600 A 15/25 kV class BOL-T™ and separable splice connector assembly installation instructions
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• Is thoroughly familiar with these instructions.
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This manual may contain four types of hazard statements:

**DANGER**

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

**WARNING**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

**CAUTION**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

**CAUTION:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in equipment damage only.

Safety instructions

Following are general caution and warning statements that apply to this equipment. Additional statements, related to specific tasks and procedures, are located throughout the manual.

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**DANGER**

Hazardous voltage. Contact with hazardous voltage will cause death or severe personal injury. Follow all locally approved safety procedures when working around high- and low-voltage lines and equipment.

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**WARNING**

Before installing, operating, maintaining, or testing this equipment, carefully read and understand the contents of this manual. Improper operation, handling or maintenance can result in death, severe personal injury, and equipment damage.

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**WARNING**

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**Product information**

**Introduction**
Eaton terminates high-voltage underground cable to deadfront apparatus such as transformers, switches, and switchgear with its Cooper Power™ series 600 A 15/25 kV Class BOL-T™ deadbreak connectors. They are fully shielded, submersible, and meet the requirements of IEEE Std 386™-2006 standard – “Separable Insulated Connector Systems.” 600 A deadbreak connectors from Eaton are fully interchangeable with all other manufacturers that also certify compliance with IEEE Std 386™-2006 standard. The BOL-T connector is rated for 900 A when used with all copper current carrying components.

**Read this manual first**
Read and understand the contents of this manual and follow all locally approved procedures and safety practices before installing or operating this equipment.

**Additional information**
These instructions cannot cover all details or variations in the equipment, procedures, or process described nor provide directions for meeting every possible contingency during installation, operation, or maintenance. For additional information, contact your representative.

**Acceptance and initial inspection**
Each BOL-T connector is in good condition when accepted by the carrier for shipment. Upon receipt, inspect the shipping container for signs of damage. Unpack the BOL-T connector and inspect it thoroughly for damage incurred during shipment. If damage is discovered, file a claim with the carrier immediately.

**Handling and storage**
Be careful during handling and storage of the BOL-T connector to minimize the possibility of damage. If the BOL-T connector is to be stored for any length of time prior to installation, provide a clean, dry storage area.

**Standards**
ISO 9001 Certified Quality Management System
Note: If concentric neutral cable is not being used, follow cable preparation directions in shield adapter kit.

Equipment provided

- BOLT Connector Assembly Kit includes:
  - T-body
  - Cable Adapter
  - Insulating Plug with Cap
  - Shear Bolt Connector
  - Silicone Lubricant
  - Instruction Sheet
  - Threaded Stud

Tools required

- Torque Wrench
- 5/16" Hex Wrench for Splice Application
- Cable Stripping Tools
- 5 mm or 8 mm Allen Wrench

Installation of connectors

Shear bolt installation procedures
(For compression connector procedures, see page 7)

Prepare the cable

Step 1.
Train cable

- Position cable vertically so that it is centered between apparatus bushing and parking pocket, parallel to, and 6" (152 mm) from apparatus frontplate.
- Provide adequate cable slack for cable movement between standoff bushing and apparatus bushing.
- Support cable as needed to maintain position.
- Cut cable to length “A” from centerline of bushing. (Refer to Figure 3 and Table 2 for “A” length.

![Figure 3. Line illustration for cable training.](image)

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![Figure 2. Strip back dimensions.](image)

Figure 2. Strip back dimensions.
### Table 1. Shear Bolt Connector

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Step 2.

Remove concentric neutral wires or jacket

Note: Care should be taken to not cut or score the neutral conductors when cutting the cable jacket.

- Measure reference length ‘B’ from end of cable. (Refer to Figure 4 and Table 2 to determine variable ‘B’ length.
  - For jacketed neutral cable, remove jacket to “B” dimension.
  - For unjacketed neutral cable, bind neutral wires using three (3) wraps of tape at “B” dimension.
- Pull back concentric neutral wires. Allow enough extra concentric neutral wires to connect to ground after installation and allow movement to insulated standoff bushing.

Step 3.

Remove insulation shield

- Remove insulation shield length “C” from end of cable. (Refer to Figure 5 and Table 2 to determine variable “C” length.)

Note: Do not cut or nick insulation.

Step 4.

Put tape marker in place

- Measure 1’ (25 mm) from end of insulation shield. (Refer to Figure 5.)
- Wrap two turns of tape to serve as marker for cable adapter location.

