

**Specification Number:** 26 24 16.14

**Product Name:** NQ Lighting and Appliance Branch Circuit Panelboards: 240 Vac, 48 Vdc Maximum

## **SECTION 26 24 16.14**

# **NQ Lighting and Appliance Branch Circuit Panelboards: 240 Vac, 48 Vdc Maximum**

## **PART 1 GENERAL**

### **1.01 SECTION INCLUDES**

- A. Lighting and Appliance Panelboard - Furnish and install lighting and appliance panelboard(s) as specified herein and where shown on the associated [schedules] [drawings].

### **1.02 REFERENCES**

The panelboard(s) and circuit breaker(s) referenced herein are designed and manufactured according to the latest revision of the following specifications.

- A. NEMA PB 1 - Panelboards
- B. NEMA PB 1.1 - Instructions for Safe Installation, Operation and Maintenance of Panelboards Rated 600 Volts or Less.
- C. NEMA AB 1 - Molded Case Circuit Breakers
- D. UL 50 - Enclosures for Electrical Equipment
- E. UL 67 – Panelboards
- F. UL 489 - Molded-Case Circuit Breakers and Circuit Breaker Enclosures
- G. CSA Standard C22.2 No. 29-M1989 - Panelboards and Enclosed Panelboards
- H. CSA Standard C22.2 No. 5-M91 - Molded Case Circuit Breakers
- I. Federal Specification W-P-115C - Type I Class 1
- J. Federal Specification W-C-375B/Gen - Circuit Breakers, Molded Case, Branch Circuit And Service.
- K. NFPA 70 - National Electrical Code (NEC)
- L. ASTM - American Society of Testing Materials
- M. IBC – International Building Code – Seismic compliance requirements
- N. NFPA 5000 – NFPA Building Code – Seismic compliance requirements
- O. ASCE 7 – American Society of Civil Engineers, Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures – Seismic compliance requirements
- P. ICC ES AC156 – International Code Council Evaluation Services Acceptance Criteria for Seismic Qualification by Shake-Table Testing of Nonstructural Components and Systems – seismic testing protocol

### **1.03 SUBMITTAL AND RECORD DOCUMENTATION**

- A. Approval documents shall include drawings. Drawings shall contain overall panelboard dimensions, interior mounting dimensions, and wiring gutter dimensions. The location of the main, branches, and solid neutral shall be clearly shown. In addition, the drawing shall illustrate one line diagrams with applicable voltage systems.

### **1.04 QUALIFICATIONS**

- A. Company specializing in manufacturing of panelboard products with a minimum of fifty (50) years documented experience.
- B. Panelboards shall be manufactured in accordance with standards listed Article 1.02 - REFERENCES.

### **1.05 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING**

- A. Inspect and report concealed damage to carrier within their required time period.
- B. Handle carefully to avoid damage to panelboard internal components, enclosure, and finish.
- C. Store in a clean, dry environment. Maintain factory packaging and, if required, provide an additional heavy canvas or heavy plastic cover to protect enclosure(s) from dirt, water, construction debris, and traffic.

### **1.06 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE MATERIALS**

- A. Manufacturer shall provide installation instructions and NEMA Standards Publication PB 1.1 - Instructions for Safe Installation, Operation and Maintenance of Panelboards Rated 600 Volts or

Less.

**1.07 WARRANTY**

- A. Manufacturer shall warrant specified equipment free from defects in materials and workmanship for the lesser of one (1) year from the date of installation or eighteen (18) months from the date of purchase.

**1.08 RELATED WORK**

- A. Specification number 26 43 13.12 – Transient Voltage Surge Suppression

**PART 2 PRODUCTS**

**2.01 MANUFACTURERS**

- A. Shall be Square D Company NQ (Class 1640)
- B. Substitutions must be submitted in writing three weeks prior to original bid date with supporting documentation demonstrating that the alternate manufacturer meets all aspects of the specification herein.

