ArcShield™ Arc Resistant Medium Voltage Motor Control Centers
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Providing you the widest product offering of arc resistant products…

- 200, 400, 600 and 800*A Frames
- Full Voltage Non-Reversing Controllers
- Full Voltage Reversing Controllers
- Multi-Speed Controllers
- Reversing Controllers
- Solid State Reduced Voltage Controllers
- 400A Feeder Load Break Switch
- Incoming Cabling Sections
- Power Factor Correction Capacitor Enclosures
- Variable Frequency MV Drives
Arc Flash Statistics – United States

- Five (5) to ten (10) arc flash explosions occur in electrical equipment every day
- Each year more than 2,000 people are treated in burn centers with severe arc flash injuries
  - This number doesn’t include cases in which the victim is sent to an ordinary hospital or clinic for medical treatment.
  - Instead, these statistics include incidents involving injuries so severe the victims require treatment from a special burn unit
Arc Flash

- An arc flash hazard is defined in NFPA 70E as a “dangerous condition associated with the release of energy caused by an electric arc.”
- An arc flash hazard analysis must be done before a person is permitted to approach any exposed electrical part that has not been placed in an electrically safe work condition, such as equipment de-energized by lockout and tag out. (NFPA-70E, Z-462)
- The equipment owner has responsibility of performing or acquiring the resources to perform the analysis.
- This analysis will define;
  - The system maximum short circuit current
  - The arc incident energy level, adjacent to particular electrical equipment
  - Definite the level of personal protective equipment when working on the equipment
  - Arc resistant equipment reduces the PPE to its lowest level!!! (ref- NFPA70E, Z462)
Arc Resistant

- **Arc Resistant** is a term related to equipment designed for controlling arc flash exposure.
- It is defined by the level to which an arc flash is:
  - Extinguished or Controlled
  - Channeled away from personnel
  - Prevented from propagating
- Specific testing is done to meet the requirements of each level of “arc resistant accessibility,” based on the appropriate codes and standards.
- Electrical equipment manufacturer is responsible to perform testing.
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ArcShield: Standard Safety Features

- ArcShield units include the inherent safety features of standard MV controllers:
  - Visual unit isolation via standard power cell viewing window
  - Heavy duty mechanical interlocking
  - Grounded isolation switch blades when open
  - Dead Front power cell when door is open
ArcShield™: Standard Safety Features

- **Isolated Low Voltage Compartment**
  - Test and troubleshooting power cell with no exposure to medium voltage
  - Easy access to all low voltage components

- **Isolated Power Cell Compartment(s)**
  - Isolated from other compartments for better fault containment
  - Easy access for cable installation and stress cones

- **Horizontal Power Bus**
  - Located in the center rear of the enclosure
  - Access from front or rear
  - Tin or optional silver plated copper
  - 1200A, 2000A, 3000A
ArcShield: Standard Safety Features

- ArcShield units also include these safety features of standard MV controllers:
  - Fixed vacuum contactor for highest MTBF
  - Off-line capabilities for testing
  - Isolated compartments
    - LV, Power Cell, Bus
  - Remote monitoring & diagnostics using IntelliCENTER software
ArcShield™ Overview

- ArcShield™, safety by design:
  - Heavy gauge steel for all doors as well as side, roof, and back sheets (12 ga)
  - Robust door hinges & multi-point latches
  - Reinforced structure (brackets & plates)
  - Arc venting system on the unit roof
  - No impact on load and line cable entry
  - Reinforced low voltage panel to shield personnel if arc flash occurs with the low voltage door open
ArcShield™ Overview

- ArcShield™ enclosure also provides NEMA Type 12 protection, including plenum components
- Additional standard and custom plenum components are available
  - Standard 18”, 36” lengths available
  - 90 and 45º elbows
  - Environmental end seals
  - Custom plenum pieces available on request (contact factory)
- Alternative arc chimney also available
  - Directs arc energy into the open area above the structures
ArcShield Overview

- Special arc vent mounted on the structure’s top
  - Special laser etched pressure plate designed to open under very specific internal arc pressures
- Offset to rear of structure (allows use of top/front mounted LV wire ways)
- Structures can be flush rear mounted
- Front accessible
- Top or bottom load and line cable entry/exit supported
ArcShield Overview

