HOP OBGF OPGF OBHGF OPHGF OBHW OPHW OBAF OBAG	ED, FD, FDE BA, BAB BABRP BABRSP HQP QBGF QPGF QBAF QBAG QBHW QBHGF		EDH, CHH BA, BAB BABRP BABRSP HOP OBGF OPGF OBAF OBAF	HFD, HFDE BA, BAB HQP QBGF QBAF QBAG QBHW QPHW QPHW QBHGF GB, GHB GHQ, GHQRSP EHD FD, EGS	FDC BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW		G G G E FI H E E

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	KDB	KDB, CKD	BA (15–70A)	KDB	BA (15–70A)	CHKD	OBHW	GB. GH
	BA, BAB BABRP BABRSP HQP QBGF QPGF QBAF QBAG	BA (15–70A) BAB (15–70A) BABRP BABRSP HQP (15–70A) QBHW QPHW	BAB (15–70A) BABRP BABRSP HQP (15–70A) QBHW QPHW	EHD	BAB (15–70A) HQP (15–70A)	GB, GHB EHD FD EGS ①	QPHW	EHD FD HFD EGS EGH
600						CHLD, HLD		
						EHD		
800						HMDL		
						EHD		
1200						HND, CHND NGH, NGH-C		
						EHD 2		
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Not valid with CHKD.
 Valid for single-pole only.



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									FD, FDE FDB HFD, HFDE
125						EGH GHB			
150	FDB BAB_H HQP_H								
200						LA-P			
						BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H EHD FDB FD JD, JDB			
225		EDB	EDS	ED	FD, FDE	EDH, EDC	HFD, HFDE	FDC	FDC
		HQP_H BAB_H QBHW QPHW	HQP_H BAB_H QBHW QPHW CHH ① BAB_H	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H EHD (15–70A) FDB	BAB_H HQP_H	BAB_H HOP_H OBHW_H OPHW_H GB, GHB EHD FDB FD, FDE	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H	GB, GHB EHD FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE
250				JD, JDB	HJD	HJD	JDC		JDO
				BAB_H (15–70A) HQP_H (15–70A) QBHW_H QPHW_H EHD FDB	BAB_H (15–70A) HQP_H (15–70A) QBHW_H QPHW_H	GB, GHB EHD FD ED JD, JDB EGS	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H		GB, GHB EHD FD, FDE FDB HFD, EDB, ED, HFDE EDH JD, JDB HJD, EGS,

1 Valid with BAB\_H only.

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	FDB	ED JD, JDB DK, KD, KDB EGS ®		EDH JD, JDB HJD DK, KD, KDB HKD	FDB FD, HFD, El ED, FDE, Hl EDH JD, JDB HJD DK, KD, KD HKD
500		NB-P			
		JD, JDB KD, KDB, DK CKD			
600		HLD, HLDB, CHLD		LDC	
		GB <sup>①</sup> , GHB <sup>①</sup> FD, EDB, EDS ED, EHD JD, JDB KD, KDB, DK, CKD LD, LDB		EDB, EDS, ED EDH	
800		NB-P	HMDL		
		KD, KDB, DK	EHD FD		
1200		HND, CHND			NDC
		EDB, EDS, ED EHD			EDB, EDS, EDH
2500		RD			RDC
		EDB, EDS, ED			EDB, EDS, EDH

Valid on 2- and 3-pole breakers only. Not valid for single-pole.
 Not valid with CHKD.



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125			EGS	EGH			
			GHQ GHB	GHQ GHB			
225			FD, FDE	HFD, HFDE	FDC		
			GHB GHQ GHQRSP GHBGFEP 1	GHB, GHQRSP GHQ EHD FD, GHBGFEP 2	GHB EHD FD HFD		
250	JD, JDB		JD, JDB	HJD	LCL	JDC	
	GHB		GHB (15–50A) GHBGFEP	GHB (15–50A) EHD FD GHBGFEP	GHBS	GHB EHD FD HFD	
400	KD, KDB	HKD	KD, KDB	HKD, CHKD	KDC		LC
	CKD	CHKD	CKD	GHB	GHB		GHB
C	GHB	GHB	GHB (15–50A) EHD FD	EHD FD	EHD FD HFD		EHD FD HFD

Not valid with FDE.
 Not valid with HFDE.

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Table 4. 480Y/277 Volts AC—Breaker/Breaker Series Ratings

Main devices shown in shaded area, centered at top. Respective branch devices shown directly below. All ratings in this table apply to 2- and 3-pole branch breakers only. For single-pole branch breakers, see **Table 3**.

