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CONSTRUCTION STANDARD FOR OVERHEAD SERVICE CONNECTIONS

1 INTRODUCTION

Electricity distribution has developed rapidly and various systems have been adopted with different pole sizes and materials for service connection construction. Standardization of construction methods for service connections would offer advantages both to the customer and to the Ceylon Electricity Board and its contractors. The CEB has introduced this Construction Standard for Service Connections for the use of all CEB staff and their contractors for providing service connections.

2 SCOPE

This standard includes guidelines, selection of materials, methods of construction and material requirement for different packages for overhead service connections.

3 DESIGN CRITERIA

3.1 Environmental Parameters

The following physical design parameters have been accepted in the CEB.

Climate		Equatorial, intense sunshine, heavy rain, salt and dust laden atmosphere.	
Ambient air temperatures			
Minimum	:	7 °C	
Normal range	:	27 °C	
Mean annual	:	32 °C	
Maximum		40 °C	
Average annual rainfall		2400 mm	
Relative humidity		90%	
Maximum wind velocity		34 m / sec	
Altitude		MSL to 1900 m above MSL	
Isokeraunic (Thunder days) level		100 days	
Solar radiation		4.5 kwh/m ² /day	

Table 1 : Environmental Parameters

3.2 System Parameters

Table	2:	System	Parameters
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Nominal system voltage	:	400 / 230 V
Maximum system voltage	:	424 /244V
Type of system grounding	:	Neutral Earthed at Distribution Substation
System frequency	:	50 Hz
Allowable nominal maximum voltage drop in LV distribution	:	5%
Allowable voltage drop on service wire	:	1%

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3.3 Clearance Parameters for Low Voltage Lines

3.3.1 Minimum Statutory Clearances

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Table 3	: Minimum	Statutory	Clearances

	Clearances (m)			
Description	Bare / Semi insulated conductor	Insulated wire		
Ground clearance required across Public Roads	5.5m	5.5m		
Ground clearance required in places where accessible to Vehicular traffic	4.9m	3.7m		
Ground clearance required in places where inaccessible to Vehicular traffic	4.6m	2.7m		
Vertical clearance to building	2.4m	0.15m		
Horizontal clearance to building	1.5m	0.15m		
Vertical or horizontal clearance to telephone line	1.2m	0.6m		
Vertical or horizontal clearance to trees	Vertical-2.7m Horizontal-1.5m	0.15m		
Vertical or horizontal clearance to Railway (To the top of the line)	6.7 m	6.7m		
Vertical or horizontal clearance to 33kV Line	1.5 m	1.5 m		
Vertical or horizontal clearance to 11kV Line	1.2m	1.2m		

3.3.2 Minimum Electrical Clearances

Table 4 : Minimum Electrical Clearances

Minimum clearance between live metal and earth	46 mm
Minimum clearance between live metal of different phases	150 mm

4 CONSTRUCTION OF OVERHEAD SERVICE CONNECTIONS

4.1 Guidelines on fixing electricity meter on customer premises wall

- 4.1.1 Service lines should be routed as far as practicable to avoid interference or crossing lands owned by third parties. When a premises is situated at a considerable distance away from the distribution main, the service main should be routed along the access road to the premises except in instances where a property of the person to whom the service is given is only affected. Avoid crossing lands of a third party as far as possible. Notice under Item 3 of Schedule 1 of the Electricity Act no. 20 of 2009 and its latest relevant amendments should be served to the third party when crossing such land is unavoidable.
- 4.1.2 If the service connection length is less than 110m, insulated service main wire (Drawing No. SC-08) shall be used for both Single Phase and Three Phase Domestic/General Purpose service connections, using 6m poles shown in Drawing No. SC-01, SC-02, SC-03 and SC-04. The length of a span of insulated service main wire shall not exceed 40 meters.
- 4.1.3 Insulated service main wire length of a Single Phase or Three Phase service

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connection in a private property for Domestic/General Purpose where no future customers are anticipated shall not exceed 110m. If the length of the service connection is longer than 110m in a private property, the excess length shall be constructed out of Aerial Bundled Conductor (ABC) 2 Core/4 Core using 8.3m/9m poles shown in Drawing No. **SC-05** and **SC-06** respectively.

In the event future customers are expected from this service connection on the way, the whole length of service line up to the required pole shall be constructed out of ABC (2 Core/4 Core) using 8.3m /9m poles and the rest of the line shall be of insulated service main wire. The length of a span of ABC Line shall not exceed 40 m.

