

<i>PEARL Reconditioning Standards</i>			
<i>LOW VOLTAGE DC CONTACTOR</i>	<i>PROPOSED STANDARD</i>		
	<i>Standard</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Date</i>
	<i>1830</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>11-2008</i>

This standard is designed to verify that a dc contactor is in a safe and reliable operating condition. In the event that the contactor is not in this condition then this standard will establish the reconditioning requirements. The term "reconditioning" is defined as "the process of returning electrical equipment to safe and reliable operating condition based upon the design of the original manufacturer at the time of manufacturing."

REFERENCES

The following references are use in this standard. Each of these references can be found in their respective listed locations.

Table References: Section 6000

Table 2: Insulation resistance and test values for electrical apparatus.

Table 11: Insulation resistance and test temperature conversion to 20°C values.

I TEST EQUIPMENT

The following test equipment is required to perform the testing requirements of this reconditioning standard:

1. Insulation Resistance Test Set (Megohmmeter) 500 Vdc minimum
2. DC Voltage Supply
3. Multimeter

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II RECONDITION EVALUATION

These steps are used to determine what will be required to recondition this product under this standard.

1 INSPECTION

1.1 General

- 1.1.1 Ensure that the nameplate data is legible.
- 1.1.2 Ensure that the third party listing service label is legible.
- 1.1.3 Inspect for missing screws
- 1.1.4 Check for stripped screws
- 1.1.5 Inspect case for cracks
- 1.1.6 Inspect for overheating of any wire
- 1.1.7 Inspect exterior for signs of;
 - 1.1.7.1 Contamination
 - 1.1.7.2 Overheating
 - 1.1.7.3 Corrosion
 - 1.1.7.4 Rust
- 1.1.8 Record results on an approved PEARL Evaluation Form.

1.2 Contacts

- 1.2.1 Inspect for excessive deterioration.
- 1.2.2 Inspect for cracks, chips and pitting.
- 1.2.3 If required by manufacturer check for;
 - 1.2.3.1 Gap
 - 1.2.3.2 Wipe
 - 1.2.3.3 Pressure
 - 1.2.3.4 Alignment.
- 1.2.4 Record results on an approved PEARL Evaluation Form.

1.7 Current Carrying Components

- 1.7.1 Inspect line and load connections for signs of overheating.
- 1.7.2 Inspect line and load connections for missing and defective parts.
- 1.7.3 Inspect hinge/pivot joints for signs of overheating.
- 1.7.4 Inspect hinge/pivot joints for missing and defective parts.
- 1.7.5 Record results on an approved PEARL Evaluation Form.

2 TESTING

2.1 Operation

- 2.1.1 Contact Transfer
 - 2.1.1.1 Using a multimeter verify each contact state as open
 - 2.1.1.2 Apply rated voltage to operating coil
 - 2.1.1.3 Using a multimeter verify the transfer of each contact
 - 2.1.1.4 Remove rated voltage
 - 2.1.1.5 Record results on an approved PEARL Evaluation Form.

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- 2.1.2 Minimum Operating Voltage
 - 2.1.2.1 Increase voltage to operating coil until relay operates
 - 2.1.2.2 Record as minimum operating voltage.
 - 2.1.2.3 Remove voltage
 - 2.1.2.4 Record results on an approved PEARL Evaluation Form.
 - 2.1.2.5 Compare manufacturer's minimum operating voltage to test voltage found in 2.1.2.2 above.

2.2 Insulation Resistance

- 2.2.1 Perform an insulation resistance test at test voltage specified by manufacturer or using a 500 volt dc megohmmeter.
 - 2.2.1.1 Relay De-energized
 - 2.2.1.1.1 Test across each contact
 - 2.2.1.1.2 Test between contacts on the line side
 - 2.2.1.1.3 Test between contacts on the load side
 - 2.2.1.2 Relay Energized
 - 2.2.1.2.1 Test between contacts
- 2.2.2 Record results on an approved PEARL Evaluation Form.
- 2.2.3 Compare test results to manufacturer's recommendations or a minimum of 1 megohm.

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III RECONDITIONING PROCEDURES

The following procedures are in a recommended order and are required to recondition this product. PEARL recognizes that, based on actual product design and as found condition, some of these procedures may not be applicable. The testing requirement must be completed before the product can be labeled as a PEARL reconditioned product.

1 RECONDITIONING

1.1 Exterior

1.1.1 Clean all exterior surface to remove any:

1.1.1.1 Contamination

1.1.1.2 Corrosion.

1.1.2 Record results on appropriate PEARL Inspection and Test Form

1.2. Missing or Defective Components, Parts and Hardware

1.2.1 Replace or repair any missing or defective components, parts and hardware found during the inspection phase of this standard.

1.2.2 Replace any defective contact or contact assembly

1.2.3 Record results on an approved PEARL Reconditioning Test Form

1.3 Contacts

1.3.1 If required by manufacturer adjust for proper;

1.3.1.1 Gap

1.3.1.2 Wipe

1.3.1.3 Pressure

1.3.1.4 Alignment.

1.3.1.5 Record results on an approved PEARL Reconditioning Test Form

2 TESTING

2.1 Operation

2.1.1 Contact Transfer

2.1.1.1 Using a multimeter verify each contact as open

2.1.1.2 Apply rated voltage to operating coil

2.1.1.3 Using a multimeter verify the transfer of each contact

2.1.1.4 Remove rated voltage

2.1.1.5 Record results on an approved PEARL Reconditioning Test Form

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2.1.2.1 Increase voltage to operating coil until relay operates

2.1.2.2 Record as minimum operating voltage.

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2.2.2 Record results on an approved PEARL Reconditioning Test Form

2.2.3 Compare test results to manufacturer's recommendations or a minimum of 1 megohm.

2.2.4 The test results must be within the guidelines recommended in order for the product to become a PEARL labeled product.

IV PEARL CERTIFICATION

This product has now been reconditioned under the PEARL Reconditioning Standard. The blue PEARL Reconditioning Quality Seal may now be placed on the device.