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# Manual

# **Users Guide**

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# Fault Indicators

Service Information

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## S.T.A.R.™ Type CR Faulted Circuit Indicator Installation Instructions

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CAUTION: The Cooper Power Systems
S.T.A.R.™ Type CR Faulted Circuit Indicator is designed to be operated in accordance with normal safe operating procedures. These instructions are not intended to supersede or replace existing safety and operating procedures. Read all instructions before installing the faulted circuit indicator.

Faulted circuit indicators should be installed and serviced only by personnel familiar with good safety practice and the handling of high-voltage electrical equipment. Improper operation, handling, or maintenance can result in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

The Cooper Power Systems S.T.A.R.™ Type CR (Current Reset) Faulted Circuit Indicator (FCI) is cable mounted and indicates the passage of fault current by showing a "fault" flag in the window of the display. When 2.4 A of load current returns to the cable, the FCI will automatically reset.

The FCI is weatherproof, submersible and meets or exceeds ANSI®/IEEE Standard 495-1986™ "Guide for Testing Faulted Circuit Indicators". The flag will not change position as a result of mechanical shock or vibration.

The CR Faulted Circuit Indicator consists of an integral clamp-on sensing unit with a patented clamping mechanism that allows one unit to be used on cable sizes from 0.25° to 2.0°. The FCI is available with either a low (LO) or high (HI) trip rating that is factory preset. The LO trip rating will trip at approximately 400 A, while the HI trip rating will trip at approximately 800 A.

# INSTALLATION PROCEDURES Primary Cable Preparation

Proper primary cable preparation is necessary for the Current Reset faulted circuit indicator to work reliably on underground distribution circuits. The FCI can be used on tape shield or drain wire cable. If the cable does not provide a return path for the fault current, the FCI can be installed directly over the cable. If the cable shield provides a return path for the fault current, the FCI will not reliably

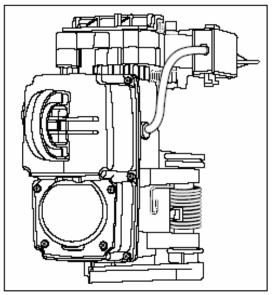


Figure 1. S.T.A.R. CR Faulted Circuit Indicator.

detect a fault and will require the use of a tape shield or drain wire adapter. When used, the adapter must be installed approximately 3.5" below the elbow to allow space for mounting the FCI on the cable.

One of the following four methods is preferred for installation on concentric neutral primary cable.

#### METHOD 1 (REFER TO FIGURE 2-A)

- Attach one or two strands of the concentric neutral wrapped around the cable to the tie-off tab on the elbow.
- Terminate all of the remaining neutral wires approximately 6" below the elbow.
- Pull the neutral wires straight up and terminate them again just below the elbow. The wires should then be bent back down the cable which is commonly referred to as "double back".
- Terminate the ground wires approximately 6° below the elbow.

NOTE: The FCI is installed over the "double back" neutral wires to cancel the effect of current in the neutral. The exact trip value is dependent on the overall diameter of the "double back" neutral wires.



# SAFETY FOR LIFE



Cooper Power Systems products meet or exceed all applicable industry standards relating to product safety. We actively promote safe practices in the use and maintenance of our products through our service literature, instructional training programs, and the continuous efforts of all Cooper Power Systems employees involved in product design, manufacture, marketing and service.

We strongly urge that you always follow all locally approved safety procedures and safety instructions when working around high-voltage lines and equipment and support our "Safety For Life" mission.

#### SAFETY INFORMATION

The instructions in this manual are not intended as a substitute for proper training or adequate experience in the safe operation of the equipment described. Only competent technicians, who are familiar with this equipment should install, operate and service it. A competent technician has these qualifications:

- Is thoroughly familiar with these instructions.
- Is trained in industry-accepted high- and low-voltage safe operating practices and procedures.
- Is trained and authorized to energize, de-energize, clear, and ground power distribution equipment.
- Is trained in the care and use of protective equipment such as flash clothing, safety glasses, face shield, hard hat, rubber gloves, hotstick, etc.

Following is important safety information. For safe installation and operation of this equipment, be sure to read and understand all cautions and warnings.

#### Hazard Statement Definitions

This manual may contain four types of hazard statements:



DANGER: Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



WARNING: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result In death or serious injury.



CAUTION: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury

CAUTION: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in equipment damage only.

#### Safety Instructions

Following are general caution and warning statements that apply to this equipment. Additional statements, related to specific tasks and procedures, are located throughout the manual.

DANGER: Hazardous voltage. Contact with high voltage will cause death or severe personal injury. Follow all locally approved safety procedures when working around high- and lowvoltage lines and equipment.

WARNING: Before installing, operating, maintaining, or testing this equipment, carefully read and understand the contents of this manual. Improper operation, handling or maintenance can result in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.

WARNING: This equipment is not intended to protect human life. Follow all locally approved procedures and safety practices when installing or operating this equipment. Failure to comply may result in death, severe personal injury and equipment damage.