- 4.1.4 ABC (2Core/4Core) may be strung on 8.3m/9m poles with the approval of Area Engineer, if a higher strength of the line is required.
- 4.1.5 In the event where the third service connection is requested from an existing service line along the same route, the existing service wire up to the required tapping pole shall be replaced with ABC (2Core/4Core) using 8.3/9m poles.
- 4.1.6 ABC shall be strung on 8.3m/9m poles along roads and foot paths for giving service connections. However, under special circumstances Bare Aluminium Conductors shall be drawn on 8.3m/9.0m poles on Area Engineers approval.
- 4.1.7 In every category of service connection, the last span should be of insulated service main wire and generally not exceed 30m; however, in special circumstances it may be appropriate to change the last span slightly by obtaining the approval of the Area Engineer.
- 4.1.8 Special precautions shall be taken to avoid any possible voltage fluctuations in the system before providing the service connections to small industrial establishments such as Saw Mills, Metal Crushers and Welding Plants etc. A separate circuit shall be drawn from the transformer to such customers' installations in order to minimize the voltage fluctuations to the other customers.
- 4.1.9 A separate feeder shall be drawn in providing service connections to Telecommunication towers.
- 4.1.10 Materials should not be accepted from applicants for service connections under any circumstances except the Service Bracket/Support.
- 4.1.11 Existing poles may be used for giving service connections to a customer using additional D-Brackets & Insulators for AAC and Multiple Service Connection (MSC) Boxes/ T off piercing connectors (Single/Multiple) for ABC. However, existing Medium Voltage Steel Towers should not be used as supports when service connections are given.
- 4.1.12 To provide electricity supplies for multiple connections in the same building, structure or land, after applying diversity factors, a single service wire/ABC should be drawn to a Multiple Service Connection Box (Multiple Service

Connection Box/Cabinet/Busbar Chamber as described in Clause 5.9) installed at the common metering point, preferably located in a common place i.e. underneath the stairway, ground floor, lobby etc.

Diversity Factors which are acceptable for the respective year should be used when selecting the MSC Box.

The load wires of separately metered installations should be brought to the common metering point.

- 4.1.13 Load balancing of the distribution line shall be ensured before the service connection is provided. This should be decided at the investigation stage.
- 4.1.14 In case where network capacity limitation exceeds, such cases shall referred to the Area Engineer to take network improvement proposals from Provincial Planning Engineer.
- 4.2 Guidelines on fixing or shifting electricity meter on customer premises boundary wall for retail customers
- 4.2.1 There are four types of networks between the metering point and the distribution board of the customer premises.

	Service Load Wire			
Type of network	Connection by overhead cables or Cables laid along wall	Connection by underground Cables		
a)Single/Three phase	2 x 10 mm ² , Al PVC	6 mm ²		
connection – 30A	insulated-Twin flat both	Cu/PVC/SWA/PVC		
up to 110 m	cores insulated	two/four cores		
b) Three phase	2 x 16 mm ² , Al PVC	16 mm ²		
connection –	insulated-Twin flat both	Cu/PVC/SWA/PVC or		
60A up to 110 m	cores insulated	XLPE two/four cores		

Table 5 : Cable selection for fixing or shifting electricity meter on customer premises boundary

For c) and d) above, equivalent capacity overhead line shall be drawn from the metering point to the building and the maximum total line length should be less than 500 m.



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	Connection	Balance part of the network		
Type of network	from LV network to the metering point	Overhead	Underground	
c) (i) Single phase connection – 30A beyond 110 m and up to 500 m	2 x 50 mm ² LV ABC from LV network up to metering point by CEB	2 x 10 mm ² , Al PVC insulated- Twin flat both	1 x 35 mm ² LV Al/XLPE UG Cable	
 (ii)Three phase connection – 30A beyond 110 m and up to 500 m 	4 x 70 mm ² LV ABC from LV network up to metering point by CEB	cores insulated	4 x 35 mm ² LV Al/XLPE UG Cable	
d) Three phase connection – 60A beyond 110 m and up to 500 m	4 x 70 mm ² LV ABC from LV network up to metering point by CEB	2 x 16 mm ² , Al PVC insulated- Twin flat both cores insulated	4 x 35 mm ² LV Al/XLPE UG Cable	