Main Breaker Maximum Amperes	Series Equipment F	Series Equipment Rating—kA Symmetrical									
	22	25	35	65	100	150					
100						FCL					
						GHB, GHORS					
125			EGS	EGH							
			GHB	GHB							
225			FD, FDE	HFD, HFDE	FDC						
			GHB, GHQRSP	GHB, GHQRSP	GHB						
250	JD, JDB		JD, JDB	HJD	JDC						
	GHB		GHB (15–50A)	GHB	GHB						
400	KD, KDB	HKD, CHKD	KD, KDB	HKD, CHKD	KDC	LCL					
	CKD	GHB	CKD	GHB (15–50A)	GHB	GHB					
C	GHB		GHB (15–50A)								



				EHD FDB FD HFD JD, JDB HJD		
225		FD, FDE	HFD, HFDE	FDC		
		EHD FDB	EHD FDB FD, FDE EGS <sup>①</sup>	EHD, EGS, EGH FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE		
250	JD, JDB		HJD	JDC		
	EHD FDB		EHD FDB FD, FDE JD, JDB EGS	EHD, EGS, EGH FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE JD, JDB HJD		FDE, H
400		KD, KDB	HKD	KDC	LA-P	
		EHD FDB	EHD FDB FD, FDE JD, JDB KD, KDB EGS	EHD, EGS, EGH FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE JD, JDB HJD KD, KDB HKD	JD, JDB HJD KD, KDB HKD	EHD FDB FD, FDI HFD, H FDC JD, JDI HJD KD, KD HKD
500				NB-P		
				JD, JDB HJD KD, KDB HKD		
600		LD, LDB CLD	HLD, HLDB CHLD			
		JD, JDB	FD, FDE JD, JDB KD, KDB LD, LDB			

<sup>①</sup> Not valid with HFDE.



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	FD JD, JDB	FD HFD JD, JDB HJD			
400	KD, KDB	HKD, CHKD	KDC	KDC	LCL
	CKD FDB FD JD, JDB	FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE JD, JDB HJD	FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE	JD, JDB HJD KD, KDB HKD	FDB FD, FDE HFD, HFDE FDC JD, JDB HJD JDC KD, KDB HKD KDC
600	LD, LDB CLD	HLD, HLDB CHLD			
	FD JD, JDB	KD, KDB LD, LDB			

# Table 7. 120/240 Volts AC—Fuse/Breaker Series Ratings

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Main fuse class shown in shaded area, centered at top. Respective branch devices shown directly below.

Main	Series Equipment Rating—kA Symmetrical								
Fuse Maximum Amperes	100			200					
100						R			
						BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW GB GHB			
200			R	J	Т				
			GB GHB	BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW	BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW				
400	J	Т		J	Т				
	BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW	BA, BAB HQP QBHW QPHW		GB GHB	GB GHB				



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200			R	J	Т	
			GB GHB	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H	GB GHB
400	J	Т		J	Т	
	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H	BAB_H HQP_H QBHW_H QPHW_H		GB GHB	GB GHB	
4000			L			
			EHD FDB FD, FDE ED JD, JDB DK, KD, KDB			

### Table 9. 277 Volts AC Fuse/Breaker Series Ratings

Main fuse class shown in shaded area, centered at top. Respective branch devices shown directly below. All ratings in this table apply to single-pole branch breakers only. For 2- and 3-pole branch breakers, consult other

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Main	Series Equipment	Series Equipment Rating—kA Symmetrical									
Fuse Maximum Amperes	65		100	200							
100			J	Т		R					
			GHBS GHQ GHQRSP	GHBS GHQ GHQRSP		GHB					
200	J	Т	J	Т	R						
	GHBS GHQ GHQRSP	GHBS GHQ GHQRSP	EHD FD HFD	EHD FD HFD	GHB						
400						J					
						GHB	GHB				



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400				J	Т	
				GHB	GHB	
600		J	Т			
		EHD FD, FDE HFD, HFDE FDC	GHB EHD FD, FDE HFD, HFDE FDC JD HJD JDC			

## Table 11. 480 Volts AC—Fuse/Breaker Series Ratings

Main fuse class shown in shaded area, centered at top. Respective branch devices shown directly below. All ratings in this table apply to 2- and 3-pole branch breakers only. Not valid for single-pole branch breakers.

Main	Series Equipment Rating—kA Symmetrical					
Fuse Maximum Amperes	100			200		
100			R			
			EHD			
200	J	Т				
	EHD FD HFD FDC	EHD FD HFD FDC				

200	J	Т	R		
	FD, FDE HFD, HFDE FDC	FD, FDE HFD, HFDE FDC	JD JDC		
400	J	т	R		
	JDC JDC	JDC JDC	KD HKD KDC		
600				J	т
				KD HKD KDC	KD HKD KDC

#### **Table 13. Triple Series Ratings**

Main Fuse Class and Maximum Amperes	Tenant Main Type	Branch Type	System Voltage	Sho Circ Seri Rati (kA,
L-6000	DK, KD, KDB	GB, GHB, EHD 1	240	100
L-6000	DK, KD, KDB	GB, GHB	120/240	100
L-6000	DK, KD, KDB	FD <sup>①</sup> , FDB	240	100
L-6000	DK, KD, KDB	JD, JDB	240	100
L-6000	JD, JDB	GB, GHB	240	100
L-6000	JD, JDB	GB, GHB	120/240	100
L-6000	FD	GB, GHB	240	100
L-6000	FD	GB, GHB	120/240	100
L-6000	FD, FDB	BAB_H, HQP_H QBHW_H, QPHW_H	240	100
L-6000	FD, FDB	BA, BAB HQP (15–70A)	120/240	100
L-6000	EHD	BAB_H, HQP_H	240	100
L-6000	EHD	BA, BAB, HQP	120/240	100

<sup>①</sup> Valid on 2- and 3-pole breakers only. Not valid for single-pole.

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 F02A-1-AS
 F02A-3/4A

 F03A250V10A
 F03A250V12A
 MDA-2-8/10-R
 MDA-30A