A guide for MOCOPA Operators on the types of Distribution Business equipment that may be encountered as part of their work

Cut Out Glossary

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In the event that there is any conflict or contradiction between this Guide, and governing industry documents referenced in this Guide, the terms of the referenced documents will prevail. These include inter alia the Meter Operation Code of Practice Agreement (MOCOPA), the MRA Data Transfer Catalogue, and the MOCOPA Guideline for Service Termination Asset Reporting.

2. Introduction

2.1 What is the aim of this Guide and who is it for?

This Guide is designed to inform Meter Operators and Operatives of the types of Distribution Business equipment that may be encountered during their activities including any additional information that may be available. The

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Guide is there to enable Meter Operators and Operatives to make informed risk assessments whilst conducting their works and produce safe systems of work. This Guide does not replace the MOCOPA Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting Guide, however it is designed to complement its use.

2.2 Format and structure of the Guide

The Guide contains:

- The manufacturer and type of equipment
- Known areas of use
- Potential associated risks

Note – The known areas of use are there for indicative purposes only. If an area is unchecked it does not mean categorically that this version does not exist in this area.

2.3 Updates to this Guide

This Guide is to be treated as a live document and will be updated periodically as new information comes available.

2.4 Using this Guide

This Guide has been split into colour-coded sections as detailed below by the use of a coloured header banner.

Red header banner – these cut-outs contain known industry issues and cannot be operated or worked on by Meter Operators so are titled Embargoed.

Amber header banner - these cut-outs may contain issues and need a thorough risk assessment to ensure that it is safe to proceed so are titled Potential Issues.

Green header banner - these cut-outs contain no known industry issues although a risk assessment is still required prior to operation so are titled No Known Issues.

3. Embargoed

Embargoed – an issue with the design of the DB equipment that prevents metering work from being carried out.

The individual issue should be clearly identified and reported to the appropriate DB as stipulated in the MOCOPA Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting.

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.1 BCEB	Type: Unknown



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.2 BICC	Type: Glass fronted metal clad with switch



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.3 Unknown	Type: Unknown





Known Issues

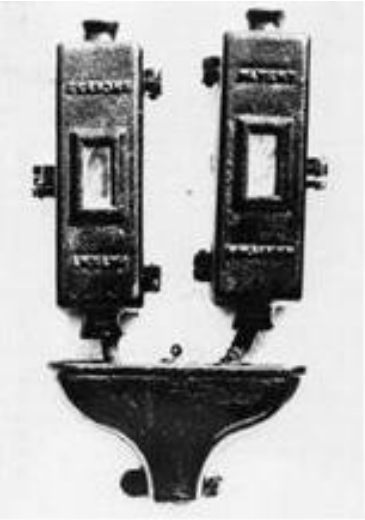
- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.4 Manchester	Type: Single phase fusing off service head







Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.5 Unknown	Type: Glass fronted metal clad with switch



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.6 Isco	Type: Type M



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.7 Isco	Type: Type G



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.8 LEP	Type: Unknown



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.9 Fluvent	Type: Bakelite fuse ways on service head



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.10 Mackintosh Derby	Type: Bakelite fuse ways on service head



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.11 Reyrolle	Type: Bakelite fuse ways on service head



Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.12 Unknown	Type: Unknown



Known Issues

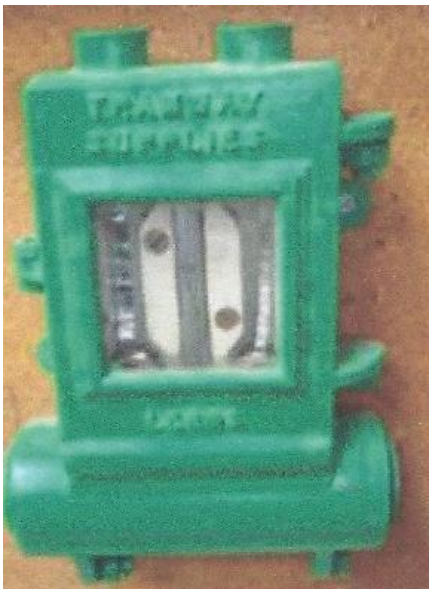
- Pads behind fuse wire may contain asbestos (A12 or C11)
- Fused neutral (B11)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.13 Tramway	Type: Tramway supplies Leeds





Known Issues

- Pads behind fuse wire may contain asbestos (A12 or C11)
- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.14 LBCEB	Type: Property of London Electricity Board





Known Issues

- Pads behind fuse wire may contain asbestos (A12 or C11)
- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.15 Lucy Oxford	Type: Property of London Electricity Board



No withdrawable fuse carriers

Known Issues

- Fused neutral (B11)
- Fuses non-withdrawable by design (B05)
- Front cover has no hinge and is only held on by only four screws

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Embargoed	
Manufacturer: 3.16 Circa 1940s pressed steel	Type: Unknown







Known Issues

- Front cover has no hinge (B08)
- Possibility of flashover

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4. Potential Issues

Potential Issues – this section contains information on cut-outs that potentially could contain an issue.

