

AQ-101S

Arc flash protection device

Instruction manual



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2 Safety information

This document contains important instructions that should be saved for future use. Read the document carefully before installing, operating, servicing, or maintaining this equipment. Please read and follow all the instructions carefully to prevent accidents, injury and damage to property.

Additionally, this document may contain four (4) types of special messages to call the reader's attention to useful information as follows:

**NOTICE!**

"Notice" messages indicate relevant factors and conditions to the concept discussed in the text, as well as to other relevant advice.

**CAUTION!**

"Caution" messages indicate a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate personal injury, in equipment/property damage, or software corruption.

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Please note that although these warnings relate to direct damage to personnel and/or equipment, it should be understood that operating damaged equipment may also lead to further, indirect damage to personnel and/or equipment. Therefore, we expect any user to fully comply with these special messages.

3 Abbreviations

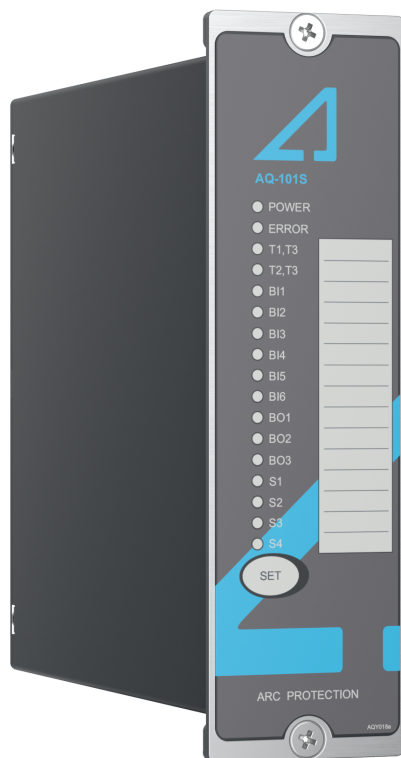
AQD	– arc quenching device
BI	– binary input
BO	– binary output
CB	– circuit breaker
CBFP	– circuit breaker failure protection
CT	– current transformer
EPROM	– erasable, programmable read-only memory
HSO	– high-speed output
LED	– light emitting diode
LV	– low-voltage
MV	– medium-voltage
NC	– normally closed
NO	– normally open
PCB	– printed circuit board
RF	– radio frequency
Rx	– receiver
SAS	– standard arc scheme
SF	– system failure
Tx	– transceiver
μP	- microprocessor

4 General

The AQ-101S is a sophisticated microprocessor-based arc flash protection device with point sensor channels. The device is designed to minimize the damage caused by an arc fault. This is done by tripping the circuit breaker which supplies current to the fault when sensors detect arc light.

The device includes a complete system self-supervision functionality which provides the highest level of dependability as it continuously monitors all internal system functions as well as all external connections.

Figure. 4 - 1. Arc protection device AQ-101S.



The AQ-101S is designed according to the latest protection relay standards and is therefore suitable for installations in rough environments. These include utilities and power plants (both traditional and renewable), various heavy industry applications (off-shore, marine, oil, gas, mining, steel, etc.) as well as commercial and institutional electrical systems. AQ-101S is suitable for MV and LV switchgears as well as for motor control center applications in both new and retrofitted installations.

5 Device features

AQ-101S is an arc flash protection device which can be applied to a variety of applications that require a large amount of data communication. It can be used on its own as a stand-alone device, or it can be a part of a more complex arc protection system by using binary inputs and outputs to connect multiple AQ 100 series devices together.

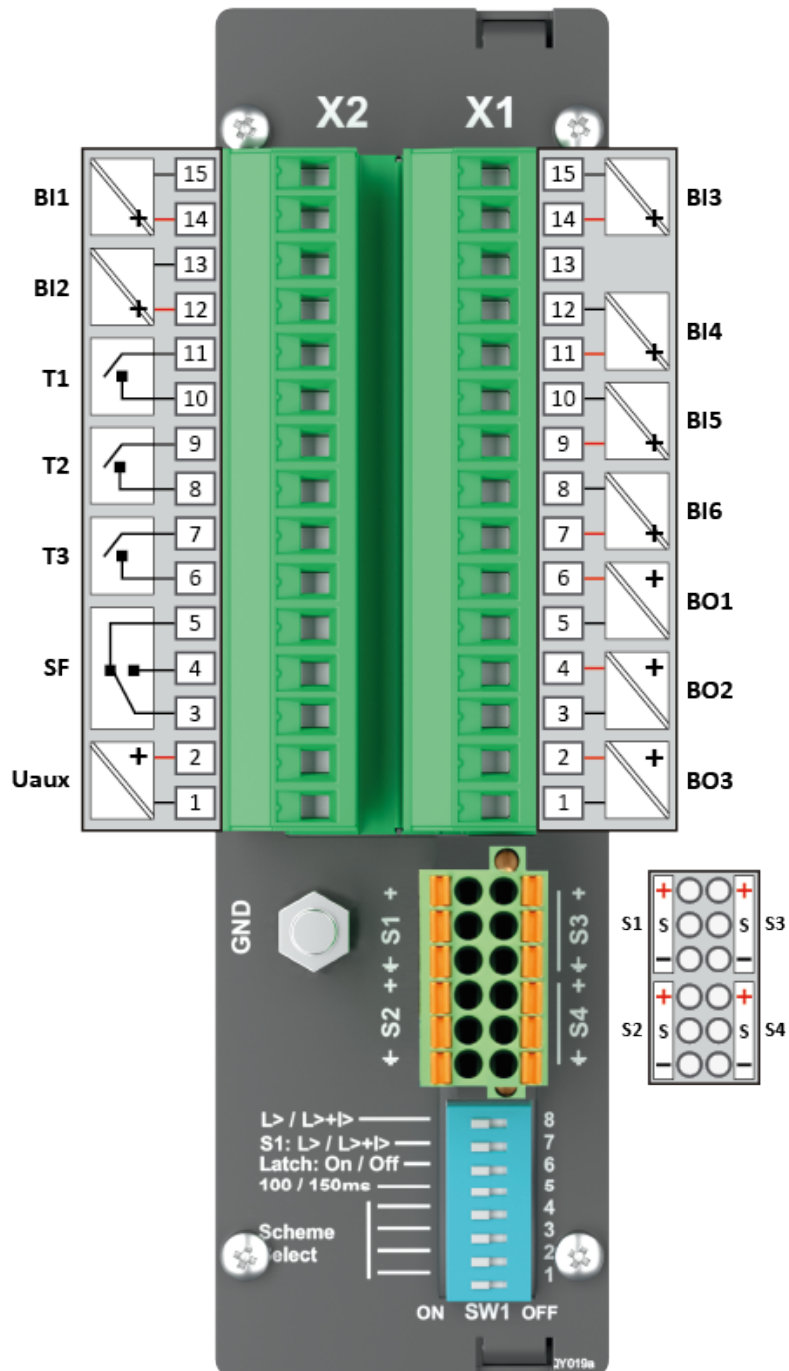
The following list presents the main features of the device:

- 92...265 V AC/DC auxiliary power supply or 18...72 V DC auxiliary power supply
- four (4) arc flash point sensor channels, max. three (3) point sensors per channel
- six (6) binary inputs
- three (3) trip relays
- three (3) binary outputs
- one (1) system failure relay (change-over)
- seventeen (17) indication LEDs
- eight (8) DIP switches for logic configuration
- one (1) multifunction push button.

6 Connections

The figure below depicts the connections of AQ-101S. Please note that the SF relay is in the de-energized position.

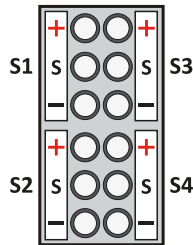
Figure. 6 - 2. Rear terminals of AQ-101S.



6.1 Inputs

6.1.1 Arc sensor channels

Figure. 6.1.1 - 3. Arc point sensor connections.



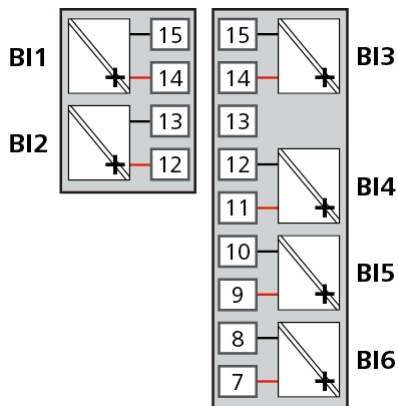
The device has four (4) arc point sensor channels: S1, S2, S3 and S4. Up to three (3) arc point sensors can be connected to each channel.

When the arc protection system has been set up, point sensor connections are constantly monitored. In case of sensor fault or disconnection, the device will go into Error mode. See the [System self-supervision](#) chapter for more information.

For more information on sensors, please refer to the [Arc sensors](#) chapter.

6.1.2 Binary inputs

Figure. 6.1.2 - 4. Binary input connections.



AQ-101S contains six (6) binary inputs.

Typically, BI1 and BI2 are reserved for the signal information concerning breaker position. In most applications BI3 is responsible for receiving overcurrent signal from an AQ-110 device. BI4, BI5 and BI6 can be used for receiving a trip signal or an arc light signal. For more information, please refer to the [DIP switch settings](#) chapter.

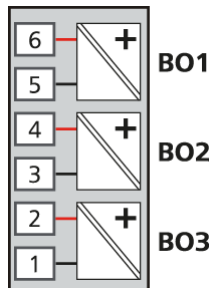
The binary inputs are activated when a connected DC signal reaches the nominal voltage level of the corresponding input, that is 24 VDC. Please note that the actual activation of the binary input occurs at a lower voltage (see the [Technical Data](#) chapter)!

AQ 100 series devices are capable of monitoring health of wiring between binary inputs and binary outputs of other AQ 100 series devices in the system. If binary input loses connection to any of the configured binary outputs, the device will go into Error mode. See the [System self-supervision](#) chapter for more information.

6.2 Outputs

6.2.1 Binary outputs

Figure. 6.2.1 - 5. Binary output connections.



AQ-101S has three (3) binary outputs: BO1, BO2 and BO3. Binary outputs are used for sending overcurrent, light detection, master trip and other signals to other AQ 100 series devices in the system. The binary output function can be configured with the DIP switches. For more information on the configuration, please refer to the [DIP switch settings](#) chapter.

AQ 100 series binary outputs have an internal 24 VDC power supply. Binary outputs generate a short test pulse every second. Binary inputs of the receiving AQ 100 series devices use these pulses to count the number of connected binary outputs. See the [System self-supervision](#) chapter for more information.

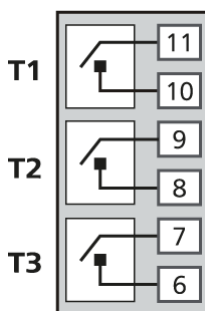


NOTICE!

Binary outputs are polarity-sensitive.

