PAD-MOUNTED TRANSFORMER INSTALLED INDOORS

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Function: Design and Construction
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This document is also included in the following manuals:

- Electric and Gas Service Requirements Manual (Greenbook)
- Electric Meter Work Practices

Purpose and Scope
This document provides a guide for determining space requirements and illustrates recommended layouts to accommodate three-phase, loop, or radial circuit, pad-mounted transformers installed in a dry room located inside or adjacent to a customer's building. The room is usually provided by the customer.

General Information
1. A dry room is one which:
   A. Is located at/or above ground level, or
   B. Is located below ground level, and
      (1) Is completely contained within the building’s foundation.
      (2) Is so designed that flood water entry is prevented.
      (3) Has sufficient gravity drainage to prevent water retention.

2. It is best that the doorway of the room opens to the street. However, the doors may open to a parking area or driveway provided that access is maintained from the street to the doors. The access path must be at least 11 feet wide.

3. The room must be large enough to accommodate a transformer capable of supplying 100% of the main switch capacity. Enlarging a transformer room is very costly and sometimes entirely impractical.

4. Eight feet of clear level space must be provided in front of the transformer cabinet, in order that the fuses and cables can be safely operated with live-line tools.

5. Ventilation design must conform to the requirements in Document 054163. The location of the vent shafts may be adjusted to meet local conditions. Cross ventilation must always be maintained.

6. The room itself must conform to all applicable state and local codes. The applicant is responsible for installing and maintaining any items such as sprinklers, smoke alarms, etc. that may be required by local authorities.

7. It is preferable to have access to a room via an outside entrance which would be accessible to authorized Company employees at all times (i.e., from parking lot, loading ramp, street, etc.). However, should it become necessary to accept access through the customer's premises, arrangements should be made to ensure that complete access for both equipment and authorized Company employees is available whenever required. Inadequate access will result in prolonged outages.

8. The room shall be designed with adequate security to permit entrance only to authorized personnel.

9. Cable troughs rather than conduits are required to allow the cables to be pulled out of the way of jacking and rolling the transformer out of the room.
10. The applicant will own and construct the transformer room and any associated substructures on its property. This provision is in accordance with the rates filed with and approved by the CPUC. The room must meet all city, county, and state codes and regulations, as well as PG&E’s requirements for the safe installation, removal, and operation of its equipment.

11. PG&E must review and approve a not-for-construction drawing prior to the construction of the vault. Once approved, PG&E will forward it and the associated specification sheets to the applicant for his/her use and distribution to the general contractor. It is the responsibility of the applicant to notify PG&E of any design or construction changes. PG&E must review and approve these changes before proceeding with the design or construction of the vault.

12. It is the applicant’s responsibility to contact PG&E’s inspection department prior to the construction of the transformer room. PG&E will inspect the transformer room as it is being built to assure the proper installation and placement of various items required to ensure a safe working environment. PG&E equipment will not be installed until the room has been completed and the work area is clear of any debris. PG&E’s inspection department must accept and sign off the room before energizing the new service. To schedule a room inspection appointment, please call__________.

13. No foreign objects shall pass through or terminate in the transformer room. The use of surface-mounted rigid electrical conduits and outlet boxes is allowed provided they are waterproof and approved by the local authorities.

14. Provide 3-hour fire rated concrete reinforced structure, including cable troughs, room walls, floor, and ceiling. Cover all exposed structural steel with 3-hour fire rated flameproof material. Seal off all openings to the interior of the building with approved caulking material. Intake and exhaust vents must be constructed with 3-hour fire dampers.

15. The doors must:
   A. Be 3-hour fire rated.
   B. Be capable of being secured while in the open position.
   C. Open sufficiently so that within 2’ of the 8’ 6” doorway the path for the transformer installation and removal must open up to at least 11’ wide.
   D. Open sufficiently so as not to impede the sidewalk.

16. Provide a minimum of two lights with a minimum 30 foot-candle illumination. Provide convenient GFI duplex receptacles. Maintain 60 inches above the finish floor for receptacles and switches. Provide power for all equipment from the applicant’s emergency power supply. Also see Document 054438.

17. Provide pulling eyes (Code 36-2029) with a working load of 10,000 lbs. times a safety factor of two. Install the pulling eyes 36” above the finished floor with 4 inches of clear space between the steel and wall surface. Center them directly across from the door opening and the end of each cable trough. Submit an engineered wet stamped drawing to PG&E for its approval for any pulling eye deviations. Also see Document 09219.