- 4.2.2 When the service wire to be drawn along the wall of the customer premises, it shall be done with care with weatherproof conduits up to 110m from the existing LV network. If the service load wire is drawn as overhead network, 6 m heavy gauge GI pipes of 75 mm shall be erected and the last span of the service wire shall be not greater than 30 m. The service load wire shall be 10 mm² with PVC insulated for 30 A connections and 16 mm² with PVC insulated for 60 A connections.
- 4.2.3 If the service load wire is buried from the distribution board to the metering location, armoured underground cables shall be used. The cable should be buried at least 0.7 m below the ground. Sand should be filled over and under the cable and suitable soil shall be filled up to the ground level. The cable warning tapes, and cable warning tiles should be placed 0.3 m and 0.6 m below the ground level, respectively. End termination which is facilitated by using a proper armoured gland kit shall be supplied and installed by CEB. Cables that are not categorized as standard underground cables, shall be avoided for underground cabling.
- 4.2.4 The meter should be placed at the cubicle provided in front of the boundary wall of the customer as per the **Drawing No. SC 16**. The cubicle should be securely locked from the road side/front side and facilities for locking is required to provide at the cubicle in addition to the sealing arrangement by

CEB. Meter enclosure shall be with minimum IP 65 rating.

- 4.2.5 Separately accessible residual current device (e.g. RCCB) with sensitivity of 30 mA shall be installed by the customer inside the IP 65 rated cubicle probably in the back of the boundary wall with a proper earthing arrangement for protection of the cable in between the distribution board and the metering point. Earth electrode and earth wire should be available for reliable operation of protective circuit breaker and to facilitate earthing of metallic part of meter enclosure. Earth electrode resistance shall be less than 35 Ω .
- 4.2.6 Customer has to erect a heavy gauge top sealed GI pipe with a diameter of 50 mm² and height of 6m adjacent to the boundary wall, for guiding the service wire from the overhead line. In case when the overhead line is at the other side of the road, erection of an additional 8.3 m pole at the boundary wall end shall be done if necessary to guide the service wire. The service wire shall be drawn through suitable conduits at boundary wall of the customer.
- 4.2.7 A certificate from a chartered electrical engineer certifying the conformity of standards of customer installation has to be provided with the application, by the customer.

5 TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF OVERHEAD SERVICE CONNECTIONS

5.1 Supports

5.1.1 6m Poles are designed for use only within customer premises and with insulated wires. It should not be used as tapping poles at the existing LV lines.6m Pole designs are as follows

Pole Type	Drawing No.	Purpose	Relevant CEB Specification
6m/50kg RC	SC-01	Service connection only	44-1:1996
6m/50kg PS Spun	SC-02	Service connection only, where transport is difficult, For non-coastal areas	44-4:2017
6m/50kg Light Weight RC	SC-03	Service connection only, where transport is difficult, For non-coastal areas	44-5: 2017
5.8m Galvanized Iron Tubular Pole	SC-04	Service connection only, where transport is difficult, For non-coastal areas	66:1998
6m/1.2kN of UBL Wooden	6m+150 mm or- 75mm,	Service connection only, where transport is difficult	81:2001, SLS848 Pant 3(for pole dimensions)

Table 6 : Available 6m poles

- 5.1.2 Loose "MID SPAN" tapping shall be avoided. In case where mid span tappings are required, then a new pole (8.3m or 9m) shall be erected on the distribution line and existing line be connected on to the new pole using D Brackets or Piercing connectors/Suspension clamps as per the Drawing No. SC-17, SC-18 and SC-19.
- 5.1.3 Poles shall be vertically erected and pits rammed to avoid wash out due to rain etc. The back filling of pole pits shall be done with earth or gravel and well rammed. The filling shall be up to a height not less than 25 cm above ground level.
- 5.1.4 Avoid water drains when locating pole pits.

5.1.7 Selection of Poles for service connection

- 5.1.5 Loading, transporting, unloading and stacking of poles shall be carried out in such a manner as to reduce the stresses on the concrete poles. The poles shall be transported with the full length of pole resting on the bed of the trailer used for transport. The smaller surface area shall rest on the bed of the trailer. However additional iron bracket may be provided if poles are to be transported in a slanted position, in this case the narrow surface area shall fall on the slanting plane, for the pole to take up the bending moments that develop.
- 5.1.6 The pole position shall be pointed out at site as decided at the time of estimation.