6.2.2 Trip relays

Figure. 6.2.2 - 6. Trip relay connections

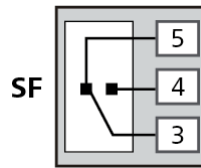


This device has three (3) normally open trip relays. Trip relays T1 and T2 are used for tripping circuit breakers. T3 is a common trip relay that operates whenever T1 or T2 operates. It can be used either for tripping one additional disconnecting device, or as a trip alarm in a (local or remote) monitoring and alarming system.

T3 is always a latching relay. Trip relays T1 and T2 can be set as latching relays with a DIP switch setting (for more information, please refer to the [DIP switch settings](#) chapter).

6.2.3 System failure relay

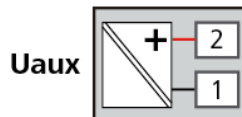
Figure. 6.2.3 - 7. System failure relay connection (de-energized position)



The system failure (SF) relay is of the change-over type (NO/NC) and it is energized when the device is in a healthy condition and powered on. Whenever the device detects a system error or the auxiliary power supply is disconnected, the SF relay changes its state. The state stays this way until the device returns to a healthy condition. See the [System self-supervision](#) chapter for more information.

6.3 Auxiliary voltage

Figure. 6.3 - 8. Auxiliary power supply connection



The auxiliary power supply voltage is 92...265 V AC/DC. Alternatively, the auxiliary power supply can be of 18...72 V DC. This choice must be specified when ordering.

7 Arc sensors

The AQ 100 series supports arc sensing point sensors and fiber optic loop sensors. These sensors can be used with different devices and different switchgear types according to specific application requirements.

Point sensors are typically installed in metal-clad compartments, and they provide a quick and accurate location of the fault area. Fiber loops typically cover a wider protected area with one fiber, when there is no need to pinpoint the exact location of a fault.

7.1 Arc light point sensor AQ-01

AQ-01 is a point sensor with a light-sensitive photodiode element activated by arc light. Its light detection radius is 180 degrees. The default light intensity threshold for an AQ-01 sensor is 8,000 lux. Depending on the demand of the application, light point sensors can be ordered with 25,000 lux or 50,000 lux thresholds.

Figure. 7.1 - 9. The AQ-01 arc light point sensor.



The AQ-01 sensors should be mounted in the switchgear cubicles in such a way that the light-sensitive part covers the protected area as completely as possible. In most cases one sensor per closed metal-clad compartment is sufficient. In open spaces (such as a busbar section) the sensors should be mounted no more than two (2) meters apart.

An AQ-01 is installed either inside or outside the compartment wall. When mounting inside the wall, the sensor is placed on the wall with the colored side against the wall. When mounting outside the wall the sensor is placed on the wall with the grey side against the wall and the eye is pushed into the drilled compartment hole. No external mounting plates are needed regardless of the mounting type. However, you can use mounting brackets, such as Arcteq's sensor bracket accessory, for installation. See the [Using the sensor bracket](#) chapter for more information.

Up to three (3) sensors can be connected in series per channel, with the exception of AQ-103 which can handle only one point sensor per channel. Installing a connection cable is simple as each end of the sensor has a detachable cover over the cable connectors. Reattach the cover once the wires have been installed. See the [Wiring of point sensors](#) chapter for more information. Alternatively, you can use our point sensor connection cable which has been wired at the factory and you only need to snap the connector in place and reattach the cover; see the [Using the point sensor connection cable](#) chapter for more information.



NOTICE!

The AQ-01 point sensor does **not** come with a connection cable, which must be ordered separately. You can also order the pre-wired connection cable from Arcteq.

7.2 Arc light and pressure point sensor AQ-02

AQ-02 is an arc light and pressure point sensor that comes with arc light detection and ambient pressure detection. AQ-02 point sensor activates when both light and pressure are detected. The default light intensity threshold for an AQ-02 sensor is 8,000 lux. Depending on the demand of the application, AQ-02 can also be ordered with 25,000 lux or 50,000 lux thresholds. Its light detection radius is 180 degrees. The pressure threshold is fixed at 0.2 bar above ambient pressure.

Figure. 7.2 - 10. AQ-02 arc light and pressure point sensor.



The AQ-02 sensors should be mounted in the switchgear cubicles in such a way that the light-sensitive part covers the protected area as completely as possible. In most cases one sensor per closed metal-clad compartment is sufficient. The AQ-02 sensors **cannot** be installed in open spaces.

An AQ-02 can only be installed inside the compartment wall as not to block pressure detection located next to "the eye". The sensor is placed on the wall (with the colored side against the wall), and then fixed to the wall with two screws. No external mounting plates are needed regardless of the mounting type. However, you can use mounting brackets, such as Arcteq's sensor bracket accessory, for installation. See the [Using the sensor bracket](#) chapter for more information.

Up to three (3) sensors can be connected in series (with the exception of AQ-103 which can take only one point sensor per channel). Installing a connection cable is simple as each end of the sensor has a detachable cover over the cable connectors. Please remember to reattach the cover once the wires have been installed. See the [Wiring of point sensors](#) chapter for more information. Alternatively, you can use our point sensor connection cable which has been wired at the factory and you only need to snap the connector in place and reattach the cover; see the [Using the point sensor connection cable](#) chapter for more information.



NOTICE!

The AQ-02 point sensor does **not** come with a connection cable, which must be ordered separately. You can also order the pre-wired connection cable from Arcteq.

7.3 Sensor dependencies

Compatibility of arc sensor types depend on the hardware available in the AQ 100 series device. The table below describes those dependencies.

Table. 7.3 - 3. Sensor dependencies.

	Point sensors (AQ-01 & AQ-02)	Fiber loops (AQ-06, AQ-07 & AQ-08)
AQ-101	Yes	Order option
AQ-101D	Yes	Order option

	Point sensors (AQ-01 & AQ-02)	Fiber loops (AQ-06, AQ-07 & AQ-08)
AQ-101S	Yes	No
AQ-102	No	Yes
AQ-103	Yes	Order option
AQ-110P	Yes	Order option
AQ-110F	No	Yes

7.4 Wiring of point sensors

The arc point sensor has a three-pin terminal at both ends, enabling daisy-chain connection of multiple sensors to one channel. The pins are labeled **plus (+)**, **sensor (S)**, and **minus (-)**: their order depends on the direction the sensor is viewed from.

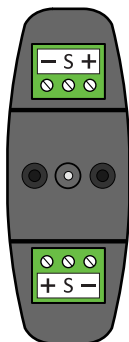


NOTICE!

In older point sensor models, the **minus (-)** terminal was marked with a **ground symbol** ($\equiv$) instead.

Both ends are identical, so the sensor can be connected in either orientation.

Figure. 7.4 - 11. Point sensor connection terminals.



1. Open the sensor covers and detach the connectors.
2. Attach the cable to the connector and to the arc protection device.
3. Reattach the connectors to the sensor.
4. Run the auto-configuration procedure. See the [System setup](#) chapter in the device manual for further details).

Figure. 7.4 - 12. Point sensor connection with a two-wire cable.

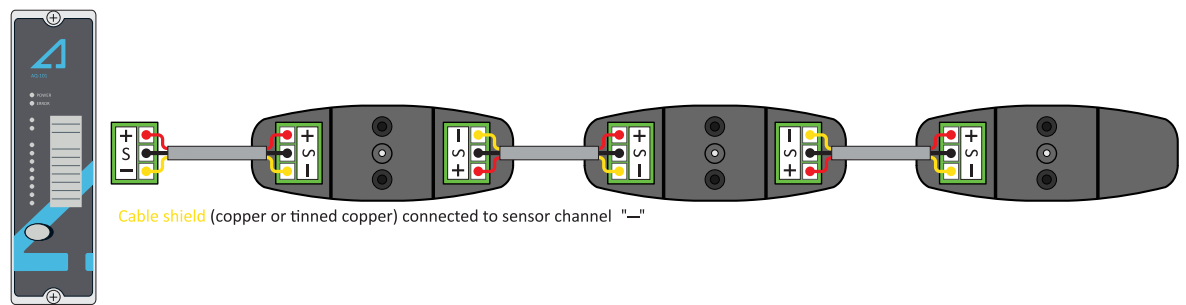
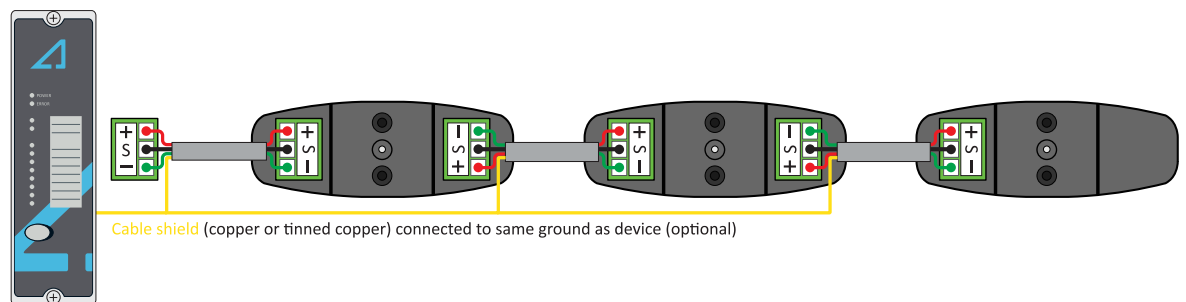


Figure. 7.4 - 13. Point sensor connection with a three-wire cable.



7.5 Using the sensor bracket



WARNING!

An AQ-01 light sensor can be installed both inside and outside the compartment wall, whereas an AQ-02 light and pressure sensor can only be installed inside the compartment wall!

Arcteq offers a plastic sensor bracket for easier installation of point sensors to compartment walls.

When using the sensor bracket, begin by situating the bracket correctly with regards to the arc-protected space. An AQ-01 light sensor can be installed both inside and outside the compartment wall: the sensor's eye can be towards the bracket (the first figure below) or facing away from the bracket (the second figure below). However, an AQ-02 light and pressure sensor can only be installed inside the compartment wall with the sensor's eye facing away from the bracket.

To install a point sensor with the sensor bracket, screw the bracket in place by the two holes on the side and then snap the point sensor in the bracket hooks.

Figure. 7.5 - 14. Installing a point sensor outside the wall, with the eye towards the bracket.