18. The room floor must support the total weight of PG&E equipment plus 2,000 lbs. and maintain a minimum of 10 feet ceiling height for moving the equipment.

Secondary Configuration

19. The secondary configuration depends on the main switch size and whether or not there is an associated fire pump main.
   A. For main service of up to 7 sets of cables per Greenbook Document 063928 without a separate fire pump service, or where the combined mains of the service and fire pump do not require more than 8 cables, the secondary are cables in an open trench to conduits stubbed through the right-side or rear vault wall (see Figure 1 on Page 5). Alternately, the cables may terminate on a wall-mounted bus stub.
   B. For main service of up to 7 sets of cables per Greenbook Document 063928 with a separate fire pump service, the secondary is made of cables in an open trench to wall-mounted bus stubs that feed adjacent stubs to the fire pump (see Figure 4 on Page 8).
   C. For bus duct main service per Greenbook Document 063928 without a separate fire pump service, the applicant provides a bus duct termination through the vault wall (see Figure 7 on Page 11).
   D. For bus duct main service per Greenbook Document 063928 with a separate fire pump service, the secondary is made of cables in an applicant-installed cable tray from the side of the transformer to wall-mounted bus stubs that then also feed an adjacent bus stub to the fire pump (see Figure 9 on Page 13).
E. The fire pump main must be dedicated to emergency equipment and must not exceed 2,000 A. With combined services, running the emergency equipment will require curtailing regular load. There shall be a permanent sign on or near the fire pump controls indicating that regular load must be curtailed when running the fire pumps.

20. Provide a ______ CFM forced air ventilation system from outside air via direct-drive, AMCA Type A or B spark resistant, fan with an explosion proof motor (intake) and high exhaust vent opening. Install 1/2-inch mesh screen on both sides of the fan assembly (see Document 054163). Install a remote thermostat sensor at the exhaust opening and a separate thermostat control 60 inches above finished floor. Set thermostat between 85°F and 90°F. All vent openings shall have a minimum of 576 square inches of opening.

21. Provide two 3/4" X 12" ground rods with 12" exposed above finished floor, as shown in the plan view. Ground rods are not to be altered in any way and must maintain a minimum of 6 feet of separation between them. Install #2 Solid CU ground wire in a loop as indicated between the ground rods. PG&E will inspect all ground rods prior to covering. Provide tests and documentation for deviations to this procedure to substantiate the resistivity of the ground rods (see Document 060462).

22. Provide a 6-inch removable sill across all entrances for oil containment after transformer(s) are installed. Caulk all gaps leading to the interior of the building. Provide a Corbin lock set with tumbler (CL3357-N2D-626 or CK4257-GRC-626) for the vault door(s). PG&E will key the tumblers. Provide provisions to lock the door in the open position for emergency purposes.

23. All exposed metal in the vault must be grounded.

24. Room to be designed and built as a Class 1, Zone 1, reference California Subchapter 5, Electrical Safety Orders, Article 59, hazardous (classified) locations.

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- **Unit for Use With Pad-Mounted Transformers**
- **Corporation Padlock**

### Location Document

- **UG-1: Services/Greenbook**
- **TIL**

### Table 1 Bill of Materials for Three-Phase, Pad-Mounted Transformer

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**Layout for Up to 7 Service Cables**

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Layout for Up to 7 Service Cables (continued)

Section A–A

Figure 2
Transformer Installed
Front View
For Up to 8 Sets of Service Cables
(radial primary installation shown)
Layout for Up to 7 Service Cables (continued)

Figure 3
Alternate Secondary Cable Trench End for Bus Duct Termination
Side View
(see Details D, E, F on Page 20)
Layout for up to 8 Service Cables with Separate Fire Pump

Fire Pump Bus Termination (see Figure 5 on Page 9 and Figure 3 on Page 7)

Ground Wire #2 CU Solid (see Detail B on Page 18)

PULLING EYE

12' Ground Rod With 12" Exposed

Primary 2-4" (alternate)

12' Ground Rod With 12" Exposed

Primary 2-4"

Ground Wire in Primary Trough

Pulling Eye

Imaginary Line for Transformer Pad

42" Min

36" Min

18" 15"

21"

19" 20"

17"

90"

42" Min

6" High Removable Sill (see Note 22 on Page 3)

LEGEND

S Temperature Sensor (cooling-type)

T Thermostat Control (60" above finished floor)

S Fan Cutoff Switch (60' above finished floor)

GFI Duplex Receptacles (60" above finished floor)

S Light Switch (60" above finished floor)

• 3/4" x 12" Ground Rod

● Light Fixtures

PULLING EYE (see Note 17 on Page 2)

Notes

1. Primary may also be routed to back wall of vault. Primary may not be routed from primary section of transformer to the back wall underneath the transformer.