**2.02 LIGHTING AND APPLIANCE PANELBOARD TYPE**

- A. NQ
  - 1. Interior
    - a. Shall be type NQ panelboard rated for 240 Vac/48 Vdc maximum. Continuous main current ratings, as indicated on associated [schedules] [drawings], not to exceed 600 amperes maximum.
    - b. Minimum short circuit current rating: [10,000] [22,000] [65,000] [100,000] [200,000] [\_\_\_\_\_ as indicated] in rms symmetrical amperes at 240 Vac.
    - c. Short circuit current rating: [5,000] at 48 Vdc.
    - d. Provide one (1) continuous bus bar per phase. Each bus bar shall have sequentially phased branch circuit connectors suitable for plug-on or bolt-on branch circuit breakers. The bussing shall be fully rated. Panelboard bus current ratings shall be determined by heat-rise tests conducted in accordance with UL 67. Bussing rated 100-400 amperes shall be plated [copper] [aluminum]. Bussing rated for 600 amperes shall be plated copper as standard construction. Bus bar plating shall run the entire length of the bus bar. Panelboards shall be suitable for use as Service Equipment when application requirements comply with UL 67 and NEC Articles 230-F and -G.
    - e. All current-carrying parts shall be insulated from ground and phase-to-phase by high dielectric strength thermoplastic.
    - f. A solidly bonded [aluminum] [copper] equipment ground bar shall be provided. [An additional [aluminum] [copper] isolated/insulated ground bar shall also be provided.]
    - g. Split solid neutral shall be plated and located in the mains compartment up to 225 amperes so all incoming neutral cable may be of the same length. [CSA and UL Listed panelboards with 200% rated solid neutral shall be plated copper for non-linear load applications. Panelboards shall be marked for non-linear load applications].
    - h. Interior trim shall be of dead-front construction to shield user from energized parts. Dead-front trim shall have filler plates covering unused mounting spaces.
    - i. Nameplates shall contain system information and catalog number or factory order number. Interior wiring diagram, neutral wiring diagram, CSA and UL Listed label and short circuit current rating shall be displayed on the interior or in a booklet format.
    - j. Interiors shall be field convertible for top or bottom incoming feed. Main circuit breakers in 100A interiors shall be [horizontally] [vertically] mounted. Main circuit breakers over 100A shall be vertically mounted. Sub-feed circuit breakers shall be vertically mounted. Main lug interiors up to 400 amperes shall be field convertible to main breaker. Interior leveling provisions shall be provided for flush mounted applications.
    - k. Interior phase bus shall be pre-drilled to accommodate field installable options (NQ only), i.e., Sub-Feed Lugs, Sub-Feed Breakers, Thru-Feed Lugs.

**Main Circuit Breaker**

- a. Shall be Square D type circuit breakers.
- b. Main circuit breakers shall have an overcenter, trip-free, toggle mechanism which will provide quick-make, quick-break contact action. Circuit breakers shall have a permanent