- ArcShield meets **Type 2B Accessibility**,  
  - Personnel are shielded at the front, rear and sides of enclosure  
  - Arc Protection is maintained even with LV door open  
  - Plenum or chimney arc discharge system is required, directs arc flash energy away from personnel

- ArcShield™ underwent rigorous testing to IEEE Std. C37.20.7- variable options available:  
  - 40 kA (@ 7.2 kV max.), for ½ second (with **insulated** or **uninsulated** power bus)  
    - Minimum total MCC width 26”  
  - 50 kA (@ 7.2 kV max.), for ½ second (with **uninsulated** power bus only)  
    - Minimum total MCC width 72”
Same Core Safety Features as Non-Arc Resistant Structures

- Non-load break isolation switch
  - Fully interlocked with MV door and vacuum contactor
- Over current protection
  - Clip-on or Bolt-on power fuses
- Vacuum contactor
  - 400 or 800 Amp
- Bar or donut current transformers
- Control power transformer with primary and secondary fusing
- Optional potential transformers for metering
- Generous low voltage control panel
Full Access to Rear Bus

- Three removable rear cover plates for superior levels of access
- Removable side access plates on each side provide full side access to power bus
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ArcShield, 26” One-High Overview

- Reinforced structure (stiffener brackets & plates)

- Power Cell (showing left-hand side sheet)

Rear View
ArcShield, 26” One-High Overview

- Power cell door is designed to contain arc flash and the pressures associated
- Robust door hinges (6)
- Door secured with bolts and internal latches (interlocked with isolation switch)
- Multi-point door latch
- Reinforced (brackets)
- Sealed with gasket
ArcShield, 26” One-High Overview

- Standard power cell layout is the same for ArcShield

ArcShield Power Cell
(Rear panel removed for clarity)
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- Reinforced low voltage panel shields personnel if arc flash occurs with the LV door open
- Two-point latch system
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ArcShield, 36” Two-High Overview

- Two isolated and independent power cells
- Non-load break isolation switch in each power cell
- Over current protection
  - Clip-on or Bolt-on power fuses
- 400A Vacuum contactor
- Donut or optional bar current transformers
- Control power transformer with primary and secondary fusing
- Optional potential transformers for metering
- Superior load cable access
**ArcShield™, 36” Two-High Overview**

- Reinforced structure (stiffener brackets & plates)

**Two-High Power Cell**

- Same layout as standard units
- LV panel and door are integrated into the power cell door
ArcShield, Plenum Discharge
Top & Bottom Cable Entry/Exit Support

Plenum System

- Channel arc discharge to safe area above MCC
- Top or bottom exit/entry supported
- Many competitors cannot support top exit cables
ArcShield
Plenum Options/Extras

Optional Extras for Plenum Construction

- 18”, 26” and 36” long extensions
- Universal 90 degree elbow
- External environmental seal
- Bug/Rodent Screen
- Custom designs available
ArcShield, Chimney Discharge
Top & Bottom Cable Entry/Exit Support

Chimney System
- Channel arc discharge to safe area above MCC
- Requires clear space above
- Top or bottom exit/entry supported
- Many competitors cannot support top exit cables
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ArcShield - Plenum Discharge
Common Unit Dimensions

Most of our MV arc resistant controllers have the same footprint as our non-arc resistant designs!!

No rear access required

Side View

Plenum Discharge

Plenum

37.5 in. [953 mm]

46 in. [1168 mm]

128.5 in. [3264 mm]

91 in. [2315 mm]

36 in. [914 mm]
ArcShield - Chimney Discharge (optional)
Common Unit Dimensions

Overhead obstructions

- 197.4 in. [5015 mm]
- 67 in. [1700 mm] Required clear space
- 39.4 in. [1000 mm]
- 130.5 in. [3315 mm]
- 91 in. [2315 mm]
- 36 in. [914 mm]

Optional Chimney
LV Wire way

Requires clear space above the exit point
ArcShield Arc Resistant MV Motor Controls

Arc Resistant solutions for real world problems…