D I		M N	Ground Clean	rance (m)	Max.	Buried
Pole size	Purpose	Max. No. of wires	Statutory requirement	Max. possible	Span (m)	length (m)
6m 50kg	Single phase or Three phase insulated wire Service Connection in a private property/along the road	Refer Clause 3.3	3.7/3.5/2.7*	4.2	40	1.0
	LV line along the road which	2 Nos of ABC	2.7	6.0	35	1.4
8.3m 100kg	are inaccessible to the vehicular traffic	4 Nos. 7/3.40mm AAC	4.9	5.0	45	1.4
	LV line along the road which	2 Nos. ABC	3.7	6.0	35	1.4
8.3m 100kg	are accessible to the vehicular traffic	4 Nos. 7/3.40mm AAC	5.48	5.5	30	oved toffstruc

Table 7 : Selection of poles for service connections

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			Ground Clean	Max.	Buried	
Pole P size P	Purpose	Max. No. of wires	Statutory requirement	Max. possible	Span (m)	length (m)
	LV line along the road which	2 Nos. ABC	3.7	6.6	35	1.5
9m 115kg	are accessible to the vehicular traffic	4 Nos. 7/3.40mm AAC	5.48	5.52	45	1.5
10m	LV line along the road accessible to the vehicular	2 Nos. ABC	3.7	7.43	35	1.7
300kg	traffic and more clearance is required	4 Nos. 7/3.40mm AAC	5.48	7.23	40	1.7

* Inaccessible to the vehicular traffic and public–2.7m Accessible to the vehicular traffic and public–3.7m Accessible to vehicle but not for Public–3.5m

5.1.8 Selection of span for Service Connection (6m/50kg Service Pole) Table 8 : Selection of span for Service Connection

Configuration	Angle of deviation (Deg.)	Max. span (m)
01 Nos. Insulated Service Wire 7/1.35	60	40
-do-	90	33
02 Nos. Insulated Service Wire 7/1.35	15	40
-do-	90	30
01 Nos. Insulated Service Wire 7/1.70	40	40
-do-	90	32
02 Nos. Insulated Service Wire 7/1.70	10	40
02 Nos. Insulated Service Wire 7/1.70	15	38
-do-	20	37
-do-	30	35
-do-	40	32
-do-	45	31
-do-	60	26
-do-	90	22



- 5.1.9 When angle of deviation is greater than 90° , each case shall be analysed separately to determine the maximum span.
- 5.1.10 Single Phase and Three Phase Service Connection Arrangements are indicated in the **Drawing No. SC-21** and **SC-22**.
- 5.1.11 Construction methods of ABC and AAC overhead lines for service connections shall be followed as given in the "CEB Distribution Construction Standards No. 03- "Overhead LV Line Construction".

5.2 Service Wire

- 5.2.1 Types of Service Wire
 - a) Twin Service Main Wire

The cable is twin, one core is Brown colored PVC/XLPE Insulated, the other core bare, laid parallel and both cores sheathed with Black PVC overall as per **Drawing No. SC-08**.

b) Twin Flat Service Main Wire

The cable is twin flat, one core is Gray colored PVC/XLPE Insulated and the other core is Black colored PVC/XLPE Insulated and both laid parallel and sheathed with Black PVC overall as per **Drawing No. SC-08**.

5.2.2 Details of the Service Wires

Table 9 : Details of Service wires	Table	9	: D	etails	of	Service	wires
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Service Wire Type	7/1.35mm	7/1.70mm
Nominal Cross Section Area mm2	2 x 10	2 x 16
Ultimate Tensile Strength kg	370	590
Maximum working load kg	110	180
Conductor Resistance Ohm/km (Single)	2.997	1.979
Maximum Current Rating Amp.	46	65
Service Wire Type	7/1.35mm	7/1.70mm
Approximate Weight kg/km; Twin	155	211
Flat Twin	157	214



- 5.2.3 Single Phase, 30A Service Connection shall be given with 10mm² Twin Service Main Wire where phase Conductor is insulated Brown and the neutral conductor is bare and sheathed together.
- 5.2.4 Three Phase Service shall be given with;
 - i. One Twin Flat Service Main Wire where both conductors are insulated Gray and Black and sheathed together &
 - ii. One Twin Service Main Wire where phase conductor is Insulated Brown and the neutral conductor is bare and sheathed together.

For 30A and 60 A Service connections, Service Main Wires of 10mm² and 16mm² shall be used respectively.