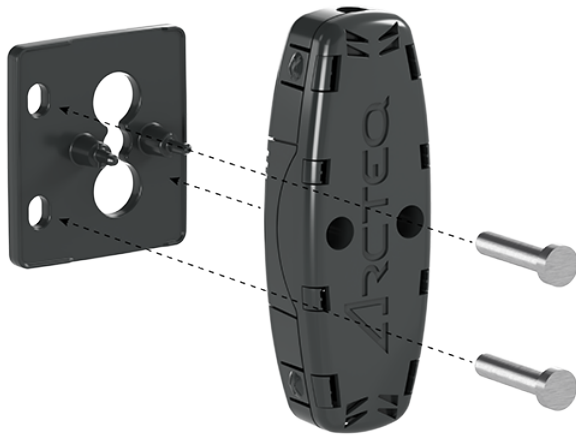
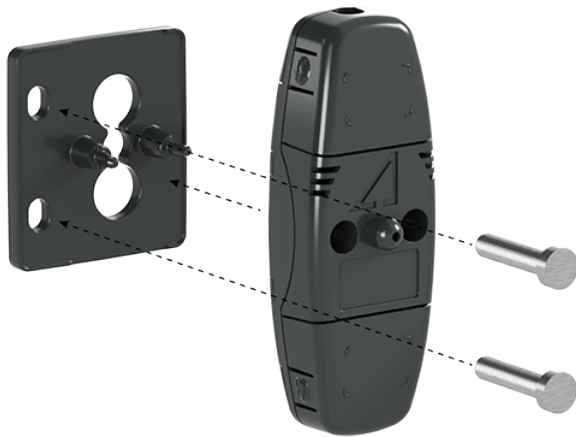


Figure. 7.5 - 15. Installing a point sensor inside the wall, with the eye facing away from the bracket.



8 Operation and configuration

8.1 DIP switch settings

Configuration of the operation logic and other functionalities are done with DIP switches. The DIP switches are located at the back of the device.

Main operation logic can be defined with "Scheme selection" DIP switches. Logic schemes are described in the [Logic schemes](#) chapter.

Tripping can be set with DIP switches to require either just arc light ("Light only" mode) or both arc light and overcurrent simultaneously ("Light and current" mode). Adding overcurrent criteria ensures the device trips when an arc fault occurs but not when a strong natural light source hits the light sensor (e.g. sunlight). Overcurrent signal comes from external devices (mainly other AQ 100 series devices) and are connected to a binary input.

If the selected scheme uses CBFP (circuit breaker failure protection) its time delay can be set with "100 ms / 150 ms" DIP switch. CBFP logic depends on the chosen logic scheme. See the [Circuit breaker failure protection](#) chapter for more information.

Figure. 8.1 - 16. DIP switch diagram.

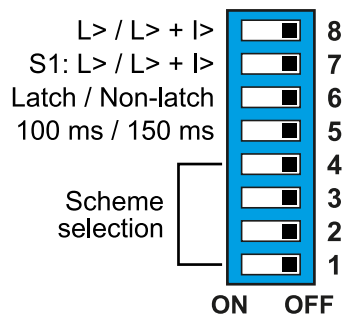


Table. 8.1 - 4. DIP switch settings.

Switch	Function selection	ON (left position)	OFF (right position)
8	The tripping criterion for the S2, S3 and S4 sensor channels.	Tripping on light only (L>).	Light detection only trips if overcurrent is also detected at the same time (L> + I>).
7	The tripping criterion for the S1 sensor channel.		
6	Enables or disables latching of T1 and T2 trip relays.	T1 and T2 operate as latching relays.	T1 and T2 latching is disabled.
5	The setting for the CBFP time.	The CBFP time is set to 100 ms.	The CBFP time is set to 150 ms.
4-1	Scheme selection. Please refer to the Logic schemes chapter.	Switch 1: 1 Switch 2: 2 Switch 3: 4 Switch 4: 8	Switch 1: 0 Switch 2: 0 Switch 3: 0 Switch 4: 0

**NOTICE!**

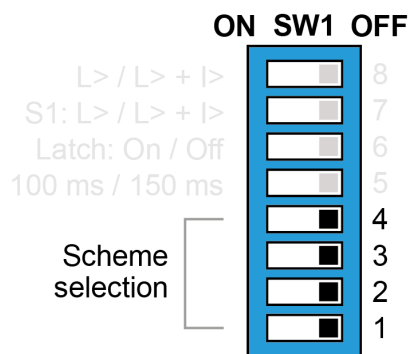
The T3 trip relays is always latching.

8.2 Logic schemes

The schemes described below are the most commonly used ones for AQ-101 devices. However, additional schemes are also available; please contact your nearest Arcteq representative for more information on those schemes. The schemes are configured using the DIP switches numbered 1...4 ("Scheme selection"). The scheme selection is based on binary arithmetic:

- Switch 1: 1
- Switch 2: 2
- Switch 3: 4
- Switch 4: 8

Figure. 8.2 - 17. DIP switches used for selecting the logic scheme.



AQ 100 series arc protection devices can be used as a stand-alone device or as a part of a more complex arc protection system with multiple AQ 100 series devices. The most convenient way to set the device to a more complex arc protection system is to use Standard Arc Schemes (SAS). For detailed instructions on each of the available Standard Arc Schemes please refer to the AQ-SAS™ booklet (can be found at arcteq.com/downloads).

8.2.1 SS:1

The logic scheme SS:1 is used for selective arc protection solutions. The point sensor channel S1 monitors the outgoing feeder cable compartment. The point sensor channel S2 monitors the corresponding outgoing feeder circuit breaker compartment. The point sensors channels S3 and S4 monitor the busbar compartment.

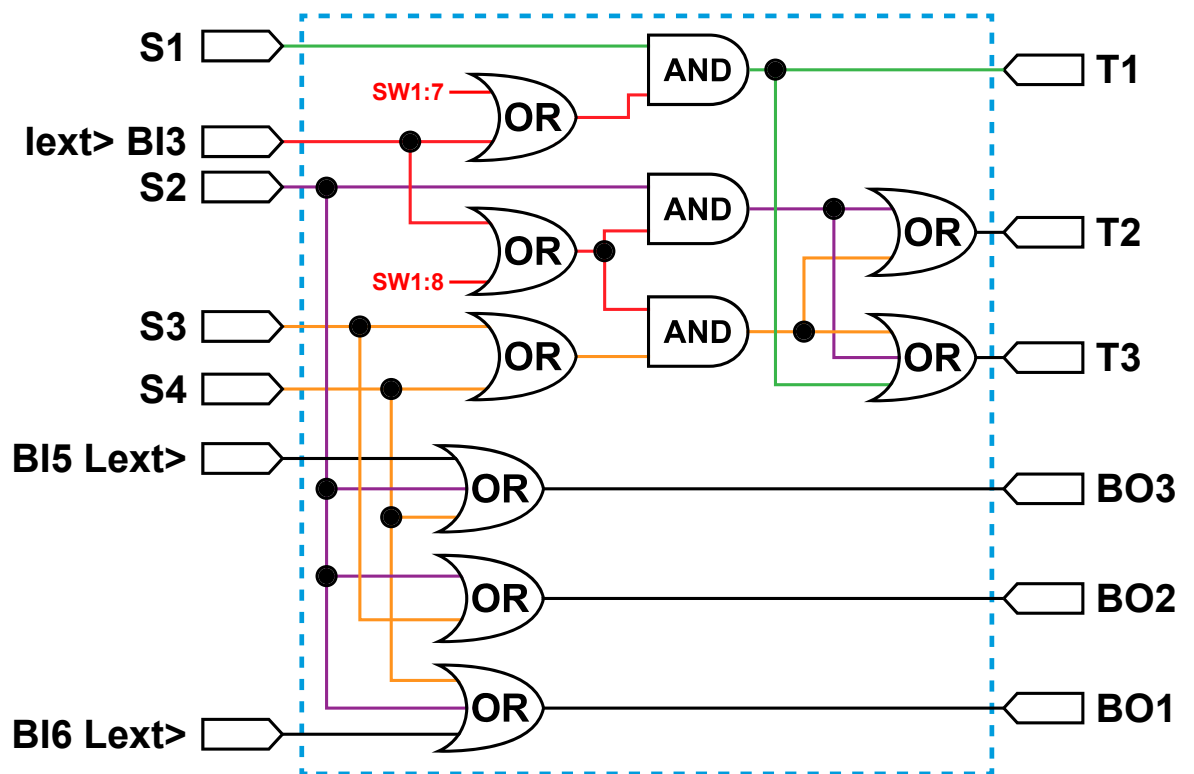
The trip contact T1 is responsible for tripping the circuit breaker of the outgoing feeder. The binary input BI3 receives overcurrent information from the incoming feeder of a connected AQ-110 device. The binary output BO1 sends light information to the incoming feeder of a connected AQ-110 device when AQ-101S detects any arc fault.

Figure. 8.2.1 - 18. Logic matrix of SS:1.

SS:1		OUTPUTS					
		T1	T2	T3	BO1	BO2	BO3
INPUTS	S1	x ¹		x ¹			
	S2		x ¹	x ¹	x	x	x
	S3		x ¹	x ¹		x	
	S4		x ¹	x ¹	x		x
	BI1						
	BI2						
	BI3 I> from Main 1						
	BI4 I> from Main 2						
	BI5 Light from Main 1						x
	BI6 Light from Main 2				x		

1. Activates only if channel has been set to light only mode or overcurrent signal (BI3 or BI4) is ON.

Figure. 8.2.1 - 19. Simplified logic diagram of SS:1.



8.2.2 SS:2

The logic scheme SS:2 is used for selective arc protection solutions. The point sensor channel S2 monitors the incoming feeder circuit breaker compartment. The point sensor channel S3 monitors the reserve busbar, while the point sensor channel S4 monitors the main busbar compartment.

The trip contact T1 is responsible for tripping the section circuit breaker. The trip contact T2 is responsible for tripping the coupler circuit breaker.

The binary inputs BI1 and BI2 are responsible for recognizing the position of the incoming feeder circuit breaker. The binary input BI3 receives overcurrent information from the incoming feeder of a connected AQ-110 device. The binary inputs BI4, BI5 and BI6 are used for sending light information from the different locations of the busbar compartment.

