LA/LH Main Circuit Breaker and Adapter Kit
Installation onto an NQ Panelboard
Class 1640
Retain for future use.

Introduction

This bulletin contains instructions for installing a Square D® brand LA/LH main circuit breaker (400 A max.) and adapter kit onto a Square D brand NQ panelboard manufactured by Schneider Electric.

Safety Precautions

**DANGER**

HAZARD OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, EXPLOSION, OR ARC FLASH

- Apply appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and follow safe electrical work practices. See NFPA 70E.
- This equipment must only be installed and serviced by qualified electrical personnel.
- Turn off all power supplying this equipment before working on or inside equipment.
- Always use a properly rated voltage sensing device to confirm power is off.
- Replace all devices, doors, and covers before turning on power to this equipment.

Failure to follow these instructions will result in death or serious injury.

Kit Contents

NQMB4LA

A. Main circuit breaker deadfront cover (1)
B. Main circuit breaker mounting pan (1)
C. Deadfront support brackets (2)
D. “MAIN” circuit breaker label (1)
E. 1/4-20 x 7/8-in. tapping screws (6)
F. 10-32 x 7/16-in. tapping screws (2)
G. 10-32 x 5/16-in. tapping screws (6)
H. 3/8-16 x 3/4-in. screws (3)
I. 12-24 x 3 1/4-in. tapping screws (4)
J. 3/8 washers (3)
K. Main circuit breaker connectors (3)
L. T40 Torx drive bit with 1/4-in. hex shank (1)

NOTE: Kit contents not shown to scale.

Tools Needed

- Multifunctional screwdriver
- Flat-blade screwdriver
- #2 Square-head Robertson driver
- 3/8-in. Allen driver
- Torque wrench with 5/32-in. Allen driver
- Torque wrench with 9/16-in. Hex socket
Installing the Kit

1. Turn off all power supplying this equipment before working inside the panelboard; follow all lockout/tagout procedures.

   1. Remove the deadfront assembly. Retain the four screws for reuse.

   2. Remove the line lugs from the panel bus. Discard the lugs and screws.

   3. Attach the main circuit breaker mounting pan to the main lug end of the panelboard using four 10-32 x 5/16-in. tapping screws included in the kit.
4 Attach the two deadfront support brackets to the alignment slots on the main circuit breaker mounting pan (with the top of the brackets pointing to the panelboard) using the remaining two 10-32 x 5/16-in. tapping screws included in the kit.

5 Attach the hard bus circuit breaker connectors loosely to the panel bus using the six 1/4-20 x 7/8-in. tapping screws included in the kit. The “X” mark on the hard bus connector identifies the top surface. Do not tighten the screws until step 9.

**NOTE:** For a single-phase panelboard, the B-phase connector is not required.

6 Remove the lugs from the end of the circuit breaker that will be connected to the panel. To do so, remove the lug cover screws, then, remove the lug cover.

With a 3/8-in. Allen driver, remove the wire binding screw from the breaker lugs. To remove the lugs, remove the lug mounting screws using the included T40 Torx bit in a multifunctional screwdriver. Discard the lugs, lug mounting screws, and wire binding screws.
7 **NOTE:** Ensure that the breaker will be located so that the “ON” end is always toward the top of the panelboard.

Slide the circuit breaker onto the main breaker connectors and attach the connectors using the three 3/8-16 x 3/4-in. screws and three 3/8 washers included in the kit. Do not tighten the bolts until step 9.

**2- or 3-Pole Circuit Breaker**

**NOTE:** The circuit breaker is shown in the “OFF” position.

**NOTE:** Example shown is for bottom-feed applications.

8 **NOTE:** Discard the screws supplied with the breaker.

Install the main circuit breaker on the mounting pan using the four 12-24 x 3 1/4-in. tapping screws included in the kit.
**NOTE:** Do not overtighten the screws. Tighten the screws from step 5 to 60–65 lb-in (6.8–7.3 N•m) and the screws from step 7 to 250–275 lb-in (28.2–31.0 N•m).

10 Reinstall the lug cover onto the circuit breaker using the same screws removed in step 6.

11 Remove the existing main lug cover (see step 1) and discard, but retain the two screws. Mount the main circuit breaker deadfront cover included in the kit using the same screws.
12 Remount the deadfront assembly using the four screws retained from step 1 and the two 10-32 x 7/16-in. tapping screws provided in the kit.

13 Peel off the backing of the “MAIN” circuit breaker label. Apply it to the cover near the circuit breaker handle.

For technical support on the installation of this kit, contact the Square D / Schneider Electric Customer Information Center at 1-888-SquareD (1-888-778-2733).
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