5.2.5 Service wire shall be properly bound to the insulator at either end using Aluminium Binding Wire No. 11 as per Drawing No. SC-17 and SC-18, Detail C.

Conductor Strands should not be used as binding wire.

- 5.2.6 Service wire shall not be under tensioned to cause unnecessary sag nor should it be over tensioned to cause damage to the conductor or slanting of the tap off pole.
- 5.2.7 Service wire shall be directly connected to the distribution line as follows;

Conductor	Connector Type	Drawing No
ABC	Piercing Connector (Drawing No. SC-08)	SC-19
Bare (AAC)	H Type Compression Line Tap (Drawing No. SC-08)	SC-17 & SC-18 Details A & B

Table 10 : Connector types in service connections

5.2.8 Removal of outer PVC Sheath of the Service Wire beyond the tapping point of neutral shall not be allowed as per **Drawing No. SC-17 & SC-18.**

5.3 Service Line Tap for AAC

H-type compression service line taps shall be used at tap off points of Service Connections in AAC lines.

The number of crimps per connector shall be two or more.

Cleaning Brush (Wire Brush) shall be used to clean surfaces of Aluminium and Copper conductors before inserting the conductor to the connector.

Either "G" Head type hydraulic compression tool or hand operated mechanical tool shall be used with "O" or "D3" type dies for compression of H Type connectors. The number of crimps per connector shall be two when using "G" Head type hydraulic compression tool and four crimps with hand operated mechanical tool.



5.3.1 H Type Compression Service Line Tap

Compression connector is made out of high strength and high conductivity Aluminium or Aluminium Alloy as per **Drawing No. SC-09**.

The internal faces of connector are coated with oxide inhibiting grease/compound to improve electrical contact and ensure maximum electrical performance of fittings.

The contact surfaces of the compression connector are uniform to provide effective contact with the conductors.

5.4 Service Line Tap for ABC

5.4.1 Insulated Piercing Service Connectors

Piercing connectors shall be used to connect the insulated service wire to Aerial Bundled Conductor Distribution Lines.

After placing the conductor in the connector, the connector bolt shall be tightened until shearing of its head. Once fixed, piercing connector shall never be removed or reused.

Piercing connectors are insulated and suitable for use on live lines.

It is of insulation piercing type on main and tap conductors as per **Drawing No.** SC-09.

An insulating cap is provided with the connector to tightly insert the tail of the service cable in to the cap to prevent water penetration to the service wire.

5.4.2 Selection of insulated Piercing Connectors for Service Tappings;

Table 11 : Selection of insulated piercing connectors

	Cross Section of Conductors (mm ²)			
Connection Type	Main (Insulated Conductors/ Cables)	Tap (Insulated Aluminium)		
30 A & 60 A	70-95, 54.6-70	10-25		

5.4.3 Cleaning of Conductor for Jointing

Cleaning Brushes of proper type shall be used to clean surfaces of conductors and cables.

The handles of the brushes for copper are Copper coloured while those for Aluminium are Aluminium coloured.

5.5 D-Bracket and LV Insulators

5.5.1D Brackets

i) They are suitable for use with 90mm x 76mm (13 ¹/₂" x 3") LT Insulators and made out of 30mm x 6mm Flat Iron. All holes on the "D" Brackets are of the same size to allow a 16mm bolt to pass through as per Drawing No. SC-10.

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- ii) Insulator bolt and Pole bolt are made of 16mm round steel bars and lengths are 120mm and 200mm respectively.
- iii) The Flat Iron Washer 50 mm x 3.2 mm is provided with the bolts.

5.5.2 General Description of LV Insulators (Porcelain)

- i) The Insulators are made out of good commercial grade porcelain. They are Brown or White Glazed.
- ii)Dimensions are;

Overall diameter	90 mm
Height	76 mm
Bore	19 mm
Diameter of Grove	9.5 mm
Tolerance	+ 5%

Table 12 : LV Insulator dimensions	Table	12:	LV Insul	lator dimens	ions
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The Insulator is suitable for use with a single center Bolt of 16mm as per **Drawing No. SC-10**.

5.5.3 Service Wire shall be fitted to

i) An Insulator fixed at the top or bottom of the existing "D" Bracket by replacing the existing 120 x 16 mm bolt with a 200 x 16 mm bolt and nut as per **Drawing No. SC-17** and **SC-18 (Type 1).**

Or

ii) An Insulator fixed using extra holes in the existing LV line pole with "D" Brackets as per **Drawing No. SC-17** and **SC-18 (Type 2)**.