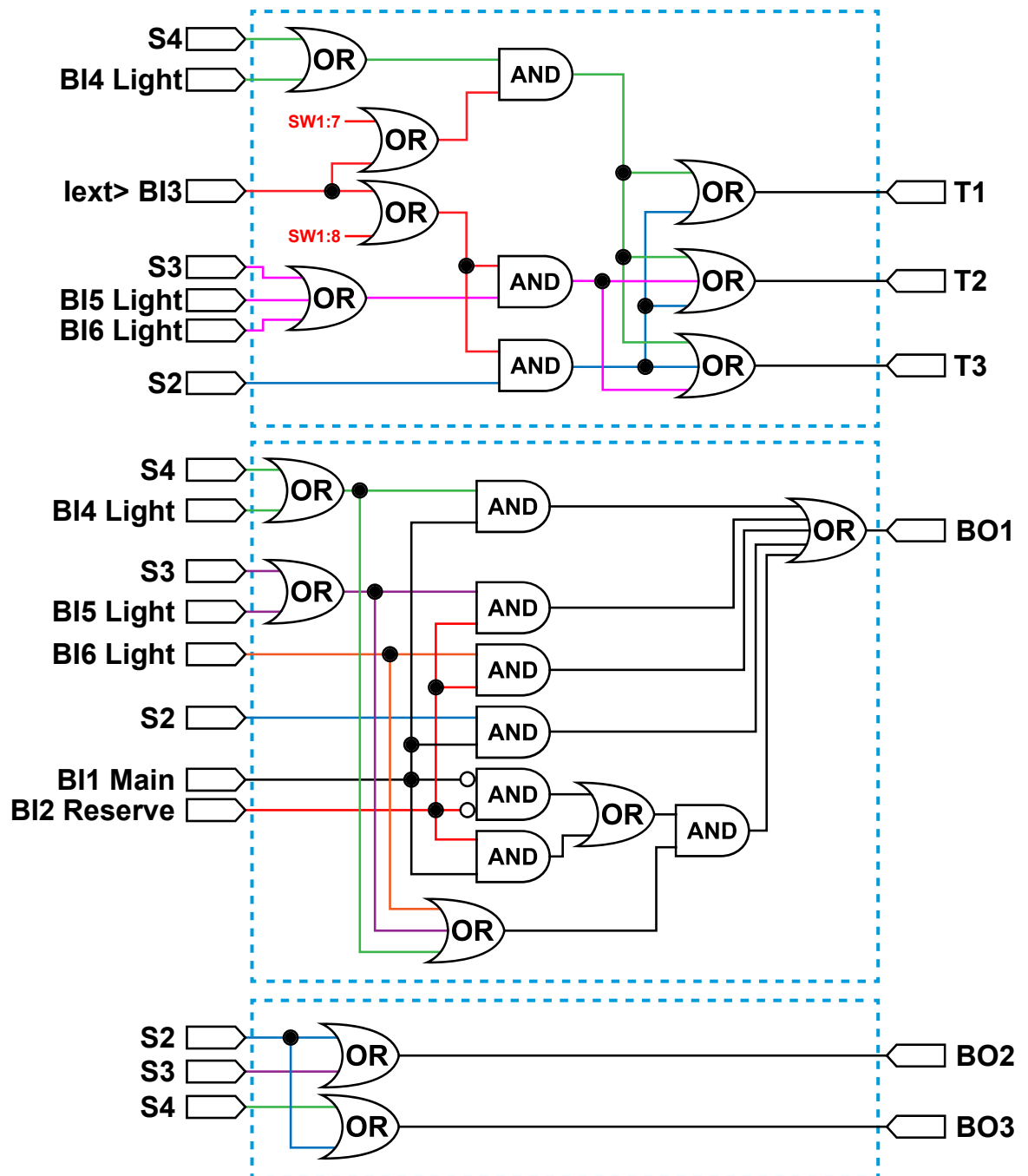
The binary outputs BO1, BO2 and BO3 send arc fault information to the incoming feeder devices and the intermediate devices.

Figure. 8.2.2 - 20. Logic matrix of SS:2.

SS:2		OUTPUTS					
		T1	T2	T3	BO1	BO2	BO3
INPUTS	S1						
	S2	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x ²	x	x
	S3		x ¹	x ¹	x ⁴	x	
	S4	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x ³		x
	BI1 Breaker to Main						
	BI2 Breaker to Reserve						
	BI3						
	BI4 Light Main	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x ³		
	BI5 Light reserve (own)		x ¹	x ¹	x ⁴		
	BI6 Light reserve (foreign)		x ¹	x ¹	x ⁴		x

1. Activates only if channel has been set to light only mode or overcurrent signal (BI3) is ON.
2. Activates only if BI1 is ON.
3. Activates only if BI1 is ON or if both BI1 and BI2 are either ON or OFF.
4. Activates only if BI2 is ON or if both BI1 and BI2 are either ON or OFF.

Figure. 8.2.2 - 21. Simplified logic diagram of SS:2.



8.2.3 SS:3

The logic scheme SS:3 is very similar to the previous scheme (SS:2). The point sensor channel S2 monitors the incoming feeder compartment. The point sensor channel S3 monitors the reserve busbar, while the point sensor channel S4 monitors the main busbar compartment.

The trip contact T1 is responsible for tripping the section circuit breaker. The trip contact T2 is responsible for tripping the coupler circuit breaker.

The binary inputs BI1 and BI2 are responsible for recognizing the position of the incoming circuit breaker. The binary input BI3 receives overcurrent information from the incoming feeder of a connected AQ-110 device. The binary inputs BI4, BI5 and BI6 are used for sending light information from the different locations of the busbar compartment.

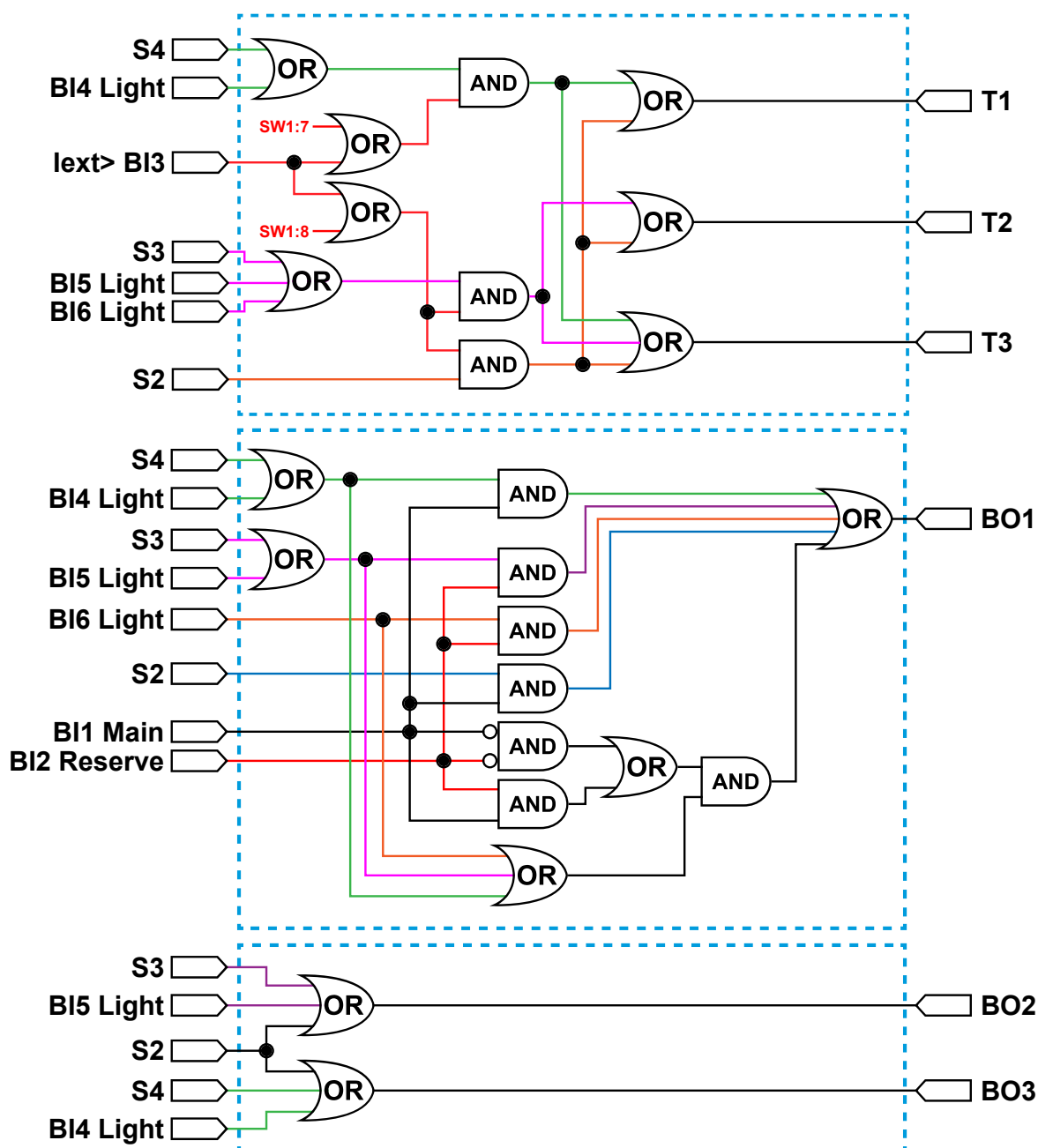
The binary outputs BO1, BO2 and BO3 send arc fault information to the incoming feeder devices and the intermediate devices.

Figure. 8.2.3 - 22. Logic matrix of SS:3.

SS:3		OUTPUTS					
		T1	T2	T3	BO1	BO2	BO3
INPUTS	S1						
	S2	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x ²	x	x
	S3		x ¹	x ¹	x ⁴	x	
	S4	x ¹		x ¹	x ³		x
	BI1 Breaker to Main						
	BI2 Breaker to Reserve						
	BI3						
	BI4 Light Main	x ¹		x ¹	x ³		x
	BI5 Reserve (own)		x ¹	x ¹	x ⁴	x	
	BI6 Reserve (foreign)		x ¹	x ¹	x ⁴		

1. Activates only if channel has been set to light only mode or overcurrent signal (BI3) is ON.
2. Activates only if BI1 is ON.
3. Activates only if BI1 is ON or if both BI1 and BI2 are either ON or OFF.
4. Activates only if BI2 is ON or if both BI1 and BI2 are either ON or OFF.

Figure. 8.2.3 - 23. Simplified logic diagram of SS:3.



