

## EFI.02 EARTH FAULT INDICATOR

EARTH-FAULT DETECTION AND SIGNALLING  
FOR MEDIUM VOLTAGE CABLES



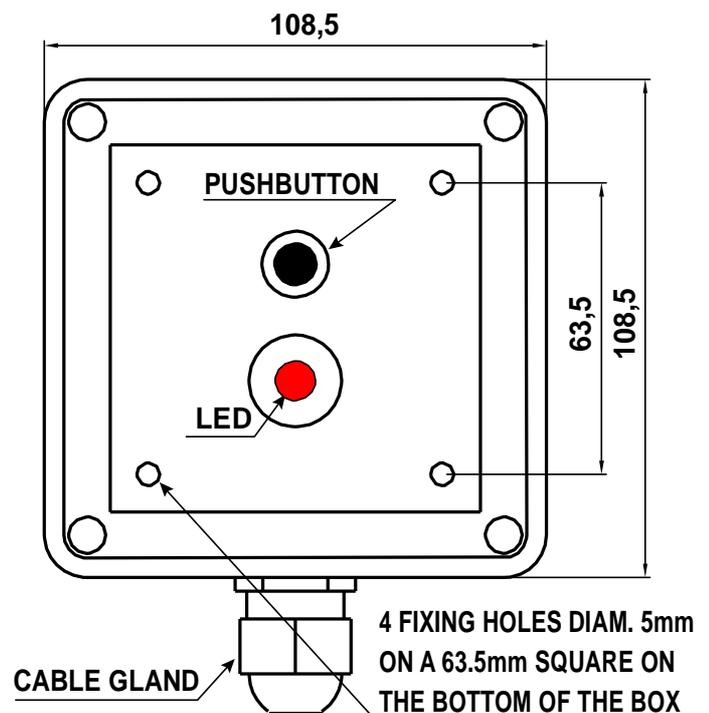
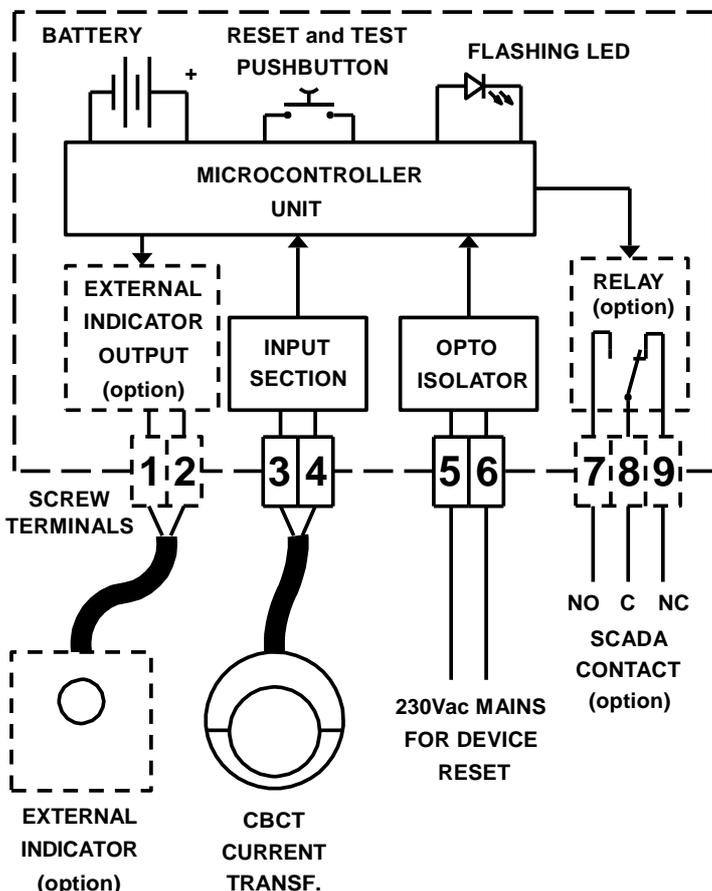
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- Visual LED local indication with self test by pushbutton
- 3 resets modes: time-delay, 230Vac mains voltage, pushbutton
- 10 years battery operation over 2500 flashing hours
- Easy-to-fit cbct resin split-type current transformer
- (option) scada contact for remote signaling and control
- (option) External remote indicator output
- (option) gsm/umts remote control and remote signalling.