5.6 kWh Meter and Breaker

- 5.6.1 kWh meters and MCCB/MCB shall be installed vertically inside the meter enclosure as per Drawing No. SC-13 for single phase connections and Drawing No. SC-14 for three phase connections.
- 5.6.2 Insulated Service Main wire shall be connected to the meter directly and thereafter to the MCCB/MCB to prevent tampering.
- 5.6.3 Bimetallic pin shall be used in connecting aluminium service wire to the meter terminal made of copper to prevent galvanic corrosion. Proper die shall be used in crimping the aluminium conductor of the service wire.
- 5.6.4 Connections between Meter and the MCCB/MCB shall be done using copper conductors to prevent galvanic corrosion as both terminals are made of copper.
- 5.6.5 Meter enclosure shall be installed by means of brass screws and plastic roll plugs/ anchor bolts.
- 5.6.6 Terminal Cover of the meter and the meter enclosure shall be sealed using meter seals to prevent access by unauthorized personnel. For three phase connections,

load wire shall be connected via neutral link."

- 5.6.7 kWh meters shall be located outside the house at a place where it is protected from rain, direct sunlight, falling objects and easy access to get meter readings.
- 5.6.8 Meter connections shall be done as per Drawing No. SC-12.
- 5.6.9 Selection of kWh Meters

Purpose	kWh Meter Size	Operation Voltage
30 A single phase Service Connections	01 No. Single phase 10-40 A	240 V
30 A three phase Service Connections	01 No. Three Phase 40-100 A	240 / 415 V
60 A three phase Service Connections	01 No. Three Phase 40-100 A	240/ 415 V

5.6.10 Description of kWh Meters

The meters are 240 Volt, 50 Hertz, Single Phase, 2 wire or 415 Volts, 50 Hertz, three Phase 4 Wire kWh Meters.

The meter base, terminal covers and the terminal block are made of insulating material and equipped with collapsible carrying handles.

Provision is available to seal the meter cover and terminal cover separately to prevent tempering.

Each terminal has two screws for effectively clamping the cable.

The words "Property of the Ceylon Electricity Board" is engraved on the name plate and the serial number is also engraved on the name plate of the meter.

5.6.11 Selection of MCCB/MCB

Table 14 : Selection of MCCB/MCB

Purpose	MCCB/MCB Size	Service Wire Size
Single phase 30A Service Connection	32 A 1P	10 mm ²
Three phase 30A Service Connection	32 A 3P	10 mm ²
Three phase 60A Service Connection	63 A 3P	16 mm ²

5.7 Meter Enclosure

5.7.1 A meter enclosure shall be installed as per Drawing No. SC-20.

The meter enclosure has a base and a cover. The base is suitable for mounting on a wall with screws as per **Drawing No. SC-12** for single phase and **Drawing No. SC-13** for three phase.

Suitable holes are provided on the base for wiring the load and main cable to the kWh meter as well as the MCCB/MCB.

The cover is transparent for viewing the kWh meter clearly.

Facilities are provided for sealing the enclosure to prevent access by unauthorized persons.

5.8 Service Bracket/Support

5.8.1 Service bracket of 50 x 50 x 5 mm (or 60 x 60 x 6 mm) angle iron with suitable holes and conduit pipes, bends and clips (**Drawing No. SC-10**)

Or

Arrangement made according to the **Drawing No. SC-15**, by the customer as required according to the location of the meter.

Or

Dead end clamp, Service attachment fitting and Cable Support for Service Drops as shown in **Drawing No. SC-10**, shall be supplied and installed by CEB.

5.8.2 The down run of the service wire shall be brought to the meter box in a visible manner. However, open conduit runs from service bracket to the meter are allowed as per **Drawing No. SC-10** and **SC-15**.

5.9 Multiple Service Connection Arrangements

- 5.9.1 The available Multiple Service Connection (MSC) arrangements are;
 - i) 60A three phase **Multiple Service Connection Box/T off piercing connector (Single/Multiple)** for ABC, for pole mounted applications.
 - ii) 60A three phase **Multiple Service Connection Cabinet** with Meters, for wall mounted applications
 - iii) Three phase Metal Clad **Busbar Chambers** for wall mounted applications with 160A/400A/1000A/1600A rated currents.