WARNING: Power distribution equipment must be selected for the intended application. It must be installed and serviced by competent personnel who have been trained and understand proper safety procedures. These instructions are written for such personnel and are not a substitute for adequate training and experience in safety procedures. Failure to properly select, install or maintain this equipment can result in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.

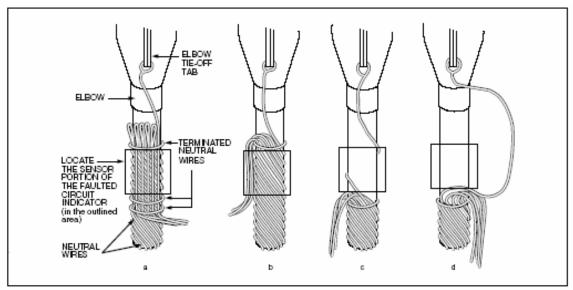


Figure 2. Recommended methods of concentric neutral primary cable preparation.

#### METHOD 2 (REFER TO FIGURE 2-B)

- Attach one or two strands of the concentric neutral wrapped around the cable to the tie-off tab on the elbow.
- Terminate all of the remaining neutral wires just below the elbow. The balance of the neutral wires should be gathered together and "double backed" down the cable and grounded.
- NOTE: The FCI is installed over the "double back" neutral wires to cancel the effect of current in the neutral. The exact trip value is dependent on the overall diameter of the "double back" neutral wires.

#### METHOD 3 (REFER TO FIGURE 2-C)

- Attach one or two strands of the concentric neutral wrapped around the cable to the tie-off tab on the elbow.
- Terminate and ground all of the remaining neutral wires approximately 6" below the elbow.

#### METHOD 4 (REFER TO FIGURE 2-D)

 Arch one or two strands of the concentric neutral wrapped around the cable and attach it to the tie-off tab on the elbow. The arch should be large enough to go around the outside FCI when the FCI is installed.

Some installations of improper preparation of the primary cable will result in an inoperable FCI (see Figure 3a and 3b). The magnetic field, due to current in the center conductor, will be cancelled by the current in the concentric neutral wires. DO NOT PREPARE THE PRIMARY CABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE METHODS SHOWN IN FIGURE 3!

#### Installation of the FCI

 Arm the FCI clamping mechanism by carefully grasping both clamping arms, pulling them apart until the trigger mechanism drops into place.
 Stops have been built into the clamping arms such that they can only be opened to the point where the trigger will latch.

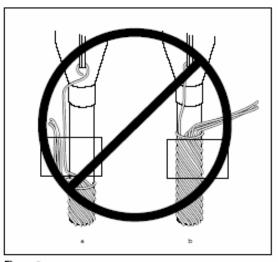


Figure 3. Incorrect methods of concentric neutral primary cable preparation.

- For applications where the cable diameter is less than 1\*, leave the clamp pads attached to the clamp arms. On installations where the cable diameter exceeds 1\*, remove the pads that are attached to each clamping arm. Removing the pads will allow the clamping mechanism to properly attach to larger diameter cables. (See Figure 5.)
- Attach the fault indicator to a shotgun clamp stick using the FCI pulling eye.
- 4a. Apply a thin layer of silicon lubricant to the inside of the closed core CT. Push the fault indicator onto the cable below the elbow at a location shown in Figure 2 while holding the shot gun stick horizontal. The triggering
- mechanism will release the clamping arms and securely attach the device to the cable. Note that only the closed core CT need be applied over the region of the cable where the concentric neutral has been removed or double-backed (see Figure 4).
- 4b. For overhead applications, simply push the FCI onto the desired cable. The triggering mechanism will release the clamping arms and securely attach the device to the cable.
- 5. Remove the shotgun stick.
- NOTE: On 200 A loadbreak elbows, the preferred installation is demonstrated in Figure 4A, where the closed core CT is located directly below the test point.

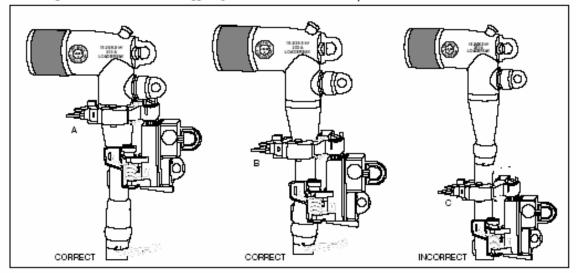


Figure 4.

Proper installation of CR FCI on prepared conductor is shown in Figures A and B. Figure C shows the incorrect placement for installation.

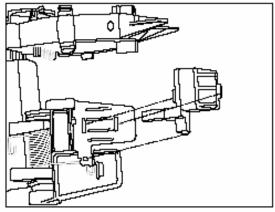


Figure 5. Remove clamp pads attached to each clamping arm on a mechanism where cable diameter exceeds 1°.