- trip unit with thermal and magnetic trip elements in each pole. Each thermal element shall be true rms sensing and be factory calibrated to operate in a 40° C ambient environment. Thermal elements shall be ambient compensating above 40° C.
- c. Two- and three-pole circuit breakers shall have common tripping of all poles. Circuit breaker frame sizes above 100 amperes shall have a single magnetic trip adjustment located on the front of the circuit breaker that allows the user to simultaneously select the desired trip level of all poles. Circuit breakers shall have a push-to-trip button for maintenance and testing purposes.
  - d. Breaker handle and faceplate shall indicate rated ampacity. Standard construction circuit breakers shall be UL Listed for reverse connection without restrictive line or load markings.
  - e. Circuit breaker escutcheon shall have international I/O markings, in addition to standard ON/OFF markings. Circuit breaker handle accessories shall provide provisions for locking handle in the ON or OFF position.
  - f. Lugs shall be CSA and UL Listed to accept solid or stranded [copper and aluminum conductors] [copper conductors only]. Lugs shall be suitable for [75° C rated wire] [90° C rated wire, sized according to the 75° C temperature rating per NEC Table 310-16]. Lug body shall be bolted in place; snap-in designs are not acceptable.
  - g. The circuit breakers shall be CSA and UL Listed for use with the following accessories: Shunt Trip, Under Voltage Trip, Ground Fault Shunt Trip, Auxiliary Switch, Alarm Switch, Mechanical Lug Kits, and Compression Lug Kits.
3. Branch Circuit Breakers
- a. Shall be Square D type circuit breakers. Circuit breakers shall be CSA and UL Listed with ampere ratings, interrupting ratings, and number of poles as indicated on the associated [schedules] [drawings].
  - b. Molded case branch circuit breakers shall have [bolt-on] [plug-on] type bus connectors.
  - c. Circuit breakers shall have an overcenter toggle mechanism which will provide quick-make, quick-break contact action. Circuit breakers shall have thermal and magnetic trip elements in each pole. Two- and three-pole circuit breakers shall have common tripping of all poles.
  - d. There shall be two forms of visible trip indication. The breaker handle shall reside in a position between ON and OFF. In addition, there shall be a red VISI-TRIP® indicator appearing in the clear window of the circuit breaker housing.
  - e. The exposed faceplates of all branch circuit breakers shall be flush with one another.
  - f. Lugs shall be UL Listed to accept solid or stranded [copper and aluminum conductors] [copper conductors only]. Lugs shall be suitable for [75° C rated wire] [90° C rated wire, sized according to the 75° C temperature rating per NEC Table 310-16]. [Branch circuit breakers rated 30 amperes and below shall be CSA and UL Listed to accept 60° C rated wire].
  - g. Breakers shall be CSA and UL Listed for use with the following factory installed accessories: Shunt Trip, Auxiliary Switch, and Alarm Switch.
4. Enclosures
- a. Type 1 Boxes
    - 1) Boxes shall be hot zinc dipped galvanized steel constructed in accordance with UL 50 requirements. Unpainted galvanized steel is not acceptable.
    - 2) Boxes shall have removable endwalls with knockouts located on one end. Boxes shall have welded interior mounting studs. Interior mounting brackets are not required.
    - 3) Box width shall be [26" wide maximum] [20" wide maximum] [8.625" wide – NQ or NQOB column width only].
  - b. Type 1 Fronts
    - 1) Front shall meet strength and rigidity requirements per UL 50 standards. Front shall have ANSI 49 gray enamel electrodeposited over cleaned phosphatized steel.
    - 2) Fronts shall be [1-piece with door] [hinged 1-piece with door]. Mounting shall be [flush] [surface] as indicated on associated [schedules] [drawings].
    - 3) Panelboards shall have MONO-FLAT fronts with concealed door hinges and

mounted with trim screws. Front shall not be removable with the door locked. Doors on front shall have rounded corners and edges shall be free of burrs.

- 4) Front shall have cylindrical tumbler type lock with catch and spring-loaded stainless steel door pull. All lock assemblies shall be keyed alike. One (1) key shall be provided with each lock. A clear plastic directory cardholder shall be mounted on the inside of door.
- c. Type 3R, 5, and 12
- 1) Enclosures shall be constructed in accordance with UL 50 requirements. Enclosures shall be painted with ANSI 49 gray enamel electrodeposited over cleaned phosphatized steel.
  - 2) All doors shall be gasketed and equipped with a tumbler type vault lock and two (2) additional quarter turn fasteners on enclosures 59 inches or more in height. All lock assemblies shall be keyed alike. One (1) key shall be provided with each lock. A clear plastic directory cardholder shall be mounted on the inside of door.
  - 3) Maximum enclosure dimensions shall not exceed 21" wide and 6.5" deep.

## **PART 3 EXECUTION**

### **3.01 INSTALLATION**

- A. Install panelboards in accordance with manufacturer's written instructions, NEMA PB 1.1 and NEC standards.

### **3.02 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL**

- A. Inspect complete installation for physical damage, proper alignment, anchorage, and grounding.
- B. Measure steady state load currents at each panelboard feeder; rearrange circuits in the panelboard to balance the phase loads within 20% of each other. Maintain proper phasing for multi-wire branch circuits.
- C. Check tightness of bolted connections and circuit breaker connections using calibrated torque wrench or torque screwdriver per manufacturer's written specifications.

END OF SECTION