8.2.4 SS:4

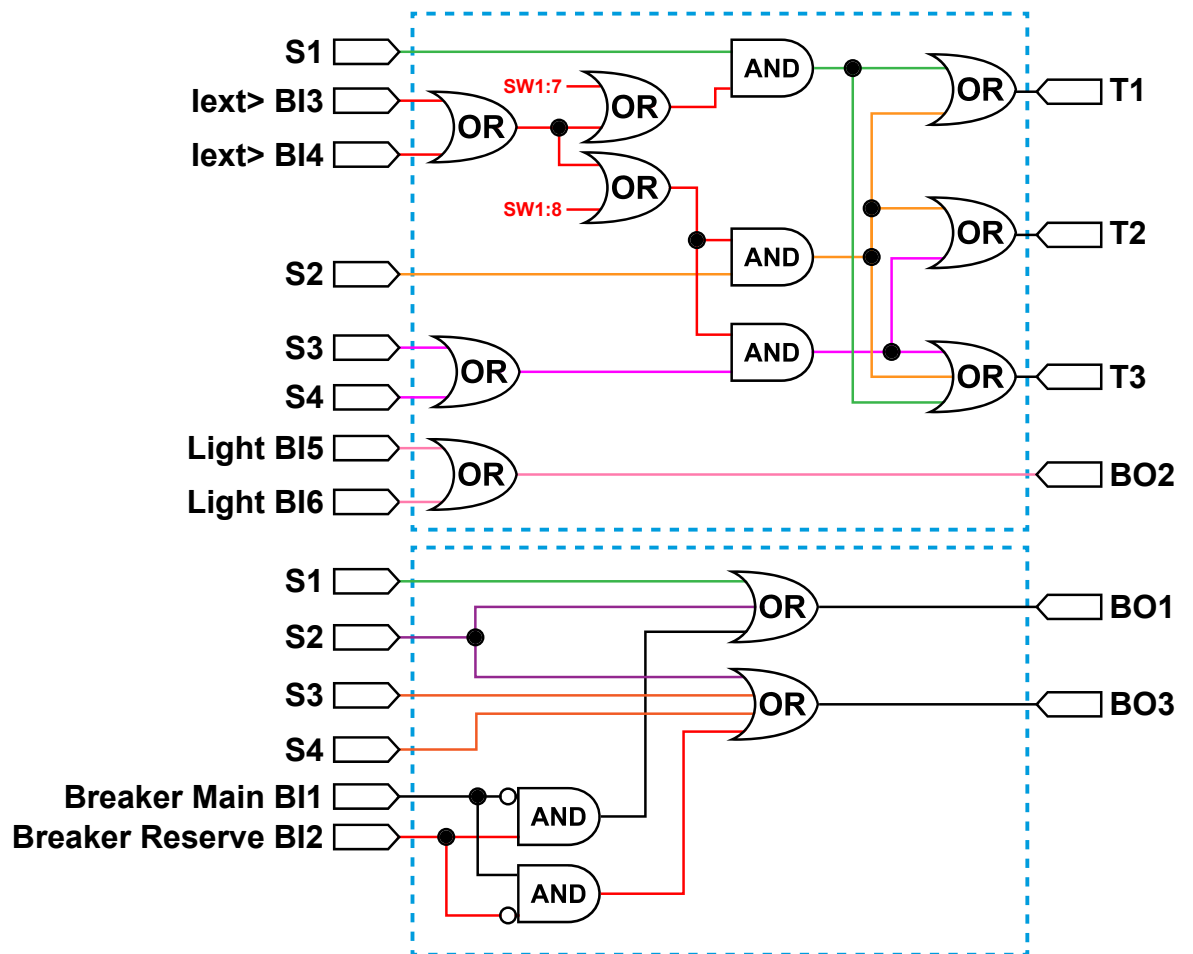
The logic scheme SS:4 is used as an intermediate device. The sensors monitor the section circuit breaker and the busbar within the section circuit breaker. The binary inputs BI3 and BI4 receive overcurrent information from two main busbar sections (BI3 from one of them, BI4 from the other). The binary outputs BO1 and BO3 represent the arc fault detected at both main busbar sections.

Figure. 8.2.4 - 24. Logic matrix of SS:4.

SS:4		OUTPUTS					
		T1	T2	T3	BO1	BO2	BO3
INPUTS	S1	x ¹		x ¹	x		
	S2	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x		x
	S3		x ¹	x ¹			x
	S4		x ¹	x ¹			x
	BI1 Breaker to Main						
	BI2 Breaker to Reserve						
	BI3 I> from Main 1						
	BI4 I> from Main 2						
	BI5 Light from Main 1					x	x ³
	BI6 Light from Main 2				x ²	x	

1. Activates only if channel has been set to light only mode or overcurrent signal (BI3 or BI4) is ON.
2. Activates only if BI1 is OFF.
3. Activates only if BI2 is OFF.

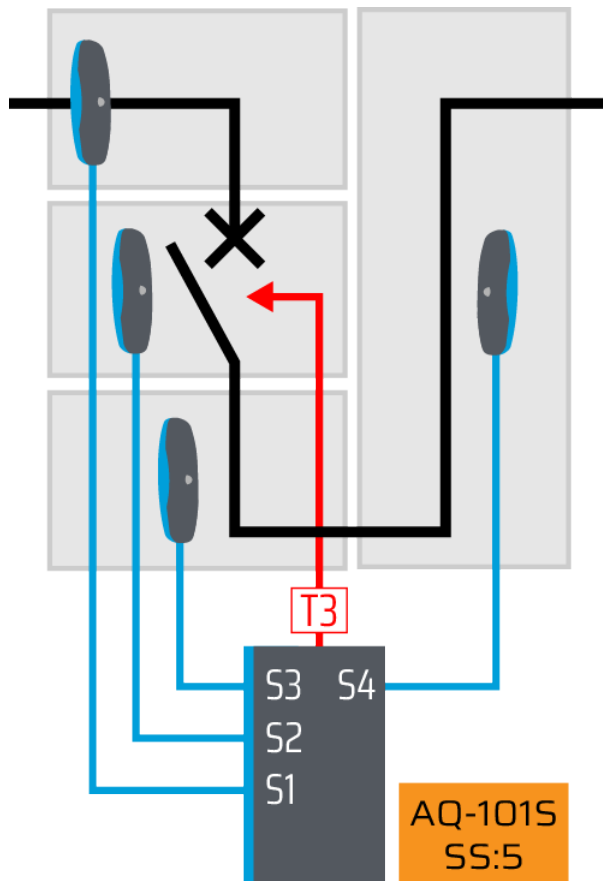
Figure. 8.2.4 - 25. Simplified logic diagram of SS:4.



8.2.5 SS:5

The logic scheme SS:5 is used for arc protection solutions with a single busbar. The sensors monitor the section circuit breaker and the busbar within the section circuit breaker.

Figure. 8.2.5 - 26. SS:5 example connection.



The binary inputs BI1 and BI2 receive the master trip (MT) signal from both of the incoming feeder AQ-110 devices. The binary inputs BI3 and BI4 receive overcurrent information from both of the incoming feeder AQ-110 devices.

The binary outputs BO1 and BO3 send any detected arc fault information from the busbar and the section circuit breaker to both of the incoming feeder AQ-110 devices.

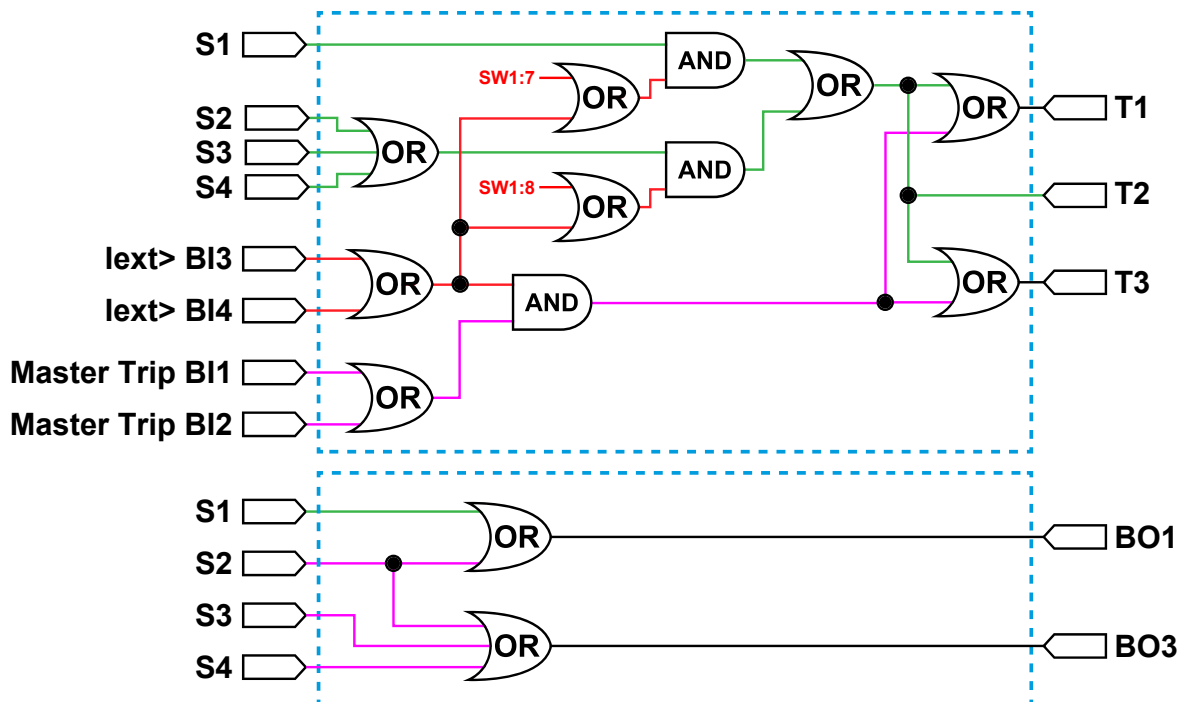
You can find a more detailed description of this scheme in the AQ-SAS™ booklet.

Figure. 8.2.5 - 27. Logic matrix of SS:5.

SS:5		OUTPUTS					
		T1	T2	T3	BO1	BO2	BO3
INPUTS	S1	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x		
	S2	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹	x		x
	S3	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹			x
	S4	x ¹	x ¹	x ¹			x
	BI1 MT Incomer 1	x ²		x ²			
	BI2 MT Incomer 2	x ²		x ²			
	BI3 I> Incomer 1						
	BI4 I> Incomer 2						
	BI5						
	BI6						

1. Activates only if channel has been set to light only mode or overcurrent signal (BI3 or BI4) is ON.
2. Activates only if overcurrent signal (BI3 or BI4) is ON.

Figure. 8.2.5 - 28. Simplified logic diagram of SS:5.



8.3 Push button (SET)

The device has one push button, SET, and it can be used for all operational functions. The push button is used for:

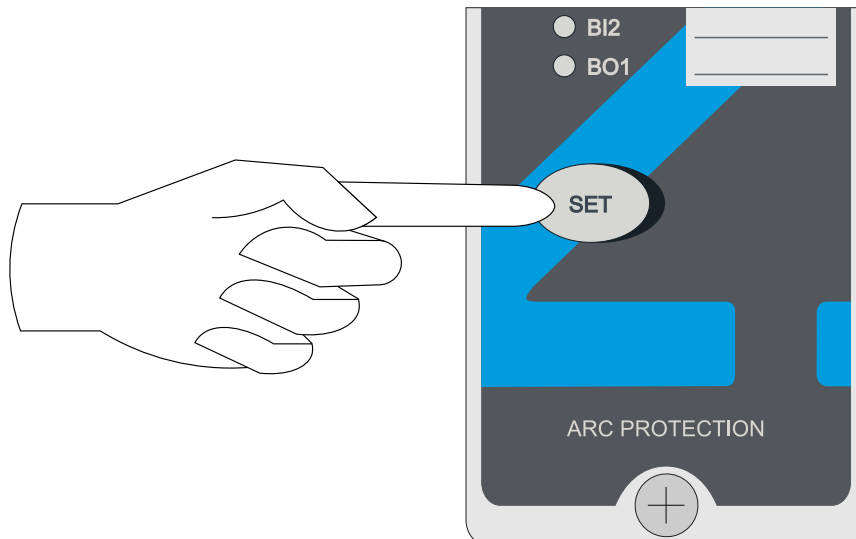
1. Setting up the system (also known as auto-configuration)
2. Resetting the indicator LEDs
3. Resetting latched outputs
4. Checking the input connections



WARNING!