# Removing the FCI

- Insert the hook end from the shotgun stick into the pulling eye of the FCI and lock the shotgun stick tight against the FCI body.
- Pull straight back on the hotstick, making sure that the center of the cable is centered on the parting line of the current transformer. This will assist the current transformer in opening, allowing the cable to exit. For quicker/simpler removal of the FCI, it can be removed with hot-line gloves.
- If the clamp pads are to be used with the FCI upon reinstallation, ensure that the pads are properly attached to the clamp arms.

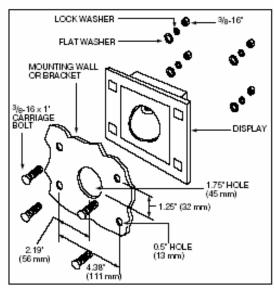


Figure 6. Remote FISHEYE™ display installation diagram.

# Installation Instructions for Remote FISHEYE™ Display

WARNING: The Cooper Power Systems S.T.A.R. Type CR Faulted Circuit Indicator with remote display and/or auxiliary contact outputs are designed for installation at GROUND POTENTIAL ONLY. Remote indicators and auxiliary contacts are not insulated for high voltage application. If high voltage is applied across the fault indicator, flashover may occur, possibly resulting in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.

Cooper Power Systems S.T.A.R. Current Reset FCIs are available with remote FISHEYE display as an option. The FISHEYE display provides a means to monitor the status of the FCI remotely.

- Punch or drill four 0.5" (13 mm) and one 1.75" (45 mm) holes as shown in Figure 3. Hole rims may need to be treated for corrosion resistance. Consult enclosure manufacturer for recommendation.
- Position the FISHEYE display against the back side of the enclosure aligning the four 0.5" (13 mm) holes with the corresponding holes on the FISHEYE display. The indicator ball of the FISHEYE display should protrude thought the 1.75" (45 mm) hole and be visible from the outside of the enclosure.
- Install the four <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-16 UNC carriage bolts through the four 0.5° holes with the heads on the outside of the enclosure and the bolts extending through the four holes on the FISHEYE display.
- Install the four <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" flat washers, lock washers, and hex nuts onto the carriage bolts and hand tighten.

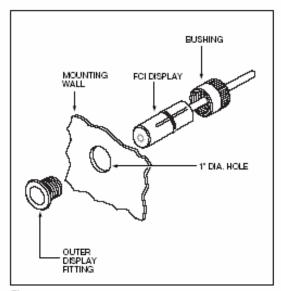


Figure 7. Small remote display installation diagram.

 Adjust the display to the desired alignment and tighten the hex nuts to flatten the lock washers. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN THE HEX NUTS.

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- Drill one 1\* diameter hole as shown in Figure 7.
  Hole rim may need to be treated for corrosion resistance. Consult enclosure manufacturer for recommendation.
- Insert the outer fitting through the 1° diameter hole with the threads extending through the hole in the enclosure.
- Insert the end of the remote display cable into the outer display fitting.
- Thread the bushing at the end of the remote display cable, onto the outer fitting.
- Adjust the display to the desired alignment and tighten the bushing to pull the outer fitting against the front of the enclosure. Tighten sufficiently to prevent removal of the outer fitting from outside the cabinet, but do not overlighten the fittings.

## **FlexNet Activation Instructions:**

- Power up the FlexNet 900 Tool unit by pressing the power button.
- The GPS LINK OK led will begin flashing RED at a 1Hz rate.
- Carry the unit outside in an area free from overhead obstructions so that the unit can acquire a GPS position fix. (This takes approximately 1~2 minutes)
- Once the unit has acquired a current GPS fix, the GPS LINK OK led will light solid green. (The light may blink green if the tool temporarily loses a GPS position fix if the tool is brought indoors or there is significant overhead obstructions)
- Once a GPS fix has been acquired, place the tool against the side of the GCVTF unit as shown in the picture above. The CT should be facing down, and the tool should be placed on the right side of the unit with the "COMMAND METER" text pointing toward the center of the Visual Line Status Indicator (VLI).
- Press the INSTALL METER button to begin the activation sequence.
- The sequence is complete when the METER INSTALL OK light illuminates GREEN indicating a successful install. (This process should take approximately 30 seconds)

# **APPENDIX A: REGULATORY INFORMATION:**

## COMPLIANCE INFORMATION:

#### FCC:

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- · Reorient of relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet or circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

WARNING: Changes or modifications to this device not expressly approved by Sensus could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

## Industry Canada:

This Class B digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference Causing Equipment Regulations. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and

(2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Cet appareillage numérique de la classe B répond à toutes les exigences de l'interférence canadienne causant des règlements d'équipement. L'opération est sujette aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) ce dispositif peut ne pas causer l'interférence nocive, et (2) ce dispositif doit accepter n'importe quelle interférence reçue, y compris l'interférence qui peut causer l'opération peu désirée.

# RF Exposure:

In accordance with FCC requirements of human exposure to radiofrequency fields, the radiating element shall be installed such that a minimum separation distance of 20cm is maintained.