5.9.2 Details of 60A three phase Multiple Service Connection Box for pole mounted applications

5.9.2.1 The enclosure has a base and cover molded separately and assembled to form a complete unit by means of minimum two hinged/locking points and with sealing mechanism. Enclosure is not openable once sealed.

The enclosure is light gray colored and made of a material of non-metallic, rust free, flame retardant, not generating burning droplet in a fire.

It is suitable for outdoor use, weather resistant, withstands UV radiation, prevents the deterioration due to direct sunlight & natural weathering and groove & rubber strip in cover avoids water seepage/leak.

Rated fault level -18kA.



5.9.2.2 Following connections can be provided with this Multiple Service Connection Box;

	Cable Size (mm ²), Type and Max No. of Cables
Incoming Cable	3x70mm ² +54.6 mm ² , XLPE ABC, Aluminium -01 no.
Outgoing Cables*	PVC/XLPE insulated, Aluminium Service Main Wire- 6 x 10 mm² for 06 nos. 1ph/30A- 4 x 10/16 mm² for 02 nos. 3ph, 30/60 A

Table 15 : Connections possible with Multiple Service Connection Box

*No. of outgoing cables depends on the no. of service connections that can be given based on the diversity factors as explained in 4.1.12.

- 5.9.2.3 Holes for incoming and outgoing cables with suitable sized grommets are provided at the bottom of the box.
- 5.9.2.4 The box shall be mounted on rectangular, spun or wooden poles using two stainless steel tapes with suitable fixing arrangement or on flat surfaces with screws which are provided along with the box.
- 5.9.2.5 Cable connection area of the box have clearance of minimum 60 mm from cable entry side to prevent flashovers during maintenance and usage over time.
- 5.9.2.6 If the multiple service connection length is more than a span length, single cable of same size of incoming cable shall be drawn up to the last pole of the line where Multiple Service Connection Box is attached.

5.9.3 Details of 60 A three phase Multiple Service Connection Cabinet for wall mounted applications

5.9.3.1 Cabinet is anticorrosive, rust proof, shock proof, dust and vermin proof and of flame retardant and for wall mounted applications. It shall be installed indoors or outdoors without exposing to rain.

Rated fault level -10 kA.

- 5.9.3.2 This cabinet has two compartments;
 - i) Cable compartment: to accommodate incoming cable, constructed with 3x1ph DIN rail type, 63A type D MCBs and removable solid neutral link and connected to the meter cabinet through insulated busbars or other means with capacity of 63A.
 - ii) Meter compartment: to accommodate maximum 4 nos. 1ph/3ph meters and DIN rail type MCB of 32A/63A for each meter. Cover is transparent, and separate opening with a shutter with locking/sealing facility is provided to facilitate operating the MCB connected to meter.

Many meter compartments may be coupled together to extend the number of service connections. The connection between meter cabinets is provided by extending busbars and are of tamper-proof.

- 5.9.3.3 Both compartments are compacted and in combination and no exposed wire connections between compartments.
- 5.9.3.4 Cabinet has a suitable fixing arrangement on wall with screws that are provided with the cabinet.
- 5.9.3.5 Following connections can be provided;

	Cable Size, Type and No. of Cables		
Incoming Cable to cable compartment	01 No. Twin Service Main wire and 01 no. Twin Flat Service Main wire of 16 mm ² (Ref. Dwg. No. SC-07).		
Cables connections in meter compartment between busbar and meter	 - 2 x 6mm² 1C PVC Cu, per 1ph or - 4 x 6mm² 1C PVC Cu per 3ph/30A or - 4 x 10 mm² 1C PVC Cu per 3ph/60A 		

Table	16:	Conne	ctions	with	MSC	box

In above both Multiple Connection arrangements (box for pole mounted and cabinet for wall mounted), interior busbar arrangement is either Copper or Aluminium alloy and are insulated. In case of Aluminium conductors, suitable bimetallic connections such as Tin (Sn) or Nickel (Ni) plating shall be incorporated to directly connect to Copper busbars.

Removable screws shall be used in fixing cables.

