TEST BLOCKS AND PLUGS
TYPE PK-2

INTRODUCTION

The Type PK-2 test blocks and plugs are used to test switchboard mounted instruments, meters, and relays when in an electric circuit or by the use of a separate source of power. They are available in either four or six poles and are back connected. The contacts have line contact.

The Type PK-2 test blocks and plugs are capable of carrying 10 amperes at 250 volts continuously. They are not intended to interrupt any current, but will satisfactorily open the circuit of a potential coil and transfer the current coil of instruments, meters, or relays.

RECEIVING

The PK-2 test blocks and plugs are shipped in individual cartons. In the carton with the test block, unassembled in a separate container, are sufficient auxiliary contacts for any combination shown in Figs. 8 and 9. Also packed in the separate container are the nuts and washers for the studs; mounting screws, washers, and nuts for mounting the test block on steel panels; and jumpers and holding screws for the auxiliary contacts.

INSTALLATION

MOUNTING

The block can be mounted on the front surface of panels 1/8 inch to 2 inches thick or on the rear surface of a panel not more than 1/8 inch thick (see Fig. 1 and 2). With both methods of mounting, the cover and test plug are inserted from the front of the panel.

Before mounting on the panel, the auxiliary contacts should be assembled according to the combination required, as shown in Figs. 8 and 9.

Fig. 3 shows a composite assembly of all the auxiliary contacts. These are fastened as shown by the No. 4-48, 5/16 inch round-head screws which pass through the auxiliary contacts and are threaded into the inserts in the bottom of the block. Auxiliary contact (1, Fig. 3), is used to prevent circuit interruption when the cover is removed. This type

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To the extent required the products described herein meet applicable ANSI, IEEE and NEMA standards; but no such assurance is given with respect to local codes and ordinances because they vary greatly.
of internal connection is shown in Fig. 8. Without this connection, loss of revenue is possible due to interruption of the recording-instrument reading, if replacement of the cover is long delayed. Auxiliary contacts (2 and 4, Fig. 3) are used when the current coils are to be isolated while being tested and the current-transformer secondaries are shorted. This type of internal connections is shown in B, C, D, and E, Fig. 9. The jumper (3, Fig. 3) is employed to connect two of auxiliary contacts No. 2, or one of No. 2 and one of No. 4, Fig. 3. This type of connection is shown in C and D, Fig. 8.

Drill the panel, for the size of the test block and panel mounting required, in accordance with the dimensions shown in Fig. 5.

If the test block is mounted on an insulation panel, install it on the front of the panel and use the studs for holding it in place (see Fig. 7). If the test block is mounted on the front of steel panels, proceed in the same manner as for installation on insulation panels except, the separate mounting screws furnished for this purpose must be used. Be sure the insulation tubes are on the studs properly to provide insulation from the steel panel (see Fig. 1).

For semi-flush mounting on 1/8 inch steel panels, a different panel drilling is required, and the block is mounted on the back of the panel with the contacts extending through the panel. Use separate mounting screws furnished (see Fig. 2).

For ease of wiring and uniformity in testing, the blocks should be mounted so the long center line is horizontal on the panel and the auxiliary contacts and interlocking slots are down.

**CONNECTIOINS**

Each block is essentially a multi-pole jack. When the cover is removed, the device to be tested is isolated. When current transformers are used, the secondaries are short-circuited automatically by auxiliary contacts (see Figs. 7, 8, and 9).

As viewed from the back, the terminals of the contact block are numbered left to right. The upper row of terminals is odd numbered and the lower row is even numbered.

Schematic wiring diagrams are shown in Figs. 10 to 16 inclusive.

The purpose of the test plug is to facilitate routine check testing. They can be permanently connected to any testing equipment. Insertion of a plug in the test block isolates the auxiliary contacts, when used, and establishes test connections (see Fig. 7). Links or jumpers are provided (see Fig. 8) to facilitate making connections. The test blocks have guide rods and interlocking slots so the cover and plug must be inserted squarely, and in the same position everytime. Holes are provided in the guide rods and cover through which seal wires may be threaded to prevent unauthorized removal of the cover from the test blocks.
Fig. 5 (8918488C) Panel Drilling Dimensions of Four-pole and Six-pole Test Blocks

Fig. 6 (8918488C) Alternative Link for Four-pole and Six-pole Plugs
This illustration shows a schematic sectional view of the test-block cover and plug. (a) With cover in place and the plug contact in the cover making a connection through the block and removing the short circuit by the auxiliary contact. (b) With cover and plug removed, used for circuit in which there is no current transformer. (c) With the plug inserted and the plug contacts removing the short circuit by the auxiliary contact. (d) With cover and plug removed and with auxiliary contact short-circuiting the transformer secondary.

Fig. 7 (8918488D) Schematic Sectional Views of Test Blocks

Fig. 8 (8918488D) Internal Connections of Four-pole Block

Fig. 9 (8918488D) Internal Connections of Six-pole Block
OPERATION

Permanent connection of the plug to the test equipment is recommended. With the plugs properly connected, there is little chance of error in testing as it is a matter of removing the cover of the block and inserting the proper test plug.

RENEWAL PARTS

When ordering renewal parts, address the nearest General Electric Sales Office, specify the quantity required, give the catalog number or describe the required part, and give the complete data from the nameplate.