Do **NOT** use force when pushing the button, as this may cause the button to lodge deep inside the chassis!

Figure. 8.3 - 29. The "SET" push button on the device's front panel.



8.3.1 System setup (auto-configuration)

After DIP switches have been set to correct position and all sensors, binary inputs and binary outputs have been connected, a system setup procedure (also known as auto-configuration) must be performed. The sequence is initialized by pressing the **SET** push button for two seconds. This causes the sensor and binary I/O LEDs to start blinking. The device scans these inputs to see if they are connected; when an input is detected, the corresponding LED lights up to indicate that a connection was found. All inputs that are not connected continue to blink for three more seconds. Then, all LEDs are turned off. Additionally, the DIP switch settings are stored in the non-volatile memory after this sequence.

If the device detects any deviation from the saved configuration, self-supervision system issues an alarm. See the [System self-supervision](#) chapter for more information.

All arc sensors are operational even when they have not been auto-configured. System setup is only used for self-supervision purposes.



NOTICE!

Please note that to reconfigure a device with fewer connections (BI or arc sensors) than in the previously memorized setup, one of the DIP switches must be moved back and forth once before the system setup procedure is carried out. You can reconfigure a device with more connections at any time without having to move one of the DIP switches.

8.3.2 Reset

All LED indications and latched trip relays can be reset by pressing the **SET** push button.

8.3.3 Input connection check

After the system setup (auto-configuration) procedure is completed, you can verify the connectivity of arc sensors and binary input channels by pressing the **SET** push button three (3) times within two (2) seconds. The LEDs of the corresponding arc sensors, binary input channels and the "Power" LED start blinking. The LEDs blink as many times as there are connected sensors and binary output channels from other devices.

8.4 Circuit breaker failure protection

The circuit breaker failure protection function is used for detecting a failure to open the circuit breaker when tripping command has been given by the arc protection relay. The CBFP function activates when the arc protection relay detects the presence of fault for a set duration (100 ms or 150 ms). In case of circuit breaker failure the arc protection relay will send a trip signal to the surrounding breakers. Please note that if the device is set to operate on both arc light and overcurrent, both conditions must persist to activate the CBFP command. The CBFP function can be set to operate either on a 100-ms or a 150-ms delay (please refer to the [DIP switch settings](#) chapter for more information). The operation logic of CBFP function depends on the chosen logic scheme (see the [Logic schemes](#) chapter for more information).

8.5 LED indicator functions

The AQ-101S device has seventeen (17) indication LEDs on the device's front panel. Apart from the "Power" and "Error" LEDs, the user can write their own identifications for each of the remaining LEDs on the text insert located in the transparent pocket next to the LEDs.

When the device is powered up, it performs an LED test. All LEDs turn on for two (2) seconds and then turn off; only the blue "Power" LED stays on.

When the device operates normally, only the blue "Power" LED is lit.

If an arc sensor is activated, its corresponding LED turns on. Activated arc sensor LEDs will stay on until user has reset them with "SET" push button.

If there is a loose sensor wire or if the self-supervision function detects a configuration mismatch (that is, a new sensor has been attached but the auto-configuration system setup has not been run), the corresponding LED starts flashing and the "Error" LED activates.

The binary I/O LEDs indicate the status of the input and output lines. If any of the lines become active, the corresponding LED turns on. All light channel and trip indication LEDs are latched, even if the DIP switch settings are in the non-latched mode.

All LED indications are stored in the non-volatile memory (EPROM) to help identify the necessary trip information even after auxiliary power is lost. When the device is re-powered after a power supply loss, the front panel shows the status of all LEDs.

You can clear the LEDs by pushing the **SET** button.

8.6 LED operations guide

Table. 8.6 - 5. LED operations of AQ-101S.

LED name (color)	Light off	Steady light	Blinking light	Action if abnormal
POWER (blue)	The auxiliary power supply is disconnected.	The auxiliary power supply is connected.	(N/A)	Check the power supply.
ERROR (red)	The system is healthy.	A system failure has occurred.	A configuration mismatch has been detected. Protection is partially operational.	Verify the system condition (see the System self-supervision and Troubleshooting chapters).
T1–T3 (red)	Normal status.	The trip relay has activated.	(N/A)	Check what caused the trip, clear the fault and reset the indicator LEDs with the push button.
BI1–BI6 (amber)	Normal status.	The binary input has been activated.	The binary input has a loose connection.	Check the binary input wiring.
BO1–BO3 (amber)	Normal status.	The binary output has been activated.	(N/A)	—
S1–S4 (amber)	Normal status.	Light information has activated the sensor channel.	There is a loose connection or a system setup has not been performed.	Check the sensor wire connection or perform a system setup (see the System setup chapter); or , check what activated the sensor.

8.7 Non-volatile memory

All critical system data (such as DIP switch settings and the system setup file) are stored in the non-volatile memory (EPROM) to ensure accurate operation and full self-supervision even if auxiliary power is lost temporarily.

Additionally, all LED indications are stored in the non-volatile memory to provide a quick recovery of the system status indication. This feature is especially important if tripping causes the device to lose its auxiliary power.

The non-volatile memory does not require a power supply to maintain the information and it retains the settings and the indications permanently without power.

9 System self-supervision

AQ 100 series devices have an extensive self-supervision function, including both internal functions and external connections. The self-supervision function monitors the following:

- power supply
- hardware
- software
- binary input connection(s)
- sensor connection(s)
- DIP switch settings

When the device's condition is healthy and is powered on, the "Power" LED is lit and the system failure (SF) relay is energized. If the self-supervision function detects a faulty condition or if the power supply fails, the SF relay is released and the "Error" LED becomes lit.

Point sensor connection monitoring

If a point sensor failure occurs, the device will go into Error mode. The "Error" LED turns on, the SF relay releases, and the LED of the corresponding faulty sensor channel starts blinking. In this situation the device is still operational, although the faulty sensor channel is blocked. If the error is resolved, the device automatically energizes the SF relay and turns off the "Error" LED and the blinking sensor channel LED. If one or more of the sensors are disconnected, the healthy sensors remain in use and the device remains operational accordingly. However, the device remains in Error mode until the sensors are connected again.

Binary input connection monitoring

During system setup (auto-configuration) AQ 100 series device checks how many AQ 100 device binary outputs or high-speed outputs have been connected to binary inputs. Each AQ 100 series device binary output and high-speed output constantly sends a short pulse every second which the receiving binary input uses to count the number of connected devices. If any of the outputs are disconnected after the system setup, the binary input will detect the mismatch and the device will go into Error mode and the binary input LED will blink. If the error is resolved, the device automatically clears the system failure status, energizing the SF relay and turning off the "Error" LED.

DIP switch setting monitoring

The device goes into Error mode, if a DIP switch setting is changed after the system setup procedure has been performed. However, the configured (stored) settings are still valid and the device is still operational.

10 Dimensions and installation

The device can be either door-mounted or panel-mounted in a standard 19 inch rack. The device's dimensions (without connectors) are as follows:

- Height: 177 mm (6.97 in)
- Width: 51 mm (2.00 in)
- Depth: 168 mm (6.61 in).

The figure below presents the dimension of the device visually. It also shows the dimensions of the cut-out (bottom-left) required when mounting the device on a panel.

Figure. 10 - 30. Dimensions of the device and its cut-out panel.