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

**EFI** Earth-Fault Indicator device for earth-fault detection and signalling on medium voltage networks:

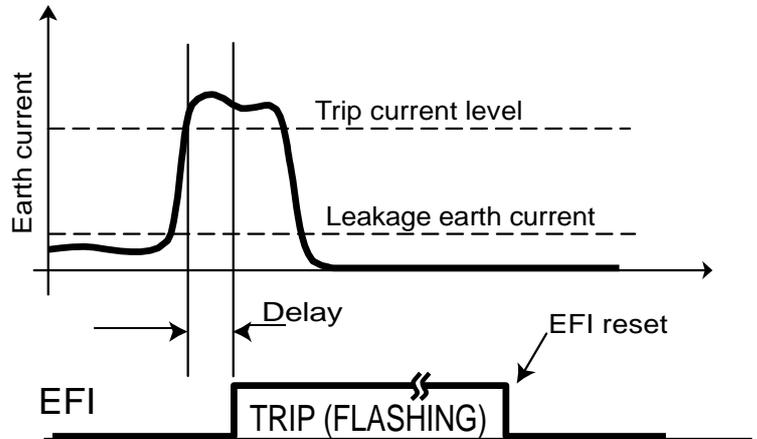
- Designed to be installed on MV cables up to 33kV (underground, switchgears, cells, etc.).
- Local earth fault signalling by means of flashing LED.
- Single level of trip current (current value can be customer defined).
- Reset modes: time-delay, 230Vac mains voltage and pushbutton reset (time-delay value can be customer defined).
- Single fault-delay value for transient cancellation (delay value can be customer defined).
- Correct operation (test) can be checked pressing the pushbutton on the front.
- Self-powered by the internal lithium battery with 10 years lifetime and over 2500 flashing hours.
- Battery can be easily replaced with lithium 3,6V - ½ AA type (no soldering or tools required).
- Electronic module enclosed in IP65 box linked to the external current transformer CBCT.
- Split-type resin current transformer CBCT ring-type, composed by two halves that can be installed without MV cables disconnection and held together by metallic screw tie.
- Option: SCADA relay contact for remote earth fault signalling and control.
- Option: screw terminal output to drive the external flashing indicator (option).



**IMPORTANT: FOR DEVICE OPERATION REMOVE BATTERY PAPER STRIP**

## OPERATION

The device continuously checks the earth current. When the trip level is exceeded for more than the delay time, the device trips: the LED starts flashing and (if present) the SCADA relay gives a pulse signalling, closing the contact for 500ms. If a second fault occurs when the EFI is already tripped, the SCADA contact (if present) will close again for 500ms to indicate that a second fault has occurred. The minimum fault duration (delay) time is designed to discriminate real faults from simple line transients.



**DEVICE TEST:** simply press the pushbutton when the device is not flashing. The EFI will start flashing and (if present) the SCADA relay will give a pulse signalling.

**DEVICE RESET:** After the device has tripped, it can be reset in the following ways:

- Pressing the pushbutton on the front.
- TIME RESET: the EFI will reset automatically when the preset time has elapsed.
- 230Vac MAINS RESET: the EFI will reset when the mains 230Vac is back after the fault restoration. Simply connect this input to mains 230Vac voltage.

**Note:** in order to use this reset feature, the 230Vac voltage must disappear when the fault occurs, i.e. it must be cut off by the MV circuit breaker that breaks the faulty line, otherwise the EFI will reset immediately after the fault.

## OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

### LXI SERIES

#### LAMP EXTERNAL INDICATORS

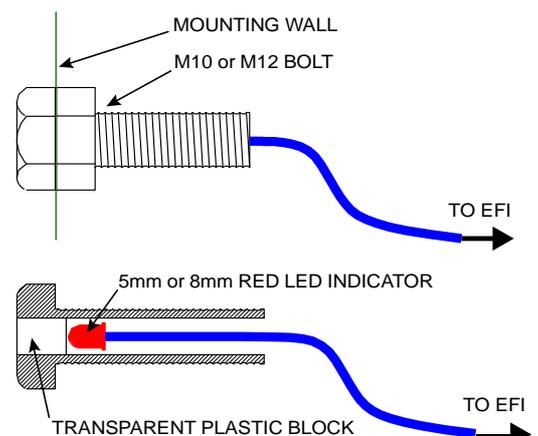


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### BXI BOLT EXTERNAL INDICATOR



## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Earth fault trip Current	Factory default: 50A $\pm$ 20% (current value can be customer defined).
Min. Fault Duration (Delay)	Factory default: 50ms $\pm$ 20ms (time value can be customer defined).
CBCT Current Transformer	Resin, split in 2 halves tied by metallic screw tie. Internal standard diameter 110mm (CT.01) - option 150mm (CT.03).
Device link with CBCT	5m 2x1sqmm PVC cable (custom lengths on request).
Visual Fault Signalling	Flashing red LED, ultra bright flash at 1 flash per second. Visibility in excess of 5m.
Power Supply	Self-powered by internal lithium battery 3,6V - ½ AA type. 10 years lifetime with over 2500 hours flashing time. Battery can be easily replaced with lithium 3,6V - ½ AA standard type (no soldering or tools required).
Reset modes (All features present)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Automatic after time delay, factory default: 2hrs <math>\pm</math> 5min (time value can be customer defined).</li> <li>• When the 230 Vac mains voltage is restored (link cable not provided).</li> <li>• By the pushbutton placed on the cover.</li> </ul>
Device Test	By the pushbutton placed on the cover.
Device Enclosure	IP65 Polycarbonate
Ambient temperature	-20 to +55 deg C.
OPTION: Remote Fault Signalling (SCADA relay)	NO+NC changeover SCADA relay contact - Signalling time (pulse): 500ms. Contact ratings: 1A max, 230Vac, 30W max (OPTION: permanent contact)
OPTION: External indicator output	Screw terminal outputs to drive the external flashing indicator.

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