

EARTHINGS CALCULATIONS GENERAL

No. of copper-bonded rod earth electrodes require for earthing of 3 phase,415V Alternators

Soil Resistivity	Generator Capacity KVA	Full Load Current A	Size of Copper-bonded rod	No. of Rods
30 Ωm	Upto 10 KVA	14 A	14.2mm dia x 1.5m long	3
	15 KVA	21 A	14.2mm x 1.5m long	3
	15 KVA to 63 KVA	88 A	17.2mm x 1.5m	3
	63 to 82.5 KVA	115 A	17.2mm x 2.0m	3
	100 KVA	140 A	17.2mm x 2.5m	3
	125 KVA	175 A	25.0mm x 2.5m	3
	160 KVA	224 A	20.0mm x 2.5m	3
	200 KVA	280 A	25.0mm x 2.5m	3
	250 KVA	350 A	25.0mm x 3.0m 32mm x 3.0m	4
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50 Ωm	Upto 10 KVA	14 A	14.2mm dia x 1.5m long	3
	15 KVA	21 A	14.2mm x 1.5m long	3
	15 KVA to 63 KVA	88 A	17.2mm x 1.5m	3
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	200 KVA	280 A	32.0mm x 3.0m	3
	250 KVA	350 A	32.0mm x 3.0m	4
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70 Ωm	Upto 10 KVA	14 A	14.2mm dia x 1.5m long	3
	15 KVA	21 A	14.2mm x 1.5m long	3
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For 250 Kva.415V Alternator, rated current = $250 \times 10^3 / \sqrt{3} \times 415 = 350\text{A}$

Sub-Transient reactance = 0.12 p.u therefore max.fault

current = $350 / 0.12 = 350 \times 8.3 = 2900\text{A}$

From the above the maximum fault current of an Alternator will be 8.3 times its rated current