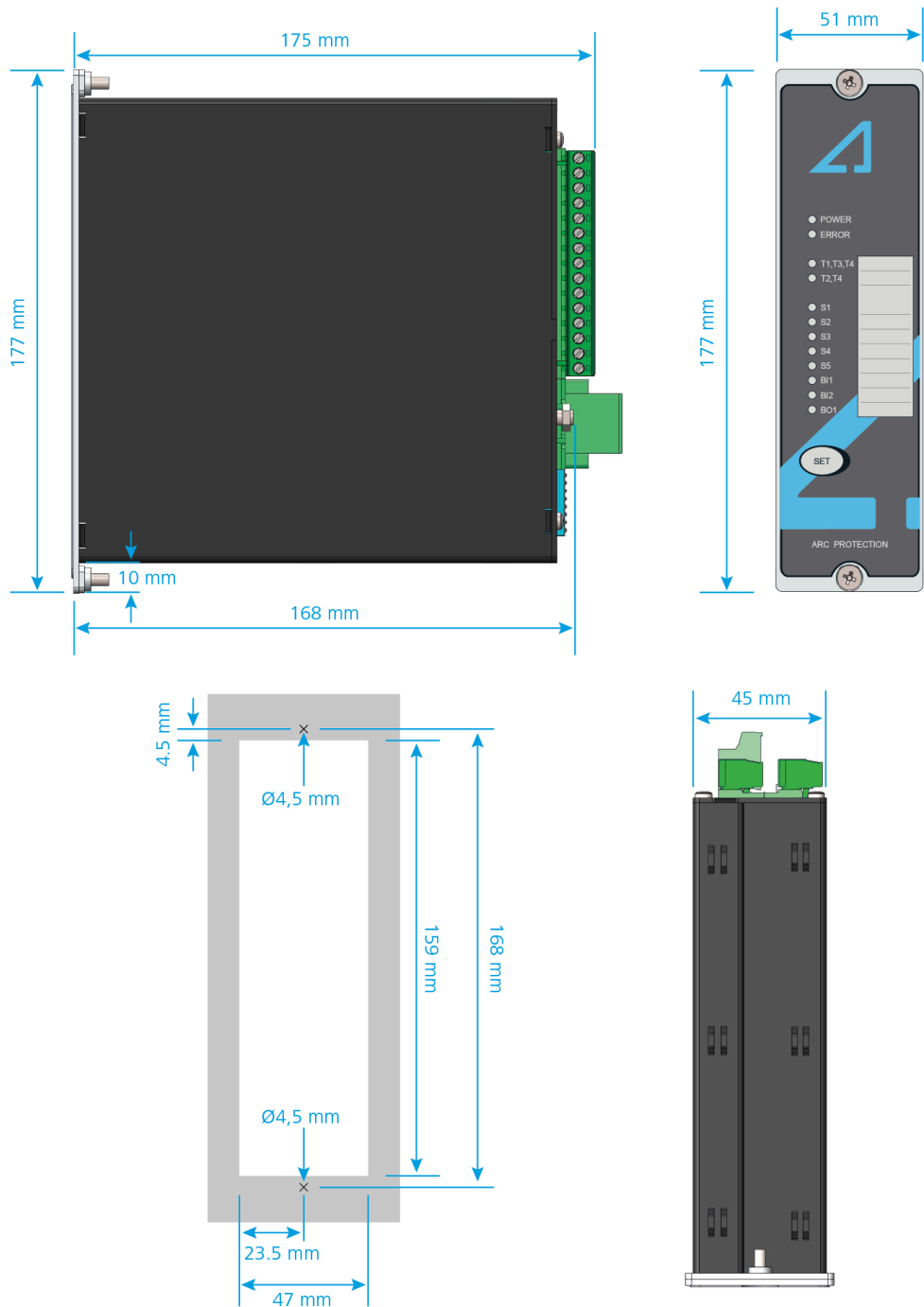
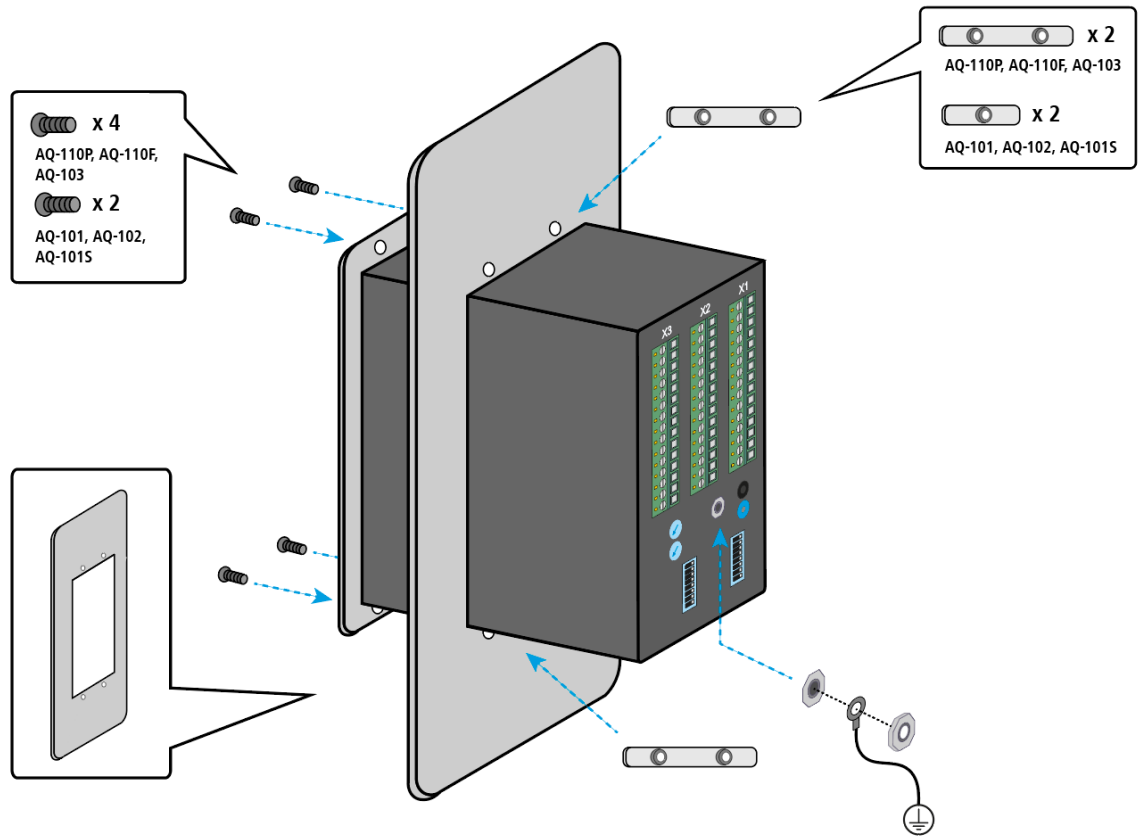


Figure. 10 - 31. Installing a AQ-100 series device to a door.



Point sensors

Figure. 10 - 32. Dimensions of arc flash sensors.

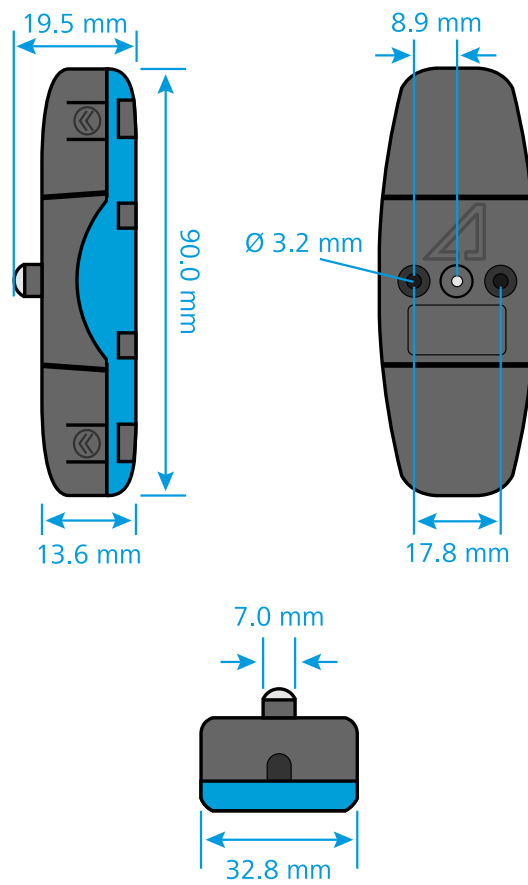


Figure. 10 - 33. Dimensions of the Arcteq sensor bracket.

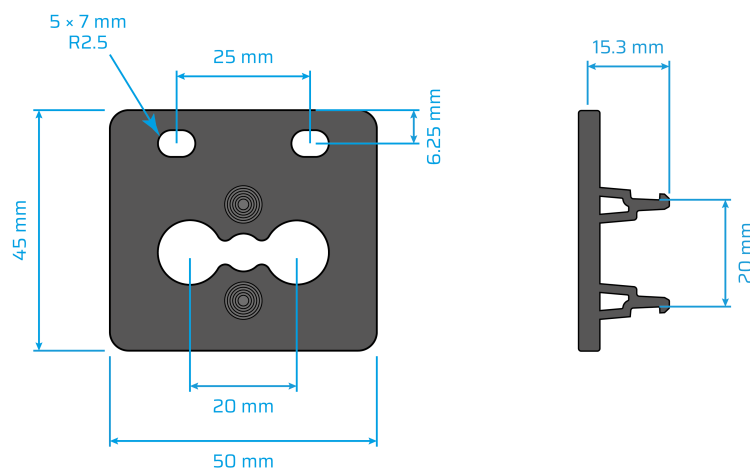
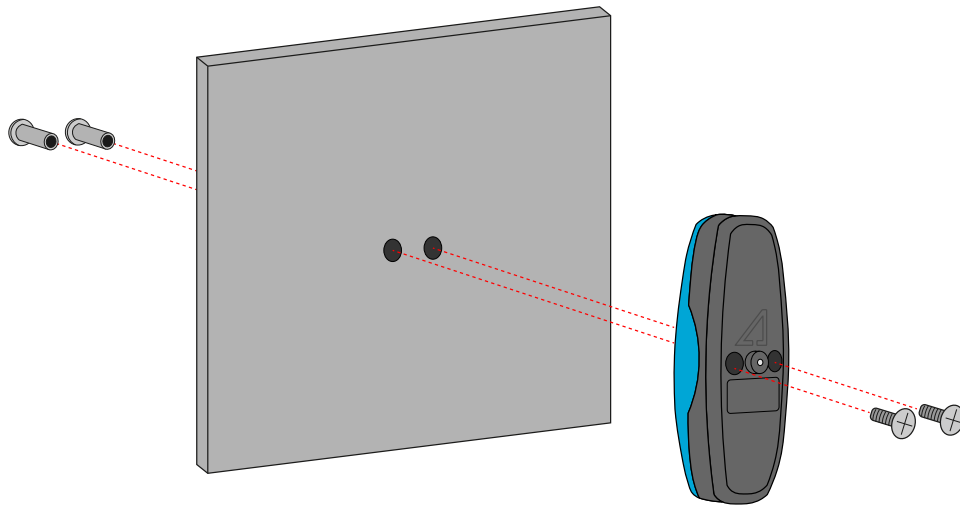


Figure. 10 - 34. Installing an arc flash sensor.



NOTICE!

Although the image above depicts the installation of an AQ-01 point sensor, please note that an AQ-02 pressure and point sensor is installed in the same way.

11 Testing

It is recommended that the device is tested prior to substation energizing. Testing is carried out by simulating an arc light for each sensor and verifying that the correct trip contact(s) tripped and that the correct indicator LED(s) turned on.

Any strong camera flash works well to simulate arc light. Please note that small LED lights like smartphone flashes are not strong enough to activate a point sensor or a fiber loop. Having a self-timer helps with the testing process because it can be connected to the test kit. Any strong flashlight works to test non-latched signals and the CBFP function. Before testing please check that the equipment used has a fully charged battery.

11.1 Testing the light-only mode

1. Check that the DIP switch settings are positioned according to your application.
2. Activate the camera flash within 30 cm (12 inches) of the sensor that is being tested.
3. Verify that the indicator LED of the corresponding sensor channel is lit.
4. Verify the activation(s) of the trip relay(s) by checking the circuit breaker's status, or by monitoring the trip contact's status. The circuit breaker should open, or the contacts operate. Please note that you achieve the best test results when you operate the circuit breaker while testing.
5. Verify that the indicator LED(s) of the corresponding trip relay(s) is lit.
6. If you are using any or all of the binary outputs (BO1, BO2, BO3), verify the signal activation(s) either through the status change of the relevant input, or by measuring the signal output voltage. Please note that binary outputs are of the non-latched type.
7. If you are using any or all of the binary outputs, also verify that each of the corresponding indicator LEDs are lit.
8. Press the **SET** push button to reset all indications and latches.
9. If you are using a binary input as the master trip, activate it and verify that the trip has occurred by repeating the steps 4 and 5.
10. Press the **SET** push button to reset all indications and latches.
11. Repeat the steps 1 through 10 for all sensors.

11.2 Testing the light and current mode

1. Check that the DIP switch settings are positioned according to your application.
2. Activate the following two things simultaneously: the camera flash within 30 cm (12 inches) of the sensor that is being tested, and the binary input used for the overcurrent condition ($I >$).
3. Verify that the indicator LED of the corresponding sensor channel is lit.
4. Verify that the indicator LED of the binary input is lit.
5. Verify the activation(s) of the trip relay(s) by checking the circuit breaker's status, or by monitoring the trip contact's status. The circuit breaker should open, or the contacts operate. Please note that you achieve the best test results when you operate the circuit breaker while testing.
6. Verify that the indicator LED(s) of the corresponding trip relay(s) is lit.
7. If you are using any or all of the binary outputs (BO1, BO2, BO3), verify the signal activation either through the status change of the relevant input, or by measuring the signal output voltage.
8. If you are using any or all of the binary outputs, also verify that the corresponding LEDs are lit.
9. If the DIP switches 7 and 8 are both set to the light-only mode, activate the camera flash within 20 cm (12 inches) from the sensor but do not activate the binary input used for the overcurrent condition ($I >$).
10. Verify that no trip has occurred and only the indicator LED of the sensor activation is lit.
11. If you are using the binary output signal and have configured it to send light information, verify that it is activated.
12. Press the **SET** push button to reset all indications and latches.

