

# 415 Volt House Service Cut-out Fuse Links to BS1361: 1971, Confirmed 1986.

**LAWSON Type "ME" and "MF"** fuse-links are for use in single or three phase house service cut-outs or similar installations.

The fuse-links comply with the requirements of the latest 1986 edition of BS1361 for Type II fuse-links including the amendment specifying pre-arcing limits to provide back-up protection for inadequately rated consumer unit protective devices. They also comply with UK Electricity Supply Industry Technical Specification 12-10: 1990, now also published as BS7657: 1993. In addition they meet the requirements of IEC269-3: 1987 and the latest draft of IEC 269-3-1 which together will form the basis of a future BS88: Part 3 and its European equivalent EN60269-3.

In complying with the requirements of BS1361 the fuse-links have time-current characteristics which meet the disconnection times specified in the latest 16th Edition of the IEE Wiring Regulations, now also published as BS7671: 1992.

To cater for increasing fault levels all fuse-links have been ASTA tested to 80kA at 0.15 p.f. rather than the standardized BS1361 requirement of 33kA at 0.3 p.f.

Energy efficiency in Type "ME" and "MF" fuse-links is enhanced by power dissipations substantially below the standardized limits. Not only are the temperature rises lowered in adjacent equipment, thus reducing the risk of contact or joint deterioration and prolonging the life of the installation, but energy consumption is also lowered through a reduction in wasteful watts losses and in addition an economic benefit is obtained from the smaller costs of kWh and max. demand charges.

In addition to the preferred current ratings specified in BS1361, lower current ratings are available in both Type IIa and Type IIb.

The fuse-links meet electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) requirements, since they are not sensitive to normal electromagnetic disturbances and any significant electromagnetic disturbance generated by the fuse-links themselves is limited to the instant of operation and its level is controlled by the requirements of BS1361 and the other applicable standards.

The range has a rated voltage of 415V a.c. and has been certified at a test recovery voltage of at least 110%. The fuse-links are therefore suitable for use on systems with voltages up to 457V a.c. The rated and test voltages also ensure that the range meets all the transitional voltage requirements specified during the stages leading to a harmonized European nominal three phase voltage of 400V a.c.

Fuse-links from this range have been approved by leading authorities including Lloyds Register of Shipping and many Electricity Supply Authorities

The fuse-links are independently ASTA Certified to the rules of the 1989 Edition of the ASTA 20 Scheme, under which they are Authorised to bear the endorsement "ASTA 20 CERT" where applicable.

## Lawson Fuses Limited is Independently Approved to BS5750, ISO9000 and EN29000

#### **Specification**

Rated Voltage: 415V a.c. Fusing Factor: Not exceeding 1.5 (Class Q1)
Rated Breaking Capacities: 33kA at 0.3 p.f. (tested at 80kA at 0.15 p.f.)

### **Current Ratings and Principal Dimensions**

BS1361 Currer		t List	Principal Dimensions			
Type	Rating (A)	Reference	mm	in	mm D	
Па	5 10 15 20 25 30 40 45 50 60* 80*	ME5 ME10 ME15 ME20 ME25 ME30 ME40 ME45 ME50 ME60 ME80	57	21/4	22.23	<sup>7</sup> /8
IIb	30 40 50 60 80* 100*	MF30 MF40 MF50 MF60 MF80 MF100	57	21/4	30.16	1 <sup>3</sup> /16

\*BS1361: 1971 preferred current rating

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