5.9.4 Details of three phase Metal Clad Busbar Chambers for wall mounted applications

Table 17 : Details of three phase Metal Clad Busbar Chambers for wall mounted applications

Busbar Rating (A)	Cu/PVC/XLPE Cable Size (mm ²) and No. of cables (Incoming)		
160	4x1C 70 mm ² or 3x70 mm ² +1x54.6 mm ² ABC		
160	4x1C 70 mm ² or 3x95 mm ² +1x70 mm ² ABC		
400	$\begin{array}{c} 250 \ \text{mm}^2 - 4x1C \ 95 \ \text{mm}^2 \\ 400 \ \text{mm}^2 - 4x1C \ 185 \ \text{mm}^2 \end{array}$		
1000	$\begin{array}{c} 630 \ \text{mm}^2 - 2x \ (4x1C \ 150) \\ 1000 \ \text{mm}^2 - 2x \ (4x1C \ 300)^{\text{onstruction}} \end{array}$		
1600	1250 mm ² - 3x (4x1C 240 mm ²) 1600 mm ² - 3x (4x1C 300 mm ²)		
	160 160 400 1000		

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Max. no. of 3ph Outgoing Service Connections (Outgoing) depends on the customer requirement and CEB technical limitations.

- 5.9.4.1 These Metal Clad Busbar Chambers are metal enclosed wall mounted type and accommodate four busbars for three phases & neutral and ratings are as shown in **Drawing no. SC-14**.
- 5.9.4.2 A rubber sealing is provided to each cable entry point to eliminate the damages to the cable insulation and to prevent insects to the chamber.
- 5.9.4.3 Fixing brackets are welded to the base and withstand the weight of the box and the cables connected to the busbars. Brackets have 12mm holes to insert 10mm anchor bolts which are provided with the box.
- 5.9.4.4 A common earthing point connecting all metallic parts except live parts is provided to connect the earthing wire to the common earthing point through a lug.
- 5.9.4.5 Incoming cable shall be drawn to the Busbar Chamber through the suitable/adjustable TPN MCCB and shall be close as much as possible to avoid tampering.
- 5.9.4.6 Busbar unit rating, Main incoming MCCB rating & it's setting, incoming conductor and no. of circuits shall be selected depending on the combination of service connections and total power demand with respect to the prevailing diversity factors.
- 5.9.4.7 Busbar Chamber shall be installed as close as practicable to the Electricity Meter/ Meters and the existing Electricity Meter/ Meters are to be shifted close to Busbar as practicable to discourage illicit tapping.

6 SAFETY OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

It is the responsibility of the supervising officer to ensure the safety of the personnel and the equipment as stipulated in the CEB Operational Safety Rules.

7 DRAWINGS

7.1 Drawings for Materials required for Overhead Service Connections

Description	Drawing No.
6m 50 kg Reinforced Concrete Pole	SC-01
6m 50 kg Spun Pre-stressed Concrete Pole	SC-02
6m 50kg Light Weight Reinforced Concrete Pole	SC-03
Galvanized Iron Tubular Service Connection Pole	SC-04
8.3m 100kg Reinforced Concrete Pole	SC-05
9m 115kg Reinforced Concrete Pole	SC-06
17	12 ML

Description	Drawing No.
10m 300kg Reinforced Concrete Pole	SC-07
Service Main Wire	SC-08
Line tap & Piercing Connector	SC-09
D-Bracket, Shackle Straps, GI Bolts & Nuts	SC-10
Service Bracket and Dead-end Clamp for Service Drop	SC-11

7.2 Different Arrangements for Service Connections

Description	Drawing No.
Single and Three Phase kWh Meter and Wiring Arrangement	SC-12
Single Phase Meter Box Arrangement	SC-13
Three Phase Meter Box Arrangement	SC-14
Typical Multiple Connection Busbar Chamber Arrangement	SC-15
Service Connection, Meter Box Fixing Arrangement at Perimeter Wall	SC-16
Tapping Point Arrangement and Material Kit (Single and Three Phase)	SC-17
Intermediate Tapping Point Arrangement and Material Kit (Single and Three Phase)	SC-18
Tapping Point Arrangement for Aerial Bundled Conductor (Single and Three Phase)	SC-19
Intermediate Service Pole Arrangement (Single and Three Phase)	SC-20

7.3 Minimum Safety Requirements

Description					Drawing No.			
	Clearance is (Within Cu		0		Three	Phase	Service	SC-21
	Clearance as (Outside C		-		Three	Phase	Service	SC-22

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Annex A - DRAWINGS















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BOLTS USED WITH POLE TYPES

POLE BOLT LENGTH (L)	TYPES OF POLES
200 mm	RC POLES
180 mm	SPUN POLES
120 mm	G.I. POLES



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