Step 5.

Remove conductor insulation

Note: Do not pencil cable.

- Remove insulation exposing bare conductor to length of ‘D’. (Refer to Figure 6 and Table 2 to determine variable ‘D’ length.)

Note: Do not unwind conductor strands.

Step 6.

Bevel insulation

- Remove sharp edge of insulation by beveling at a 45° angle for approximately .25” (6 mm). (Refer to Figure 7.)

Figure 4. Line illustration of removing concentric neutral wires.

Figure 5. Line illustration of cable stripback.

Figure 6. Line illustration of bare conductor length.

Figure 7. Line illustration of insulation bevel.
Step 7.

Clean insulation

Note: Do not apply solvent directly to cable.

- Clean insulation thoroughly with solvent dampened rag, wiping from conductor end toward insulation shield. (Refer to Figure 8.)
- Ensure that all traces of conductive residue are removed.

![Figure 8. Line illustration of insulation cleaning.](image)

Step 8.

Lubricate and install cable adapter

- Lubricate exposed cable insulation.
- Lubricate inside of cable adapter.
- Slide small end of cable adapter over cable using twisting motion until small end is flush with tape marker. (Refer to Figure 9.)
- After sliding the cable adapter into position make sure that no bulge is present (see Figure 10).

![Figure 9. Line illustration of insulation cable adapter.](image)

![Figure 10. Cross sectional view of cable adapter positioning.](image)

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**WARNING**

Equipment Damage/Personal Injury. Improperly positioned cable adapter may result in equipment damage or personal injury.
Step 9.
Install shear bolt connector

Note: Refer to the separate installation instructions supplied with the shear bolt connector.

- Install centering ring.
  - Refer to Figure 11 and Table 1 to determine what size conductors require a centering ring and the correct color to use.
- Wire brush conductor (aluminum only).
- Immediately insert the conductor completely into the barrel of the lug and rotate connector to distribute inhibitor.
- Align flats of connector and apparatus bushing for minimum conductor strain.

![Figure 11. Mechanical lug tightening sequence.](image1)

Note: Connector must be fully seated on cable conductor.

- With an Allen hex key as specified in Table 2 screw in bolt No. 1 until it breaks off smoothly. Proceed with bolt No. 2 in a similar way. If the lug has more than two (2) bolts, continue with bolt No. 3 and bolt No. 4, (not shown in Figure 11). See Figure 11 for tightening sequences.
- Once all the bolts have broken off, smooth any rough edges with a file and install the covering caps. Carefully clean off any filings.
- Wipe excess inhibitor from connector and adapter surfaces.

Step 10.
Check dimensions

- Check length from end of compression connector to top of cable adapter.
- Length should be no longer than "E" dimension. (Refer to Figure 12 and Table 2.)

![Figure 12. Line illustration for dimensional check.](image2)

Install BOL-T T-body with mating parts

Step 11.
Install DT625 T-body

- Clean and lubricate outside of cable adapter with lubricant supplied.
- Clean and lubricate inside of T-body with lubricant supplied.

Note: If test point T-body is used, insure test point is opposite front plate side of T-body.

- Without moving the cable adapter, slide T-body onto cable adapter until compression connector eye is centered in 600 A interfaces. (Refer to Figure 13.)

Note: The end of the cable adapter must line up with the top edge of the tape marker after T-body assembly. Refer to Figure 10.

- Remove tape marker from cable.

![Figure 13. Line illustration of BOL-T T-body installation.](image3)

- Go to Step 12, page 12 to complete T-body termination.
Compression connector installation procedures

**Equipment provided**
- BOL-T Connector Assembly Kit including:
  - T-body
  - Cable Adapter
  - Insulating Plug with Cap
  - Compression Connector with 11/16" unthreaded spade
  - Silicone Lubricant
  - Threaded Stud
  - Instruction Sheets

**Tools required**
- Torque Wrench and 1” socket for BOL-T
- 5/16” Hex Wrench for Separable Splice Applications
- Cable Stripping Tools

**Cable preparation**

**Step 1**

**Train cable**
- Position cable vertically so that it is centered between apparatus bushing and parking pocket, parallel to, and 6’ (152 mm) from apparatus frontplate.
- Provide adequate cable slack for cable movement between standoff bushing and apparatus bushing.
- Support cable as needed to maintain position.
- Cut cable 1.75” (45 mm) from centerline of bushing. Refer to Figure 14.