13. If you are using a binary input as the master trip, activate it and verify that the trip has occurred by repeating the steps 5 and 6.
14. Press the **SET** push button to reset all indications and latches.
15. Repeat the steps 1 through 12 for all sensors.

11.3 Testing the CBFP function

The circuit breaker failure protection (CBFP) function is tested by taking the light signal and the additional trip criterion signal (if applicable) and leaving them active for longer than the set CBFP time (that is, 100 or 150 ms). Check that the correct outputs activated after the set delay time.

11.4 Testing the operation time

An operation time test is not required at commissioning as it is performed by the manufacturer both as a type test and as a routine production test. If you want to have more information of these tests, please refer to the routine test reports sent with the AQ-101S device and/or consult your nearest Arcteq representative for the type test reports.

However, if it is deemed necessary, you can conduct an on-site timing test with the following instructions.

1. Use a calibrated relay test set.
2. Connect one of the test set's outputs to a strong camera flash to initialize the flash and to configure the set's timer to start simultaneously with the flash.
3. Connect one of the AQ-101S device's trip outputs (T1, T2, T3) to a test set input and configure the input to stop the timer.
4. Place the camera flash within 30 cm (12 inches) of the sensor.
5. Initiate the flash and the timer by using the test set output.
6. Read the measured time between the simulated arc light and the operation of the trip contact.
7. Subtract the digital input delay of the test set from the final measured time (if applicable). For specific test instructions, please consult the manufacturer of the relay test set.

11.5 Test plan example

Basic data	
Date:	
Substation:	
Switchgear:	
Serial number:	



Preconditions		Additional notes
Trip mode (channel 1):	☐ L> ☐ L> + I>	
Trip mode (channels 2, 3, 4):	☐ L> ☐ L> + I>	
CBFP in use:	☐ Yes ☐ No	
CBFP time setting:	☐ 100 ms ☐ 150 ms	

Object activated	LED active	T1, T2, T3 active	BO1 active	BO2 active	BO3 active	Additional notes
Sensor channel 1	S1					
	S2					
	S3					
Sensor channel 2	S1					
	S2					
	S3					
Sensor channel 3	S1					
	S2					
	S3					
Sensor channel 4	S1					
	S2					
	S3					
Binary inputs	BI1					
	BI2					
	BI3					
	BI4					
	BI5					
	BI6					

Involved personnel	
Tested by:	
Approved by:	

12 Troubleshooting

Table. 12 - 6. Troubleshooting guide for AQ-101 variants.

Problem	Possible solution(s)
The sensor does not activate during testing.	Check the sensor's cable wiring. <u>or</u> Check the testing equipment, especially the camera flash intensity (see the Testing chapter for more information).
The trip relay does not operate even when the sensor is activated.	Tripping might require overcurrent signal simultaneously with light signal. Check the DIP switch settings (see the DIP switch settings chapter for more information).

13 Technical data

13.1 Mounting and installation

Table. 13.1 - 7. Technical data for relay mounting and installation.

Panel	
Material	metal
Thickness (min...max)	1.0...5.0 mm (0.04...0.20 in)
Panel mounting	
Screw type	ISO 14581 M4x12, galvanized
Key size	Torx T20
Tightening torque (min...max)	1.5...2.0 N·m (13.3...17.7 lbf·in)
Grounding	
Nut type	DIN934-M5 galvanized
Key size	8
Tightening torque (min...max)	2.5...3.0 N·m (22.1...26.6 lbf·in)

Table. 13.1 - 8. Connector technical data (AQ-101S).

Connectors X1 and X2	
Wire cross section (min...max)	0.2...2.5 mm ² (24...13 AWG)
Minimum stripping length	7 mm (0.28 in)
Screw tightening torque (min...max)	0.5...0.6 N·m (4.4...5.3 lbf·in)
Connector X3	
Wire cross section (min...max)	0.2...1.5 mm ² (24...16 AWG)
Minimum stripping length	10 mm (0.39 in)

13.2 Operating times

Table. 13.2 - 9. Technical data for relay operating times.

Trip relay operation delay	7 ms*
Reset time (arc light stage)	2 ms

*) The total trip time when using both the arc light (L>) or phase/residual overcurrent (I>) from an AQ-110 device and the arc light (L>) from this device.

13.3 Auxiliary voltage

Table. 13.3 - 10. Technical data for the relay auxiliary voltage (Uaux).

Auxiliary power supply	92...265 V AC/DC 18...72 V DC (optional)
Maximum power consumption	5 W, < 10 mΩ
Standby current	90 mA
Start-up inrush current	<150 ms (110 V DC) <600 ms (24 V DC)

13.4 Binary inputs

Table. 13.4 - 11. Technical data for the binary inputs (BI1, BI2, BI3, BI4, BI5, BI6).

Nominal voltage	24 V DC
Threshold: - pick-up - drop-off	Approximately 16 V DC Approximately 15 V DC
Rated current	3 mA
Number of inputs	6

13.5 Trip relays

Table. 13.5 - 12. Technical data for the trip relays (T1, T2, T3).

Number of trip relays	3 NO
Voltage withstand	250 V AC/DC
Carry: - continuous carry - make-and-carry for 3 s - make-and-carry for 0.5 s	5 A 16 A 30 A
Breaking capacity DC*	40 W (0.36 A at 110 V DC)
Contact material	AgNi 90/10

*) When the time constant L/R = 40 ms.

13.6 Binary output(s)

Table. 13.6 - 13. Technical data for the binary outputs (BO1, BO2, BO3).

Number of outputs	3
Rated voltage	+24 V DC (internal power supply)

Rated current (max.)	20 mA
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13.7 System failure relay

Table. 13.7 - 14. Technical data for the system failure relay (SF).

Number of SF relays	1
Rated voltage	250 V AC/DC
Carry: - continuous carry - make-and-carry for 3 s - make-and-carry for 0.5 s	5 A 16 A 30 A
Breaking capacity DC*	40 W (0.36 A at 110 V DC)
Contact material	AgNi 90/10

*) When the time constant L/R = 40 ms.

13.8 Point sensors

AQ-01 point sensor

Table. 13.8 - 15. Technical data for the AQ-01 light point sensor.

Light intensity threshold	8,000 lux 25,000 lux 50,000 lux
Detection radius	180°
Mechanical protection	IP 20
Sensor cable specification	Shielded twisted pair 0.75 mm ² (AWG: 18)
Maximum sensor cable length (per channel)	200 m
Operating temperature	-20...+85 °C

AQ-02 point sensor

Table. 13.8 - 16. Technical data for the AQ-02 light and pressure point sensor.

Light intensity threshold	8,000 lux 25,000 lux 50,000 lux
Pressure threshold (fixed)	0.2 bar above ambient pressure
Pressure measuring accuracy	±1.8 % (of full scale)
Detection radius	180°

Mechanical protection	IP 20
Sensor cable specification	Shielded twisted pair 0.75 mm ² (AWG: 18)
Maximum sensor cable length (per channel)	200 m
Operating temperature	-20...+85 °C

13.9 Disturbance tests

Table. 13.9 - 17. Technical data for the disturbance tests.

Electromagnetic compatibility test	CE-approved and tested according to EN 50081-2 and EN 50082-2
Conducted emission (EN 55011, class A)	0.15...30.00 Hz
Radiated emission (EN 55011, class A)	30.00...1,000.00 MHz
Electrostatic discharge immunity (IEC 244-222 and EN 61000-4-2, level 4)	Air discharge: 15 kV Contact discharge: 8 kV
Electrical fast transients (EN 61000-4-4, class III & IEC 801-4, level 4)	Power supply input: 4 kV, 5/50 ns Other inputs and outputs: 4 kV, 5/50 ns
Surge immunity (EN 61000-4-5, level 4)	Between wires: 2 kV, 1.2/50 µs Between wire and earth: 4 kV, 1.2/50 µs
RF electromagnetic field (EN 61000-4-3, level 3)	f = 80...1,000 MHz, 10 V/m
Conducted RF field (EN 61000-4-6, level 3)	f = 150 kHz...80 MHz, 10 V/m

13.10 Voltage tests

Table. 13.10 - 18. Technical data for the voltage tests.

Insulation test voltage (IEC 60255-5)	2 kV, 50 Hz, 1 min
Impulse test voltage (IEC 60255-5)	5 kV, 1.2/50 µs, 0.5 J

13.11 Mechanical tests

Table. 13.11 - 19. Technical data for the mechanical tests.

Vibration test	2...13.2 Hz (± 3.5 mm) 13.2...100 Hz (±1.0 g)
Shock/bump test (IEC 60255-21-2)	20 g and 1,000 bumps/dir.

13.12 Environmental conditions

Table. 13.12 - 20. Technical data for the environmental conditions.

Specified ambient service temperature	−35...+70 °C
Transportation and storage temperature	−40...+70 °C
Relative humidity	Up to 97 %
Altitude	Up to 2,000 m above sea level

13.13 Casing

Table. 13.13 - 21. Technical data for the device casing.

Protection: - front - back	IP 50 IP 20
Device dimensions (W × H × D)	50 × 157 × 160 mm
Weight	0.7 kg

14 Ordering information

AQ-101S point sensor device

AQ-101S - X A A A

Auxiliary power supply

- A 92...265 V AC/DC
- B 18...72 V DC

T2 trip relay setting

- A Normally open (NO)

Additional sensor channel (S5)

- A None

Binary input threshold voltage

- A 24 V DC

AQ-0x point sensors

AQ - 0 X X

Sensor function

- 1 Light point sensor
- 2 Light and pressure point sensor

Light activation level

- A 8,000 lx
- B 25,000 lx
- C 50,000 lx

Accessories

Order code	Description	Note	Manufacturer
AX006	Wall mounting bracket	For AQ-103 and AQ-110x variants (MV and LV).	Arcteq Relays Ltd.
AX016	Wall mounting bracket	For AQ-101, AQ-101S and AQ-102 devices (MV and LV).	Arcteq Relays Ltd.
AX033	Sensor bracket	For point sensors (AQ-01 and AQ-02).	Arcteq Relays Ltd.

Order code	Description	Note	Manufacturer
• AX029-3 • AX029-7 • AX029-14	Point sensor connecting cable	The final part (-3/-7/-14) of the code determines the length of the cable: 3 meters, 7 meters, or 14 meters, respectively.	Arcteq Relays Ltd.

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