As part of the Meter Operator's process a thorough risk assessment must be conducted. This section is designed to raise the awareness of the meter operative as what they might encounter during their works. If any issues are identified with the DB equipment these should be reported in line with the MOCOPA Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting.

Note - only actual issues with the DB equipment should stop work being conducted by the Meter Operative.

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.1 Isco	Type: Type A & S with fused neutral



Known Issues

- May contain fused neutral (B11)
- May contain asbestos coated label

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.2 Isco	Type: Unhinged 3 phase cut out





Known Issues

- Ceramic fuses can contain asbestos padding (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers can be damaged or missing (B03)
- Heavy cast iron lid which sits on a lip and is unhinged. The lid can drop and smash through the ceramic fuses. (B08)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.3 Brookfield	Type: **30 Amp Metal Clad**



Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.4 Henley	Type: Metal Clad Riser unit





Known Issues

- Bottom pins holding cast iron lid can be missing or broken (A04 or B08)
- Bottom inside paxolin divider may be missing leaving exposed conductors (B03)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.5 Isco	Type: Unknown





Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.6 Isco	Type: Type S







Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.7 Unknown	Type: Unknown



Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.8 Siemens	Type: 30 Amp Metal Clad



Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.9 Siemens	Type: 30 Amp Metal Clad with Switch



Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

Note – The cut-out isolation switch only makes the customers tails dead; the meter will still be live until the cut-out fuse is removed.

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.10 Siemens	Type: 60 Amp Metal Clad



Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.11 Siemens	Type: Box No 2246A



Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.12 Henley	Type: Biscuit Tin





Known Issues

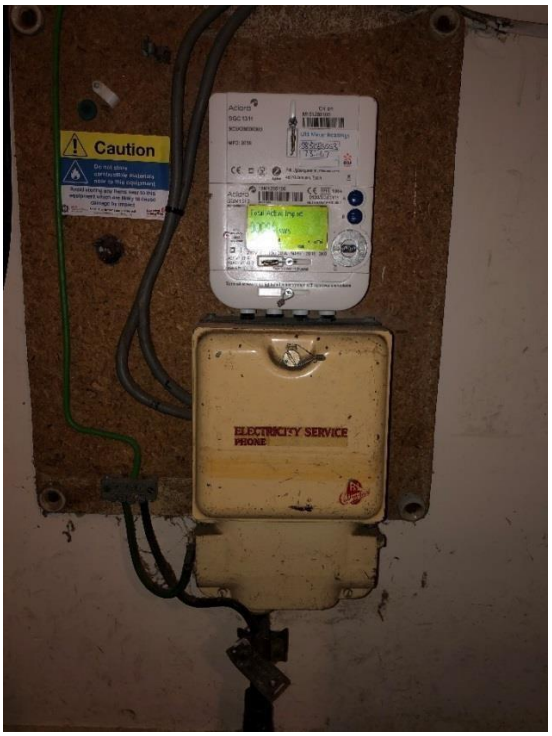
- Meter can be close coupled so holes may need to be adequately covered if meter is relocated
- Bitumen can have sunk back in bottom of chamber leaving exposed live cables showing (A07)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.13 BICC or BI Callenders	Type: Biscuit Tin



Known Issues

- Meter can be close coupled so holes may need to be adequately sealed if meter is relocated
- Bitumen can have sunk back in bottom of chamber leaving exposed live cables showing (A07)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.14 ISCO	Type: **Type S with individual fuse and Neutral**



Known Issues

- Ceramic separators between service head and termination point can be damaged or missing leaving live exposed parts (A07)
- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Bitumen may leak (C02)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.15 Lucy Oxford	Type: **4MC**





Known Issues

- Bitumen can have sunk back in bottom of chamber leaving exposed live cables showing (A07)
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be missing (B03)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.16 Prento	Type: **3 phase riser termination point**