2. All exposed grounded metal bolts within 10" of bus bars shall be suitably insulated.

3. Barrier is not needed if firestop supports the bus and is smoke proof.
Layout for up to 8 Service Cables with Separate Fire Pump (continued)

Figure 5
Service Connection – Top View
(see Details D, E, F on Page 20)
Layout for up to 8 Service Cables with Separate Fire Pump (continued)

Illustrated: 8 sets of cables to main switch with 2 sets of cables to fire pump. Number of required cables will vary.

Figure 6
Cable Service With Fire Pump – Side View
**Layout for Bus Duct with no Separate Fire Pump**

**Note**

1. Primary may also be routed to back wall of vault. Primary may not be routed from primary section of transformer to the back wall underneath the transformer.
Layout for Bus Duct with no Separate Fire Pump (continued)

Style IIE Bayonet Load-Break Oil Fuse

Liquid Level Indicator

Removable Steel Grating

See Document 045291

Bus Bar Support Brackets (see Document 063929)

Bus Duct Termination End Flange and Flange Plate

1,000 kcmil, 600 V Copper Conductor Extra Flexible, 127 D Stranding Code 294490

Cable Spacer (see Document 063929)

22-3/8”

24”

Min. to any bend or obstruction

23”−24”

Ground Wires

Section B−B

Figure 8

Bus Duct Termination

Note: See Document 063929 for bus duct termination box details

See Detail H on Page 21
Layout for Cable Tray Service with a Separate Fire Pump

**Note**

1. Primary may also be routed to back wall of vault. Primary may not be routed from primary section of transformer to the back wall underneath the transformer.
Layout for Cable Tray Service with a Separate Fire Pump (continued)

9 Sets of 1,000 kcmil, 600 V Copper Conduct Extra Flexible, 127 D Stranding Code 294490

Secondary Neutral Grounding (see Document 060462)

Style IIE Bayonet Load-Break Oil Fuse

Liquid Level Indicator

Removable Steel Grating

Bus Stub (see Detail E on Page 20)

Cable Tray by Applicant

Support as Required by Applicant

Ground Wires

See Detail H on Page 21

Section C–C

Note: Cable tray shall be vented, with rollers, minimum of 36” wide and 3-1/2” deep.

Figure 10
3,000 A – 4,000 A Pad-Mounted Service Cable Enclosure With Fire Pump
Forced Air Details

Figure 11
Plan View – Detail of Forced Air Ventilation
Forced Air Details (continued)

Figure 12
Section A–A

Figure 13
Front View – Ventilation and Entrance Details
When Only Personnel Access is Required
Forced Air Details (continued)

Figure 14
Front View – Ventilation and Entrance Details
Cable Trough Details

Section D-D
Figure 15
Primary Cable Trough
Note: 3-hour fire rated (see Note 14 on Page 2)

Section E-E
Figure 16
Secondary Cable Trough for 400 A – 2,500 A Mains

Note: Size as required to fit duct spacers.
Dimensions shown are for Formex four way spacer for 2" conduit with 2"
separation (see Detail C on Page 19).

Detail B
Mounting Ground Ring Bus to Vault Wall

Cable Block and Pin
(see Document 028077
Figure 1 on Page 1)
Cable Trough Details (continued)

1. Place one duct spacer every 18" from secondary window edge.
2. Functional equivalent may be used.
3. Use one 4-hole spacer with 2" holes for each set of 1000MCM cables, for example:
   - for five sets of cables each spacer set is 4 holes wide by 5 layers deep.
   - for seven sets of cables each spacer set is 4 holes wide by 7 layers deep.

Detail D
Typical Non-Skid Grating
1. Size and numbers as required.
2. Maximum weight of each piece shall not exceed 50 lbs.
3. Open area must be at least 45%.
**Bus Bar Termination Details**

1. All exposed grounded metal bolts within 10" of bus bars shall be suitably insulated.
2. Barrier is not needed if firestop supports the bus and is smokeproof.
Primary Cable Support Details (continued)

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Rev. Notes
Revision 11 has the following changes:

1. Removed Figure 15 and Notes 1, 2 and 3 on Page on18.