**Table 3. Conductor Size and Type**

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Figure 14. Line illustration for cable training.
Step 2.
Remove concentric neutral wires or jacket
Note: Care should be taken to not cut or score the neutral conductors when cutting the cable jacket.

- Measure 12.75" (324 mm) from end of cable. Refer to Figure 15.
- For jacketed neutral cable, remove jacket to 12.75" dimension.
  - For unjacketed neutral cable, bind neutral wires using three (3) wraps of tape at 12.75" dimension.
- Pull back concentric neutral wires. Allow enough extra concentric neutral wires to connect to ground after installation and allow movement to insulated standoff bushing.

Step 3.
Remove insulation shield
- Remove insulation shield 9.75" (248 mm) from end of cable. Refer to Figure 16.
- Do not cut or nick insulation.

Step 4.
Put tape marker in place
- Measure 1" (25 mm) from end of insulation shield. (Refer to Figure 16.)
- Wrap two turns of tape to serve as marker for cable adapter location.

Step 5.
Remove conductor insulation
Note: Do not pencil cable.
- Remove insulation exposing bare conductor to length of 4.38" (111 mm). Refer to Figure 17.
  - Do not unwind conductor strands.

Step 6.
Bevel insulation
- Remove sharp edge of insulation by beveling at a 45° angle for approximately .25" (6 mm). (Refer to Figure 18.)

Figure 15. Line illustration of removing concentric neutral wires.

Figure 16. Line illustration of cable stripback.

Figure 17. Line illustration of bare conductor length.

Figure 18. Line illustration of insulation bevel.
Step 7.
Clean insulation
Note: Do not apply solvent directly to cable.
• Clean insulation thoroughly with solvent dampened rag, wiping from conductor end toward insulation shield. (Refer to Figure 19.)
• Ensure that all traces of conductive residue are removed.

Figure 19. Line illustration of insulation cleaning.

Step 8.
Lubricate and install cable adapter
• Lubricate exposed cable insulation.
• Lubricate inside of cable adapter.
• Slide small end of cable adapter over cable using twisting motion until small end is flush with tape marker. (Refer to Figure 20.)
• After sliding the cable adapter into position make sure that no bulge is present (see Figure 21).

Figure 20. Line illustration of insulation cable adapter.

Figure 21. Cross sectional view of cable adapter positioning.

WARNING
Equipment Damage/Personal Injury. Improperly positioned cable adapter may result in equipment damage or personal injury.
Step 9.
Install compression connector
Note: Refer to the chart supplied with the crimp connector for tool and die to be used.

- Wire brush conductor (aluminum only).
- Remove protective cap from compression connector.
- Insert conductor completely into compression connector and rotate connector to distribute inhibitor.

Note: Connector must be fully seated on cable conductor.

- Align flats of connector and apparatus bushing for minimum conductor strain.
- Make first crimp 1/2" (13 mm) below shoulder of compression connector. (Refer to Figure 22).
- Rotate each successive crimp 90° on compression connector and allow 1/8" (3 mm) between crimps.
- Wipe excess inhibitor from connector and adapter surfaces.

Step 10.
Check dimensions
- Check length from end of compression connector to top of cable adapter.
- Length should be between 6.50-7.25" (165 - 184 mm). (Refer to Figure 23.)

Figure 23. Line illustration for dimensional check.
Install BOL-T T-body with mating parts

Step 11.

Install DT625 T-body

- Clean and lubricate outside of cable adapter with lubricant supplied.

- Clean and lubricate inside of T-body with lubricant supplied.

**Note:** If test point T-body is used, insure test point is opposite front plate side of T-body.

- Without moving the cable adapter, slide T-body onto cable adapter until compression connector eye is centered in 600 A interfaces. (Refer to Figure 24.)

**Note:** The end of the cable adapter must line up with the top edge of the tape marker after T-body assembly. Refer to Figure 21.

- Remove tape marker from cable.

**Figure 24. Line illustration of BOL-T T-body installation.**

- Go to Step 12, page 12 to complete T-body termination.
Completing T-body termination

Step 12.
Install STUD into apparatus bushing

Note: Use only the symmetrical aluminum (STUD-A) or copper (STUD-C) stud in separable splice and BOL-T applications. Do not use the non-symmetrical extended length STUD-T.

