Protection of elevator power network
Earth leakage protection B-SI type

"Elevators are essential in our building. We expect they operate without interruption".

Customer story
Fabio is a building facility manager. His mission is to provide good experience for people living and visiting its building. Elevators are supposed to work 24/7.
He had to face nuisance tripping and this was very negative for building image. Fabio knows that International standards such as IEC 62477-1, require a RCCB 300 mA B type protection in elevator environment.
Moreover such electrical protection needs to be installed in coordination with the other existing electrical devices for better discrimination in the system.

Customer benefits
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Proposed solution
**RCCB Acti9 iID B-SI type** is designed to:
- **Protect people** against multifrequency earth leakage current (including pure DC). Such currents can be generated by speed drive technology embedded into elevators and they can cause fibrillation and electrocution.
- **Minimize nuisance tripping** thanks to Super Immunized (SI) technology tested on long distances of cables.
- **Be installed in coordination** with other upstream and parallel RCD (refer to Schneider Electric Residual Protection Device guide for coordination tables).
- **Simplify** operation thanks to Acti9 VisiSafe and VisiTrip.
- **Adapt** to your needs thanks to full range of accessories and auxiliaries.
- **Monitor and control** the electrical panel with PowerTag and Smartlink auxiliaries.

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The solution dedicated to elevators

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Solution diagram for TT system

400 V - 50 Hz

Building main power distribution board

To elevator's accessories

30 m

To elevator's traction machine

30 m

Elevator electrical cabinet

Other loads

Lighting

Motor 7.5 kW

ATV930

Note: during design phase, it’s essential to define protections to avoid upstream and parallel protection disablement (blinding of upstream and parallel protection due to direct current signal presence).

In example above, 1, 2 Residual Current Devices have been defined accordingly and the same should apply to any upstream RCD.

In this application the use of protection with 300 mA sensitivity is defined because access to the elevator panel is only available to qualified electrical maintenance personnel.

For more information about sensitivity choice, selectivity, coordination of protections and continuity of service, refer to earth leakage protection guide reference CA908066E and associated coordination tables.

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