Known Issues

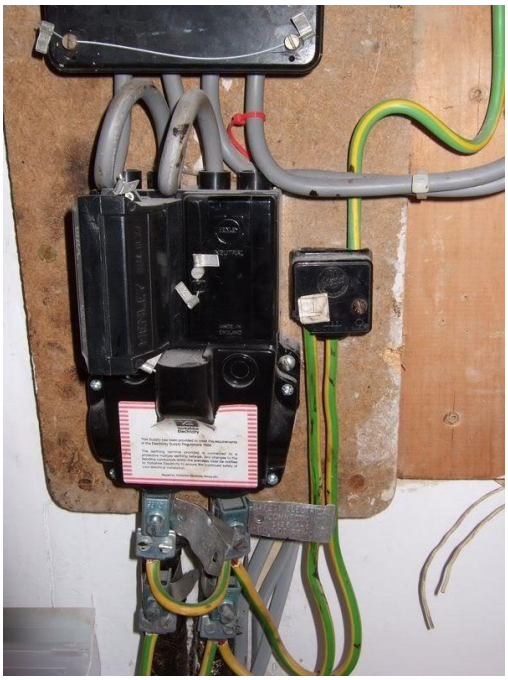
- Phase barrier may be missing exposing 3 phase riser conductors (B03)
- Meters may be mounted directly on top of unit
- Some versions contain a skeleton contactor protected by a secondary fuse which is centrally switched and may be on a separate phase

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.17 Henley	Type: **Series 5 Black Plastic**



Known Issues

- Under certain conditions the cut-out casing can give a live indication (A19).

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.18 GEC	Type: **Black Plastic**



Known Issues

- Under certain conditions the cut-out casing can give a live indication (A19).

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.19 BICC	Type: **Black Plastic**



Known Issues

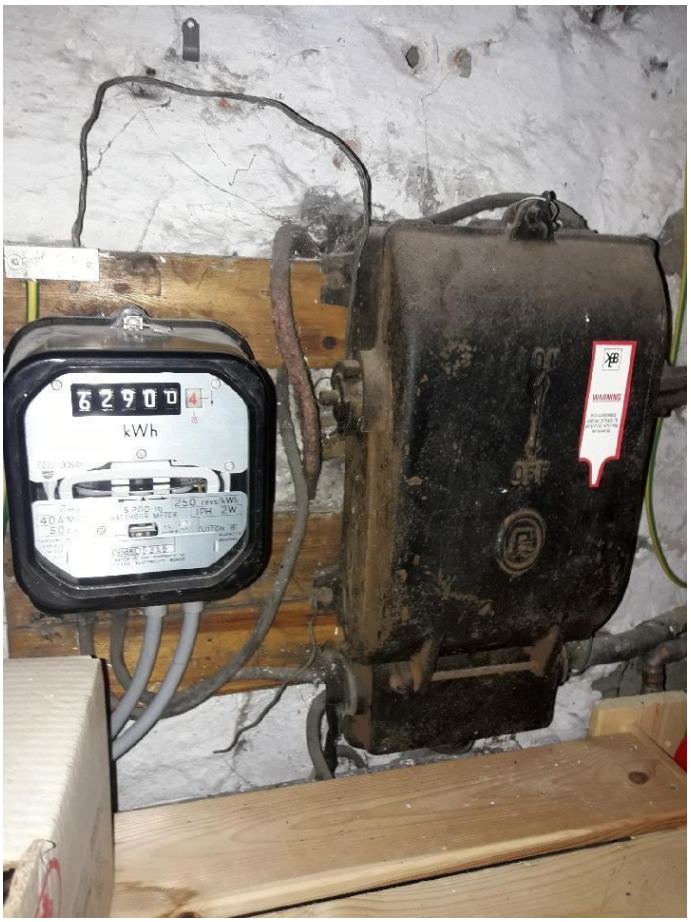
- Under certain conditions the cut-out casing can give a live indication (A19).