- Ensure unit is de-energized.
- Thread the stud into the apparatus bushing unit hand tight. Refer to Figure 25.

Figure 25. Line illustration of bushing stud installation.

- Engage the flats on the stud with a 1/2" wrench and thread the stud into the bushing an additional 1/4 revolution past hand tight.
- Remove any shavings that may have been raised during the threading procedure.

Install BOL-T connector onto apparatus bushing

Step 13.
Install T-body onto apparatus bushing

- Clean and lubricate mating interfaces of apparatus bushing and T-body with lubricant supplied.
- Push T-body onto apparatus bushing ensuring that the stud on the bushing passes through the hole of the compression connector. See Figure 26.

Figure 26. Line illustration of BOL-T connector installation onto apparatus bushing.
Step 14.
Install insulating plug
- Clean and lubricate the mating interfaces of T-body and insulating plug.
- Insert insulating plug into back of T-body engaging the threads of the stud. See Figure 27.
- By hand, turning clockwise, thread insulating plug in as far as possible.
- Using a torque wrench and 1” socket complete threading clockwise until tight. Torque to 55 ft-lbs. See Figure 28.

Step 15.
Check tightness of termination
- Check tightness by hand by moving T-body forward and back (perpendicular to the apparatus frontplate). Do not move side to side as this may loosen the connection.
  - If tight:
    - Re-torque to 55 ft-lbs.
  - If loose:
    - Remove insulating plug and T-body from apparatus bushing.
    - Inspect threads of the stud and insulating plug for damage.
    - If damaged, replace damaged component and re-install per previous installation instructions.
    - If no damage is found, re-install per previous installation instructions.

Step 16.
Cap the insulating plug
- Clean and lubricate inner surface of insulating plug cap with lubricant supplied.
- Attach hotstick onto cap ring.
- Push cap onto insulating plug until it snaps into place. Refer to Figure 29.
Step 17.

Ground system

- Connect one concentric neutral wire to drain wire tab of the T-body or use a separate uninsulated copper wire (#14 AWG/2.5 mm). Refer to Figure 30.

Separable Splice Assembly Instructions

**Note:** Use only the symmetrical aluminum (STUD-A) or copper (STUD-C) stud in BOL-T separable splice applications. Do not use the copper alloy non-symmetrical extended length T-OP II (STUD-T) stud.

- Prepare the cables and install the cable adapters, unthreaded compression connectors, and T-bodies according to the instruction sheet included with the T-body (S600-46-2).

**Note:** Before any component is installed, clean and lubricate all mating interfaces using the supplied lubricant. (i.e. T-bodies, insulating plugs, connector plugs, and cable adapters.)

- Obtain first insulating plug, if a stud is not factory installed, hand thread a 5/8” stud into the insulating plug. Insert the insulating plug into the first T-body, lining up the hole in the compression connector with the 5/8” stud.

- Insert the connecting plug into the open interface of the first T-body and hand tighten to the 5/8” stud of the insulating plug.

- Secure the connecting plug by inserting a 5/16” hex style wrench (HD625, HD635CP, or customer supplied alternate) into the hex hole at the base of the connector plug threads. Use a torque wrench to tighten the connecting plug to 55 ft-lbs. Refer to Figure 31.

- Insert the interface of the connecting plug into the interface on the second T-body.

**Figure 30. Installation of the drain wire.**

**Figure 31. Separable splice assembly.**
- Repeat the previous assembly procedures for each additional splice tap. (Refer to Figure 32.)

- After the last connecting plug and T-body are installed, obtain the second insulating plug. If stud has not been factory installed, hand thread a 5/8” stud into the insulating plug.

- Install the second insulating plug, with stud, into the open interface of the last T-body. Hand thread the insulating plug into the connecting plug.

- Secure the first insulating plug using a 1” wrench. Using a 1” socket on a torque wrench, tighten the second insulating plug to 55 ft-lbs. (Refer to Figure 33.)

- Clean and lubricate the inner surface of two insulating plug caps with the lubricant supplied.

- Push the caps onto the insulating plugs until they snap into place.

- Connect one drain wire to the tie-off tab of each T-body and connect the other end to a common ground point.

**Note:** If splice is disassembled, all connecting plugs and insulating plugs should be completely removed, cleaned, regreased, and reassembled following the above procedure to ensure connection points are properly torqued.