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.20 Unknown	Type: **Unknown**



Known Issues

- The VIR/cloth neutral cable is connected in the bottom of the cut-out and inaccessible (B07)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: **4.21 Bill**	**Type: Bakelite**



Known Issues

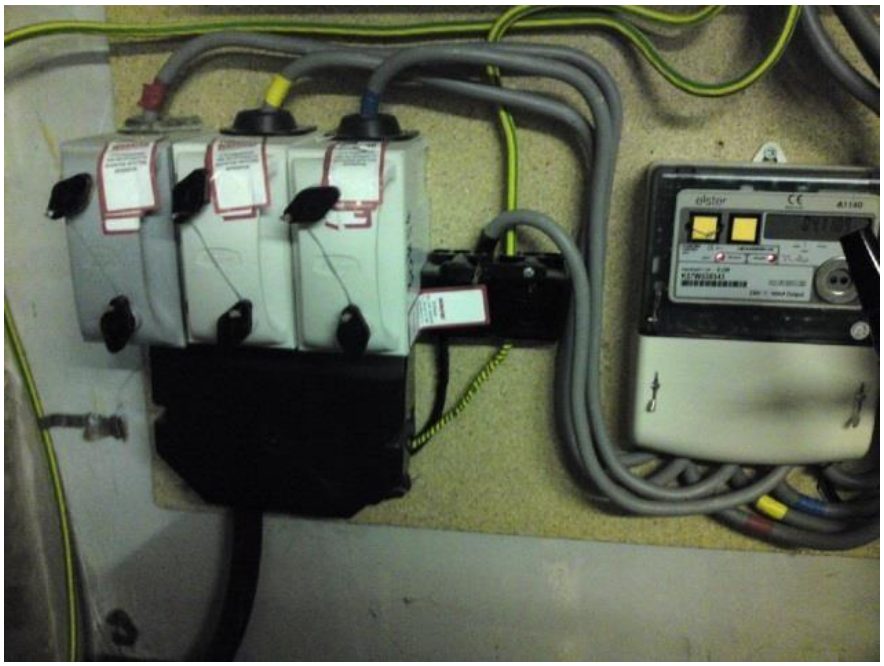
- There are two versions of this type of cut-out and the neutral can be found
  1. Fixed
  2. Fused
- May contain fused neutral – this cannot be identified until the fuse carrier has been removed. (B11).

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.22 Converted Lucy Oxford	Type: **Non-Standard**



Known Issues

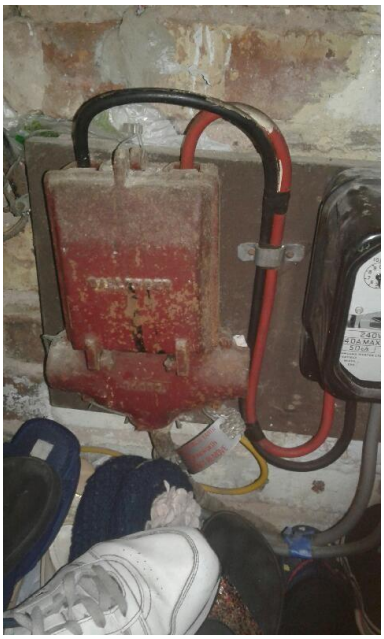
- If fuseways are not installed tightly to the service head, live conductors may be left exposed (A07)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.23 Unknown	Type: Unknown



Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.24 Henley	Type: L007N



Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.25 LCED	Type: Unknown



Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.26 LCED	Type: LCED with ceramic fuse holder



Known Issues

- Ceramic fuse holder can crack (A07)
- Fuse holder can contain asbestos pads in the holder and base (A12 or C11)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.27 Lucy Oxford	Type: LCED



Known Issues

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.28 Lucy Oxford	Type: LCED



Known Issues

- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.29 Intermediate Box	Type: **Cast Iron 3 phase riser termination point**



Known Issues

- Phase barrier may be missing exposing 3 phase riser conductors (B03)
- Meters may be mounted directly on top of unit
- Some versions contain a skeleton contactor protected by a secondary fuse which is centrally switched and may be on a separate phase

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.30 BICC	Type: **Black plastic with switched terminal**





Known Issues

- Under certain conditions the cut-out casing can give a live indication (A19)
- These cut-outs can contain a third terminal (2nd live). This third terminal is a core previously used for local authority communal lighting or heating schemes and is switched remotely switched so can become unexpectedly live

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.31 ISCO	Type: **Cast Iron 3 phase**





Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.32 Siemens	Type: **Sunbeam**





Known Issues

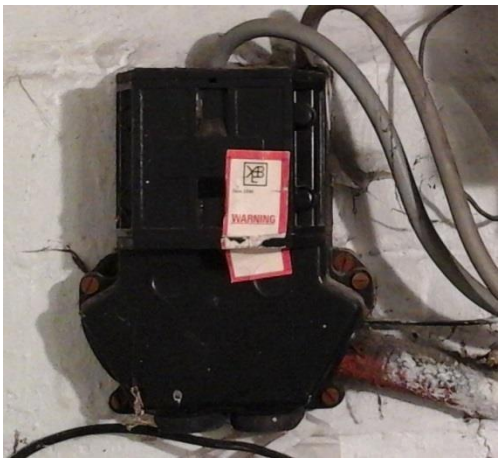
- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- May contain asbestos fuse barriers (A12 or C11)
- May contain fused neutrals (B11)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.33 BICC	Type: **Black Plastic**





Known Issues

- Under certain conditions the cut-out casing can give a live indication (A19)
- These cut-outs can contain a third terminal (2nd live). This third terminal is a core previously used for local authority communal lighting or heating schemes and is switched remotely so can become unexpectedly live

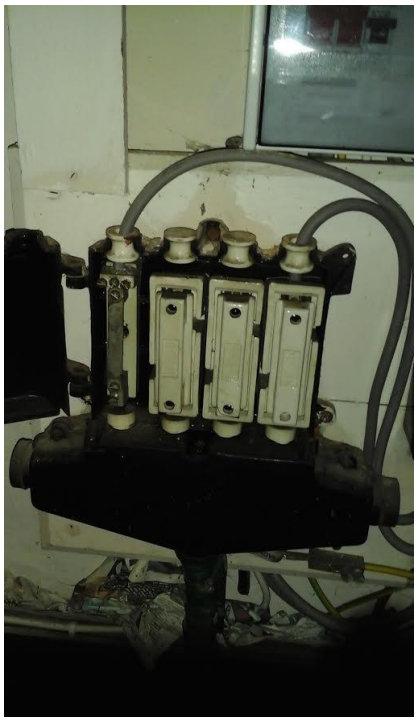
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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.34 Unknown	Type: **Unknown**





Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- May contain rewirable fuses (C18)

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.35 Fluvent	Type: **Sideways fuse**











Known Issues

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.36 Delta	Type: **657**





Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- May contain rewirable fuses (C18)

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.37 BI Calendars	Type: 30 amp single pole and neutral





Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- May contain rewirable fuses (C18)

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.38 Unknown	Type: Metal clad 2 phase and neutral



Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- May contain rewirable fuses (C18)

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.39 GEC SCED	Type: Metal clad



Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- May contain rewirable fuses (C18)

Note – The cut-out isolation switch only makes the customers tails dead; the meter will still be live until the cut-out fuse is removed.

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.40 SCED	Type: Metal clad





Known Issues

- Hinges may be broken (A04 or B08)
- Fuse carrier may contain asbestos pad (A12 or C11)
- Phase barriers may be asbestos (A12 or C11)
- May contain rewirable fuses (C18)

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.41 Siemens	Type: Pot Bellied 60/80 Amp





Known Issues

- Bakelite can become brittle under certain conditions
- Fuse carrier is porcelain and can crack if not handled with care
- Terminal screws are small and easily sheared as soft metal

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.42 AEI	Type: Multiway fuse unit





Known Issues

- Lid is removable and heavy, if studs are missing lid can drop and damage fuses

Action

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Potential Issues	
Manufacturer: 4.43 Fluvent	Type: Fluvent Metal Encased







Known Issues

Action

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5. No known issues

No Known Issues – These cut-outs contain no known industry issues although a thorough risk assessment is still required prior to operation.

Any actions/work carried out by the Meter Operative at site shall be completed in accordance with their company policies and procedures.

Note – This category does not mean that this type of DB equipment will never have an issue however it is much less likely or as a result of damage

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.1 Lucy	Type: Series 7



Known Issues

- No common issues have been identified with this type of unit

Action

In the event that an issue is identified, follow the MOCOPA Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting using the appropriate code.

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.2 Redlink	Type: Plastic





Known Issues

- This type of installation is installed and owned by the Building Network Operator (BNO).
- There are no known issues with this type of cut-out

Action

Any issues identified with this type of installation should be reported to the responsible BNO.

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.3 Henley	Type: Single phase fuse extension



Known Issues

- No common issues have been identified with this type of unit

Action

In the event that an issue is identified, follow the MOCOPA Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting using the appropriate code.

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.4 GEC	Type: Bakelite



Known Issues

- No common issues have been identified with this type of unit

Action

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.5 Ryefield	Type: Multiple way fuse unit



Known Issues

- No common issues have been identified with this type of unit

Action

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.6 MCED/ AerofleX	Type: Single way fuse unit



Known Issues

- No common issues have been identified with this type of unit

Action

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No Known Issues	
Manufacturer: 5.7 Delta	Type: 657





Known Issues

- No common issues have been identified with this type of unit

Action

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